

Information Standards Notice – New

Acting under delegated authority from the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, the Data Alliance Partnership Board (DAPB) has approved a new information standard for publication under section 250 of the Health and Social Act 2012.

You must comply with this new standard by the full conformance date specified below.

Standard details	
DAPB unique identifier	DAPB4004 Amd 20/2021
Name	Global Medical Device Nomenclature (GMDN) Initial Standard
Approval date	26 January 2023
Publication date	9 February 2023
Standard definition	
Description	The Global Medical Device Nomenclature (GMDN) provides a generic system to identify medical device products used to diagnose, monitor, treat and prevent disease or injury. It provides a generic or common name for devices. The system allows sharing of data on medical device use, supporting patient safety. GMDN is a global standard, independent of manufacturer proprietary name or identifier. It is already used widely across the NHS.
Scope (Health and Social Care Act 2012)	Health Services, NHS Services, Adult Social Care
Applies to	Health authorities and regulators, health care providers, manufacturers and others with a naming system that can be used to exchange medical device information and support patient safety.
Impacts upon	Implementation of this information standard impacts all health IT systems suppliers providing systems to the above providers; suppliers should work with their customers to determine necessary changes. NHS Staff within organisations using devices in scope will be able to use the GMDN in their data systems to better identify, name, and group medical devices.
Legal authority	This information standard is published under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012. This information standard is being progressed as non-mandatory with endorsement from the MHRA. There is no flow of data collected for the standard. No legal direction is required.

Link to further documentation	The Requirements Specification and Implementation Guidance are available on the NHS Digital website: www.digital.nhs.uk/isce/publication/dapb4004 Further guidance is published by the GMDN Agency: https://www.gmdnagency.org
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Dates	
Implementation date	15 February 2023
Full conformance date	31 December 2023
Post Implementation Review date	31 December 2024

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