

MCDS Information Update – December 2015

Maintenance of Data Set Standards:

Maternity Services Data Set (MSDS)

The MSDS Information Standards Notice (ISN) was published on 13th May 2014 to mandate the national flow of the data set; this is available [here](#). A corrigendum which makes some minor corrections to the original ISN is also available on the [Standardisation Committee for Care Information \(SCCI\) web pages](#). The 12 month implementation period has now been completed and providers have started submitting monthly files from June 2015.

Submissions are made in an XML format. The XML schema has been developed along with a conversion tool, which will enable providers to load or copy their data into the provided table structure. Once populated, the tool is able to export the data in the required XML format, ready for submission to the Bureau Service Portal. The conversion tool pack for the MSDS is available on request through the HSCIC Contact Centre, please email enquiries@hscic.gov.uk using the subject 'MSDS Conversion Tool Pack'. The associated XML schema is currently available via the HSCIC [Maternity and Children's Data Set web page](#). The Conversion Tool has received some minor updates in the last month, so providers who received the tool some time ago may wish to request the latest version for completeness which is currently version 2.4.

If you are not yet submitting data you will need to register to use the submission portal and supply a data user certificate (DUC) form, which you can find on our website [here](#), under 'Download the Maternity Dataset Data User Certificate'. Any queries regarding this should be sent to the Exeter Helpdesk via exeter.helpdesk@hscic.gov.uk.

Recent Updates:

As this is a new collection and a new dataset, as might be expected we have found some issues which may incorrectly cause data not to flow when submitted to the portal, this is a result of the validations in place which require amending to ensure good quality data.

A number of patch updates have now been applied in the form of bug fixes to the system highlighted following the first submission process. These updates were delivered into the production environment on the 1st October 2015, as part of the Maternity Data Set Release 2. This release included a number of known issues that required fixes, and also included functionality for the delivery of the National and Provider Extracts. This list is currently documented and available on the [Maternity Services Data Set web page](#) under 'Additional Current BSP Functionality to the Baselined Specification'. Please note that these updates are continually being added to and addressed, and will be updated on this document accordingly.

Planning is commencing on the development and delivery of Release 3, and further information will also be available via these web pages shortly.

We thank you for your support and patience during this early phase, and look forward to your continued support in developing the long awaited national Maternity Services Data Set.

Should you require any further information please contact us at enquiries@hscic.gov.uk with MSDS (Maternity Services Data Set) in the subject heading.

Future Developments:

Following the go live of the MSDS on 1st June 2015 and a number of recent stakeholder events, we will shortly begin collating requirements for the next version of the MSDS.

You can contribute to this by contacting us with any future requirements you would like to include or anything you wish to raise.

Please contact us at the above email address as previously stated.

Webpage updates:

The [Maternity and children's data set frequently asked questions \(FAQs\)](#) have been updated and specific MSDS FAQs have now been added alongside these under 'Guidance' on the [web page](#). The list of current patch updates are also included on the maternity web page as outlined above. We are currently working to version 1.8.13 of the Maternity Technical Output Specification, we have also provided version 1.8.14 of the Maternity Technical Output Specification on the [web page](#) under 'Planned Future Technical Output Specification(s)', which is the future draft version scheduled for the next release.

We have recently updated the [Maternity and Children's Data Set web page](#) to include the XML schemas, both for commissioner extracts, pre-deadline and post-deadline extracts accordingly.

Children and Young People's Health Services (CYPHS) data set

Following acceptance by the Standardisation Committee for Care Information (SCCI), an updated Information Standards Notice (ISN) was approved by NHS England on 21st April 2015 for mandation of central flow of CYPHS data, and published under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012. The ISN provides an overview of the CYPHS data set requirements, and can be found on the [SCCI web pages](#) along with other published documents.

Recent Updates:

An error was identified close to the planned go-live date on 5th October 2015 resulting in the CYPHS data set go-live date being changed to 15th October 2015. The CYPHS submission window successfully opened on 15/10/2015 to accept September(Primary) data and closed on the midnight of 13/11/2015.

The CYPHS submission window schedule is as follows:

MONTH	Submission Window Opens 00:00:00 of:	Submission Window Closes 23:59:59 of:	
September (P)	15/10/2015	13/11/2015	Window closed
September (R) & October (P)	23/11/2015	11/12/2015	Window closed
October (R) & November (P)	18/12/2015	15/01/2016	

A full timetable for CYPHS submissions can be found at:

<http://www.hscic.gov.uk/maternityandchildren/CYPHS>

Primary & Refresh Submission Concept:

Data is submitted on a monthly basis with each submission containing all the relevant activity for the reporting period. Two types of submission are possible, a primary (P) and a refresh (R).

A primary is the first submission of data for the current collection period. A primary submission must be undertaken. A refresh is optional if a requirement exists to update already submitted data, such as to include improved data quality or additional data not available at the time of the primary submission.

A refresh is a **resubmission** of the previous period data. If a Refresh type file is successfully submitted, it should contain the the most up-to-date records available for that reporting period. A successful refresh submission will be treated as the last good file for that reporting period and used for reporting.

The HSCIC report on submissions received from CYPHS Provider on a monthly basis. **All providers are expected to submit a primary file.** The DQ report will omit any providers not making a Primary submission. A refresh submission is **optional** if a requirement exists to update already submitted data, such as to include improved data quality or additional data not available at the time of the primary submission.

We recommend you consult the CYPHS web page [here](#) for further important information.

Children and Young People's Health Services Data Set (CYPHS) Information Standards Notice Conformance Questionnaire

The CYPHS conformance questionnaire has been sent out to providers and system suppliers. The return date for completion of the questionnaire was 7th September 2015. The analysis is currently being undertaken on all those completed and returned questionnaires.

Completion of this questionnaire is one of the key conformance criteria for the adoption of this Information Standard and is therefore a mandatory requirement. If you feel that you should have received this and haven't, please contact our enquiries mailbox at the following address: enquiries@hscic.gov.uk

Webpage updates:

The CYPHS web page has recently been updated. Further updated information has been included within the CYPHS User Guidance document, along with new information which has been added around submissions, and a new version has been developed which providers can use to upload files. The system will apply file level rejection functionality and will enable providers to undertake reconciliation of data within the file. This version will also enable data to flow much more quickly. We will also be adding further specific CYPHS FAQs to the web site in the near future. The CYPHS conversion tool pack has recently been amended to address two error messages, the current version is now v1.83. The conversion tool pack is currently available on request, please email enquiries@hscic.gov.uk with the subject of 'CYPHS XML Conversion Tool'. Please refer to the information on the CYPHS webpage for all additional information.

The associated XML schema is available on the [NHS Data Model and Dictionary website](#).

Community Information Data Set (CIDS)

There is currently no central flow of patient level adult Community activity received by the HSCIC. However, community care providers have been required to capture and produce local extracts of the Community Information Data Set (CIDS) since 1st April 2012.

Following recommendation by the Standardisation Committee for Care Information (SCCI), an updated information standard has been approved by NHS England and was published on 19th August 2015. This ISN updates CIDS in line with the Children and Young People's Health Services (CYPHS) data set so that the two share the same structure and data items and can be found on the [SCCI web pages](#) along with other published documents.

The current proposed implementation dates for the standard are as follows:

System Suppliers

From 1st September 2015, community systems should be adapted to enable full conformance no later than 1st March 2016.

Care Providers

From 1st September 2015, providers of NHS-funded community services should start recording data in line with the changes and should be fully conformant no later than 1st March 2016.

This interim ISN modifies the local collection only as defined in the original ISN and does not mandate the central flow of CIDS data.

The central flow of adult community data is now unlikely to take place before 2016. The intention is that the CIDS Information Standard will be retired, and the scope of the CYPHS

data set expanded to include adult data (hence the need to keep the data sets in step). Once we have further information on timescales for the implementation of the new Community Services Data Set (CSDS) we will make this information available both via various communications and on our webpages in due course.

Recent and Upcoming Events:

MSDS

Two maternity events were held in both Leeds and London in June 2015. Presentation slides are available on the MCDS [web page](#).

Three further maternity events are currently planned to take place as follows:

Skipton House, London – Friday 22nd January 2016.
Trevelyan Square, Leeds – Thursday 28th January 2016.
Redditch, location TBC – Monday 1st February.

Further details will be communicated in early January 2016.

CYPHS data set

A CYPHS data set event took place in London on 25th March 2015, and a further event was held in Leeds on 2nd April 2015. Presentation slides have been sent out following the event, and are available to other stakeholders on request.

Recent events have taken place on 21st October 2015 in Leeds and 28th October 2015 in London. We will shortly be sending out some further communications outlining actions and issues brought up during both events. We will also be including all the presentation slides on our webpages accordingly. Please email cmhteam.support@hscic.gov.uk to be added on to the mailing list or for more information.

Other News

Please see the [Mental Health Information Update](#) for news and developments around the mental health and learning disability data collection, including MHLDDS and IAPT.

We have included two new documents within the Guidance Documents section on both the Maternity and CYPHS webpages. These documents outline a list of documented change requests, intended to provide a high-level summary of the requested changes currently in development or under consideration for the CYPHS and Maternity Data Sets respectively.

We have recently produced a Patient Information leaflet for both the CYPHS and Mental Health Services Datasets. This leaflet is intended to be used to inform providers about how their information is used where consent is given.

This information will be included on each respective webpage shortly, and will also be included within the January 2016 Information Update accordingly.

Contact Us

These information updates are sent out on a monthly basis. If you or others you know wish to receive these please register for our distribution list via email to our enquiries team.

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HSCIC Website: <http://www.hscic.gov.uk>

MCDS pages: <http://www.hscic.gov.uk/maternityandchildren>