

Data Alliance Partnership Sub Board Meeting Date: 13 September 2022

Title: ISB1594: Information Sharing to Tackle Violence Minimum Dataset retirement

Action requested:

Approval is requested to deprecate the Information Sharing to Tackle Violence (ISTV) Minimum Dataset from 1st April 2023 and retire it from 1st April 2024.

Executive Summary:

Purpose:

ISTV comprises a small de-identified dataset collected by Accident and Emergency (A&E) departments and shared with local Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) on a monthly basis.

Reason for retirement:

The standard is no longer required as ECDS v3.0 introduced all current ISTV data items on a pilot basis to allow required analysis. Following a successful pilot ECDS v4.0 will fully implement the ISTV data items, with a mandate of "required". Barts Health NHS Trust was selected by NHS Digital to be a pilot site for the ECDS free text field 'Assault location description'. The pilot successfully demonstrated that the required free text data could be collected locally by clinicians, stored locally in the Trust's IT system, and flowed safely within ECDS to NHS Digital. A before-and-after assessment of the 'Assault location description' data quality showed that useful information increased threefold.

Timeline:

The intention, subject to ECDS v4.0 approval in September 2022, is that ISTV data be collected via ECDS v4.0 from 1 April 2023, dual running with the ISTV collection until its retirement on 1 April 2024.

Maintaining data flows:

Please see document "[ECDS Violent Injuries Subset data flow plan](#)" which goes into detail of the data flows.

Reducing risk associated with free text data:

As the data set (similar to other data sets) contains free text fields, safeguards are in place to ensure data shared is unidentifiable. NHSE are in the process of employing someone to review the data before it is widely shared to reduce the risk of sensitive information being disseminated.

Engagement:

Engagement has occurred with NHSE, suppliers and providers, through several webinars and an online survey, including the owner of the ISTV standard. All parties have approved the planned retirement of the ISTV standard. When the standard was assured in 2012 it was considered a local collection so no burden assessment was carried out.

Supporting information links:

Additional information is available at:

[ISB1594: Information Sharing to Tackle Violence Minimum Dataset - NHS Digital](#)