

## Information Standards Notice – Retirement

Acting under delegated authority from the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, the Data Alliance Partnership Board (DAPB) has approved the retirement of an existing information standard that was published under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

Enquiries about this retirement should be directed to the contact specified below.

Standard	
Standard number	DAPB4017
Standard title	Pathology Test and Results Standard
Details	
Date of retirement:	1 November 2023
Description	<p>The Pathology Test and Results Standard was published in August 2021. It has become apparent that various aspects of the standard make implementation extremely challenging.</p> <p>Following internal review, the Pathology Standards and Implementation team have decided to retire the standard. This will be done in tandem with deprecating the legacy ISB 1557 EDIFACT Pathology Messaging Standard (Amd 39/2003 EDIFACT v1.003) and development of a new FHIR/SNOMED-based information standard to support the new <a href="#">Pathology Messaging – FHIR API</a>, scheduled for publication in March 2024, post successful implementation of a first of type data flow pilot.</p> <p>This retirement formally withdraws the following Information Standards Notice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">DAPB4017 Amd 44/2020</a></li> </ul>
Link to further information	A copy of this ISN is available on the NHS England website: <a href="https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/information-standards/information-standards-and-data-collections-">https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/information-standards/information-standards-and-data-collections-</a>

	<a href="#">including-extractions/publications-and-notifications/standards-and-collections/dapb4017-pathology-test-and-results-standard</a>
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