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Glossary of terms

Term	Definition
Acute hospital	<p>Acute hospitals provide a wide range of specialist care and treatment for patients. Services offered in acute hospitals include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consultation with specialist clinicians (consultants, nurses, dieticians, physiotherapists and a wide range of other professionals) • emergency treatment following accidents • routine, complex and life-saving surgery • specialist diagnostic, therapeutic and palliative procedures <p>www.nrls.npsa.nhs.uk/resources/healthcare-setting/acute-hospital</p>
Advance care planning (ACP)	<p>A voluntary process of discussion and review to help an individual who has capacity to anticipate how their condition may affect them in the future and, if they wish, set on record choices or decisions relating to their care and treatment so that these can then be referred to by their carers (whether professional or family carers) in the event that they lose capacity to decide once their illness progresses.</p> <p>Under the terms of the Mental Capacity Act 2005 formalised outcomes of advance care planning might include one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advance statements to inform subsequent best interests decisions • advance decisions to refuse treatment which are legally binding if valid and applicable to the circumstances at hand • appointment of Lasting Powers of Attorney ('health and welfare' and/or 'property and affairs') <p>Sources</p> <p>Capacity, care planning and advance care planning in life limiting illness. A Guide for Health and Social Care Staff NHS Improving Quality (2014)</p> <p>Mental Capacity Act 2005</p> <p>Mental Capacity Act 2005 Code of Practice. Ministry of Justice 2007</p>

Term	Definition
<p>Advance decision to refuse treatment (ADRT)</p>	<p>An advance decision to refuse treatment (ADRT) is a decision to refuse a specific treatment made in advance by a person who has capacity to do so. This decision only applies at a future time when that person lacks capacity to consent to, or refuse, the specified treatment. This is set out in section 24 of the Mental Capacity Act. Specific rules apply to advance decisions to refuse life-sustaining treatment.</p> <p>An advance decision to refuse treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can be made only by someone over the age of 18 who has mental capacity • is a decision relating to refusal of specific treatment and may also include specific circumstances • can be verbal, but if an advance decision includes refusal of life sustaining treatment, it must be in writing, signed and witnessed and include the statement ‘even if life is at risk’ • will only come into effect if the individual loses capacity • only comes into effect if the treatment and any circumstances are those specifically identified in the advance decision • is legally binding if valid and applicable to the circumstances • can be overridden by the Mental Health Act, but only for psychiatric treatment <p>Sources</p> <p>Capacity, care planning and advance care planning in life limiting illness. A Guide for Health and Social Care Staff (NHS Improving Quality 2014)</p> <p>Mental Capacity Act 2005</p> <p>Mental Capacity Act 2005 Code of Practice. Ministry of Justice 2007.</p> <p>Advance decisions to refuse treatment NCoLCP (2013)</p>

Term	Definition
Advance statement	<p>This is a written statement (either written down by the person themselves or written down for them with their agreement) the person might make before losing capacity (Mental Capacity Act Code of Practice 2007, P291) about their wishes and feelings regarding issues they wish to be considered in the case of future loss of capacity due to illness, such as the type of medical treatment they would want or not want, where they would prefer to live or how they wish to be cared for.</p> <p>Advance statements should be used to help find out what somebody's wishes and feelings might be, as part of working out their best interests when they have lost capacity to decide. They are not the same as advance decisions to refuse treatment and are not binding.</p> <p>Sources</p> <p>Capacity, care planning and advance care planning in life limiting illness. A Guide for Health and Social Care Staff NHS Improving Quality (2014)</p> <p>Mental Capacity Act 2005</p>
Best interests	<p>Under the Mental Capacity Act 2005, any decision made or any action done for or on behalf of a person who lacks capacity must be done or made in their best interests. Decision makers must take into account all relevant factors that would be reasonable to consider. Section 5.13 of the Mental Capacity Act Code of Practice sets out a non-exhaustive check list of common factors that must always be considered when trying to work out someone's best interests.</p> <p>Reference</p> <p>Mental Capacity Act (2005) Code of Practice. Ministry of Justice 2007</p>

Term	Definition
<p>Cardiopulmonary resuscitation decisions</p>	<p>Cardiopulmonary resuscitation</p> <p>Emergency treatment that supports the circulation of blood and/or air in the event of a respiratory and/or cardiac arrest.</p> <p>Cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision</p> <p>A clinical opinion, for or against an attempt at cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Such decisions only apply to attempts to restore circulation or breathing. They do not decide the suitability of any other type of treatment, and never prevent the administration of basic comfort and healthcare needs.</p> <p>Do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation (DNACPR) decision</p> <p>Only covers views about withholding attempts at cardiopulmonary resuscitation in the event of a future arrest. It is made by the clinician responsible for care. This decision can also be made by the person themselves as part of ADRT.</p> <p>Sources</p> <p>Decisions relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Guidance from the British Medical Association, the Resuscitation Council (UK) and the Royal College of Nursing (2014)</p> <p>Quality standards for cardiopulmonary resuscitation practice and training. Resuscitation Council (2013)</p> <p>Deciding right - a north east initiative for making care decisions in advance. Northern England Strategic Clinical Networks. (2014)</p>
<p>Carer</p>	<p>A carer is a person who is either providing or intending to provide a substantial amount of unpaid care on a regular basis for someone who is disabled, ill or frail. A carer is usually a family member, friend or neighbour and does not include care workers. (Carers (Recognition and Services) Act 1995.)</p> <p>Note: the main carer will be identified by the individual or the person's GP or key worker if the person lacks capacity to identify one themselves.</p>
<p>Care workers</p>	<p>A care worker is employed to support and supervise vulnerable, infirm or disadvantaged people, or those under the care of the state. They can be volunteers who provide care as part of their work for the voluntary organisation or paid workers who are providing care by virtue of a contract of employment or any other contract.</p>

Term	Definition
Community hospital	The community hospital is a service that offers integrated health and social care and is supported by community-based professionals (Meads, G. Participate. University of Warwick, 2004).
Core content	The data and information that is recommended to be collected and held in electronic palliative care co-ordination systems for all people receiving palliative and end of life care.
Disability	Functional or cognitive impairments that affect a person's ability in communication, understanding, decision making or self-care.
End of life	<p>The General Medical Council defines people as 'approaching the end of life' as those likely to die within the next 12 months. This includes individuals whose death is imminent (expected within a few hours or days), those with advanced, progressive, incurable conditions, general frailty and co-existing conditions that mean people are expected, to die within 12 months, existing conditions if people are at risk of dying from a sudden acute crisis in their condition and life-threatening acute conditions caused by sudden catastrophic events.</p> <p>Source</p> <p>Treatment and care towards the end of life: good practice in decision making. General Medical Council. (2010)</p>
End of life care (EoLC)	<p>Care that helps all those with advanced, progressive and terminal conditions to live as well as possible until they die. It enables the supportive and palliative care needs of both the individual and family to be identified and met through the last phase of life and into bereavement. It includes the physical care, management of pain and other symptoms and provision of psychological, social care, spiritual and practical support.</p> <p>Source</p> <p>End of life care strategy: promoting high quality care for adults at the end of their life. Department of Health (2008)</p>
End of life care diagnosis	<p>Primary diagnosis: The diagnosis that is main contributing factor to the need for end of life care</p> <p>Other relevant diagnoses and clinical problems: relevant diagnoses and medical problems that need to be taken into account when making end of life decisions.</p>
End of life care tools	Tools that health and social care professionals use to support provision of the best possible care for people who are nearing the end of their life.

Term	Definition
Electronic Palliative Care Co-ordination Systems (EPaCCS)	Electronic systems linking care providers across a locality. By holding key information, centred on a core data set, for individuals who have been identified as approaching the end of life, the EPaCCS enables co-ordination of care for these people, and their families and carers.
Frailty	<p>Frailty is a distinct health state related to the ageing process in which multiple body systems gradually lose their in-built reserves. Around 10% of people aged over 65 years have frailty, rising to between a quarter and a half of those aged over 85 years. Older people living with frailty are at risk of adverse outcomes such as dramatic changes in their physical and mental wellbeing after an apparently minor event which challenges their health, such as an infection or new medication.</p> <p>Source Fit for Frailty - consensus best practice guidance for the care of older people living in community and outpatient settings – a report from the British Geriatrics Society 2014.</p>
Gold Standards Framework (GSF)	<p>A recommended EoLC tool developed originally for use in primary care; it can also be used in care homes. It helps to identify people who are approaching the end of life, assess their needs and preferences, plan care and communicate across agencies.</p> <p>www.goldstandardsframework.org.uk</p>
Hospice	Hospice includes NHS and voluntary specialist palliative care inpatient beds, including those located in NHS hospitals and on NHS hospital grounds.
Just-in-case box/anticipatory medicines	Anticipatory prescribing of medicines commonly prescribed in palliative care with a 'just in case box' placed in the person's home, providing rapid access to these medications if required during the terminal phase of a person's illness.
Key worker	A key worker is a care professional who takes a key role in co-ordinating the care of the patient and promoting continuity, ensuring the patient knows who to access for information and advice.

Term	Definition
<p>Lasting Powers of Attorney (LPA)</p>	<p>There are two different types of LPA:</p> <p>A property and financial affairs LPA: this replaces the previous Enduring Power of Attorney and does not have power to make health decisions. Please note Enduring Powers of Attorney were replaced by Lasting Powers of Attorney but may still be used if made and signed before October 2007.</p> <p>A personal welfare LPA: must be made while the individual has capacity, but only becomes active when the individual lacks capacity to make the required decision.</p> <p>The LPA must act according to the principles of best interests. Can be extended to life-sustaining treatment decisions (personal welfare LPA including health), but this must be expressly contained in the original application. A personal welfare LPA (PW-LPA) only supersedes an ADRT if the PW-LPA was appointed after the ADRT was made, and if the conditions of the PW-LPA cover the same issues as in the ADRT.</p> <p>Sources</p> <p>Mental Capacity Act 2005</p> <p>Mental Capacity Act 2005 Code of Practice. Ministry of Justice 2007</p> <p>Deciding right - a north east initiative for making care decisions in advance. Northern England Strategic Clinical Network (2012)</p>
<p>Lead clinician</p>	<p>The most senior clinical decision maker responsible for the person. This could be a consultant, GP or nurse consultant. In some situations, there may be more than one lead clinician, each for a different discipline, eg a lead specialist palliative care physician, lead medical oncologist, lead geriatrician.</p>

Term	Definition
Mental capacity	<p>Mental capacity is the ability to make a decision. An assessment of a person's capacity must be based on their ability to make a specific decision at the time it needs to be made, and not their ability to make decisions in general. Under the Mental Capacity Act 2005 (England and Wales), anyone assessing someone's capacity to make a decision for themselves should use the two-stage test of capacity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • does the person have an impairment of the mind or brain, or is there some sort of disturbance affecting the way their mind or brain works? (It doesn't matter whether the impairment or disturbance is temporary or permanent.) • if so, does that impairment or disturbance mean that the person is unable to make the decision in question at the time it needs to be made? <p>Reference: Mental Capacity Act 2005 Code of Practice. Ministry of Justice 2007.</p>
Palliative care co-ordination Previously called end of life care co-ordination	<p>A means of sharing information, using electronic or paper based systems, about an individual's preferences and choices for care at the end of life between those caring for the person in order to improve communication, co-ordination and quality of their care.</p>
Preferred priorities for care (PPC)	<p>The PPC is an EoLC tool which essentially serves three purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it facilitates discussion(s) around end of life care wishes and preferences • the PPC can enable communication for care planning and decisions across care providers <p>Should the person lose capacity to make a decision about issues discussed, a previously completed PPC acts as an advance statement. This means that the information included within the PPC can be used as part of an assessment of a person's best interests when making decisions about their care.</p> <p>Source Preferred Priorities for Care NEoLCP (2011).</p>
Prognosis (end of life)	<p>Judgement about the likely outcome of a health condition or situation. Note: regarding end of life care, awareness of the prognosis is taken to mean awareness that the life span is limited.</p>

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Overview

People approaching the end of their lives often require care supported by a combination of health and social care services which are often provided by a wide range of professional and staff groups as well as by family and other carers. There is a need for service availability 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The information standard implemented through EPaCCS provides a means to provide accurate, consistent and timely information about people's preferences and wishes for their care at the end of life to those caring for them, so improving communication and co-ordination of care between professional teams. The aim is to improve the quality of care and to enable more people to die in the place of their choosing and with their preferred care package.

This document details the requirements, structures and definitions for the national information standard Palliative care co-ordination: core content (SCC11580). The standard identifies and specifies the core content to be held in Electronic Palliative Care Co-ordination Systems (EPaCCS) or any systems which store information relating to palliative and end of life care plans or preferences.

When implemented in systems the standard must support the following requirements:

- I. **Identification of people's wishes and preferences.** The core content supports staff in having structured conversations with people approaching the end of their life, to identify their preferences and wishes for care and place of death.
- II. **Inform staff caring for people approaching the end of life and their families and carers, of the decisions that have been made about end of life care preferences, choices and the plans that are in place.** This includes cardiopulmonary resuscitation decisions, and appointment of a Lasting Power of Attorney.
- III. **Co-ordinate individual care using patient data that includes end of life care decisions and preferences.** The core content is used by the person, family and other carers and a wide range of professional staff to guide them in delivery of appropriate care, ensuring that end of life care decisions and preferences are taken into account.

1.1 Summary

Standard	
Standard number	SCCI1580
Standard title	Previously: End of life care co-ordination: core content Now: Palliative care co-ordination: core content
Description	<p>Improving the co-ordination and quality of care provided for people at the end of life is a priority for NHS England. The information standard specifies the core content to be held in EPaCCS and supports NHS England's objective to increase the use of technology to help people manage their health and care.</p> <p>Palliative and end of life care is often delivered by a range of professional groups across care settings and sectors including out-of-hours doctors and ambulance services.</p> <p>Approaches to communication between providers of end of life care vary and depend on local service and system configuration. EPaCCS offers an approach to manage the sharing of palliative care information (with the person's consent) with the professionals caring for the individual and so help providers better manage communication and co-ordination of patient care. The core content includes palliative and end of life care decisions and preferences and the standard supports accurate and consistent recording of this information. Timely access to reliable and up to date information through EPaCCS will support people to die in the place of their choosing and with their preferred care package.</p>
Applies to	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Commissioners, planners and implementers of EPaCCS as a means of improving end of life care provision and supporting choice. 2. Service providers providing care for adults (those aged 18 years and older) at the end of their life: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • service providers include: primary, secondary and community care teams, social care providers, ambulance services and out of hours services • may also include pharmacies, voluntary sector, and private sector 3. Suppliers of care co-ordination systems (including EPaCCS and other systems that contribute to, or hold information that relates to, care co-ordination for adults at the end of their life) to those providers and commissioners.

Release	
Release number	Amd 11/2015
Release title	Version 4.0
Description	<p>This amendment comprises:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Change of title of the information standard The title of the information standard has been changed to Palliative care co-ordination: core content to improve clarity that EPaCCS records are to be used for people who receive palliative care and not just for those in the last weeks/days of life. The name change also aligns with EPaCCS and the proposed palliative care clinical data set. 2. Coding updates Updating this document with the new codes which were not available at time of publication of Amd16/2013 but have subsequently been published April 2014: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • disability • functional status • is main carer aware of person's prognosis? 3. Correction Correction of minor printing error for data item recording functional status. 4. New data items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • new data item to record NHS number status indicator code • new data item to record the likely prognosis • new data item to record awareness of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision 5. Amendment to current data items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • change of terminology for main informal and formal carers to main carer and care worker • the term do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation (DNACPR) decision has been replaced with cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision. This applies to the data items: DNACPR decision made, date of DNACPR decision, date for review of DNACPR decision and location of DNACPR documentation • the terminology 'not aware of do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision' has been moved from 'DNACPR decision made' to the new data item

	<p>‘awareness of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision’ together with a new note to improve clarity of the term</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • amended categories for preferred place of death and actual place of death • the summary table of data items has been aligned with the headings recommended in the standards for the clinical structure and content of patient records published by Academy of Medical Royal Colleges (AoMRC). July 2013 • data entry status for data item: NHS number has been changed from required to mandatory, Section 10.3 of implementation guidance provides guidance • removal of ‘on integrated care pathway’ from data item: EoLC tool in use • NHS data model and dictionary terminology has been updated for gender. ‘person gender code current’ has been replaced with ‘person stated gender’ • a note has been added to inform of the timescales for withdrawal of maintenance for Read terminology • the definitions for key worker and carer have been changed to align with new NHS data model and dictionary definitions <p>6. Updating of guidance documents and other changes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the supporting guidance documents, Palliative care co-ordination record keeping guidance and implementation guidance have been updated • minor changes have been made to the guidance on consent that is provided in the Palliative care co-ordination implementation and record keeping guidance • a new recommendation has been made that EPaCCS systems should include reporting functionality • risks and issues have been added to the Palliative care co-ordination implementation guidance • the ordering and numbering of the data items has been changed • the glossary has been updated
Conformance date	1 March 2016

1.2 Related and supporting documents

Ref no	Doc Reference Number	Title	Dated
[1]	Gateway reference 9840	Department of Health End of Life Care Strategy: Promoting high quality care for all adults at the end of life www.gov.uk/government/publications/end-of-life-care-strategy-promoting-high-quality-care-for-adults-at-the-end-of-their-life	July 2008
[2]		Ipsos MORI. End of Life Locality Registers evaluation Final Report. www.nhs.uk/resource-search/publications/eolc-locality-registers-evaluation.aspx	June 2011
[3]		SCCI1580 Palliative care co-ordination: core content Implementation guidance www.hscic.gov.uk/isce/publication/scci1580	Sept 2015
[4]		Clinical Safety Report www.hscic.gov.uk/isce/publication/scci1580	Sept 2015
[5]		SCCI1580 Palliative care co-ordination: core content Record keeping guidance www.endoflifecare-intelligence.org.uk/resources/publications/record_keeping_guidance	Sept 2015
[6]		Common User Interface design guides www.systems.hscic.gov.uk/data/cui/uig	
[7]		ISB Information Governance baselines www.isb.nhs.uk/use/baselines/ig	
[8]		SCG Guidance on the Representation of Allergies and Adverse Reaction Information Using NHS Message Templates http://systems.hscic.gov.uk/data/scg/scg0001.pdf	April 2008
[9]		Electronic Palliative Care Co-ordination Systems (EPaCCS) Mid 2012 survey report www.nhs.uk/resource-search/publications/eolc-epaccs-mid-2012-report.aspx	February 2013
[10]		EPaCCS information governance guidance www.systems.hscic.gov.uk/qipp/library/epaccsig.pdf	March 2013

Ref no	Doc Reference Number	Title	Dated
[11]		Economic Evaluation of the Electronic Palliative Care Co-ordination System (EPaCCS) early implementer sites www.nhs.uk/news-events/news/economic-evaluation-of-the-epacccs-early-implementer-sites.aspx	April 2013
[12]		EPaCCS recommended it system requirements http://systems.hscic.gov.uk/qipp/library/epacccsreq.pdf	August 2015
[13]		EPaCCS making the case for change. national end of life care programme www.nhs.uk/resource-search/publications/eolc-epacccs-case-for-change.aspx	November 2012
[14]		Care co-ordination interoperability http://developer.nhs.uk/library/interoperability/care-co-ordination-interoperability/	Accessed June 2015
[15]		Information sharing patterns summary http://developer.nhs.uk/library/architecture/integration-patterns/information-sharing-patterns-summary/	Accessed June 2015

1.3 Related Standards

Reference	Title
ISB 1500 to 1507	Common User Interface standards for entry and/or display of: patient name, address, telephone number, sex and gender, NHS number; date; time; patient banner
ISB 0129	Clinical Risk Management: its Application in the Manufacture of Health IT Systems
ISB 0160	Clinical Risk Management: its Application in the Deployment and Use of Health IT Systems
ISB 0149-02	NHS number for secondary care
ISB 0149-01	NHS number for general practice
ISB 1552 & 1553	Read Codes
ISB 0034	SNOMED CT

Reference	Title
ISO/IEC 27001:2005	Information technology – security techniques – information security management systems – requirements www.iso.org/iso/catalogue_detail?csnumber=42103
ISB 0090	Organisation Data Service (ODS)

1.4 Related Professional Standards

Title	Link
End of life care for adults quality standard (NICE). November 2011	http://guidance.nice.org.uk/QS13
NMC Code: Professional standards of practice and behaviour for nurses and midwives. NMC (2015)	www.nmc.org.uk/globalassets/sitedocuments/nmc-publications/revise-new-nmc-code.pdf
Academy of Medical Royal Colleges record keeping standards for patient handover and hospital discharge	www.rcplondon.ac.uk/resources/standards-admission-handover-discharge-outpatient-and-referral-technical-annex
Standards for the clinical structure and content of patient records. Academy of Medical Royal Colleges and HSCIC. July 2013	www.rcplondon.ac.uk/sites/default/files/standards-for-the-clinical-structure-and-content-of-patient-records.pdf
NHS improving quality guidance and training materials	www.nhs.uk/improvement-programmes/long-term-conditions-and-integrated-care/end-of-life-care/coordination-of-care.aspx www.nhs.uk/improvement-programmes/long-term-conditions-and-integrated-care/end-of-life-care/acute-hospital-care.aspx
Cancer outcomes and services dataset (SCCI1521)	www.hscic.gov.uk/isce/publication/SCCI1521
Community information data set (SCCI1510)	www.hscic.gov.uk/isce/publication/SCCI1510
Palliative care clinical data set (SCCI2036)	In development

2. Health and care organisations

2.1 Requirements

#	Requirement ¹
1	From March 2012, organisations contracting for new electronic palliative care co-ordination systems (previously known as 'locality registers') MUST specify compliance to this information standard in IT systems and software supplier contracts.
2	Providers of services for adults at the end of their life MUST review their current record systems/platforms and ensure that they conform to the standard now and to Amd 11/2015 by 1 March 2016.
3	Organisations developing and/or implementing systems to support palliative care co-ordination MUST conform to safety risk management standards ISB 0129 and ISB 0160 and SHOULD consider the clinical safety risks identified in the Clinical Safety Report [4] as part of the risk management process.
4	Organisations contracting for new electronic palliative care co-ordination systems SHOULD specify that suppliers use SNOMED CT wherever specified in the standard within systems that are developed, but there may also be a need to support other coding systems where required for interoperability.
5	All implementations MUST comply with information governance requirements for data security and confidentiality [7] including ISO/IEC 27001:2005 (see table 1.2). Note the specific IG risks identified in Section 4.1. Information that is captured and held in Palliative care co-ordination: core content systems MUST be fully auditable and all viewing/updating of data MUST be traceable back to the specific user who viewed/updated the record. It MUST be possible for privacy officers or Caldicott Guardians to access this audit information to support investigations into misuse, and also to support subject access and information requests.
6	The person receiving end of life care SHOULD be offered a copy of their record. Consideration MAY be given for people to access their own record and to have editing rights for specific fields.
7	Clinical governance and IT safety leads in each organisation where the standard is implemented MUST ensure that the editing rights for specified clinical content elements are limited to the appropriate clinicians – see Clinical governance, Section 4 of the Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance document [3]. They MUST also check that discrepancies cannot occur between the Palliative care co-ordination: core content record and other data bases holding this information. These risks SHOULD be managed as part of the implementation of ISB 0129 and ISB 0160 .

¹ The key words MUST, SHOULD and MAY are defined in **RFC-2119**.

#	Requirement ¹
8	Information governance leads in each organisation implementing the standard MUST ensure that relevant staff are trained to address consent and confidentiality issues related to the person receiving end of life care and those identified as a carer or nominated as part of advance care planning (see Section 6.4 of the Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance [3]). Information governance leads MUST ensure that relevant staff are informed of changes to the consent model in Amd 11/2015 and identify any training requirements.
9	Clinical leads in organisations providing end of life care for adults MUST review the Palliative care co-ordination Record keeping guidance accompanying this standard and consider whether changes are required to current professional practice, training and local policies/pathways. Clinical leads MUST ensure that all relevant staff are informed when new versions of the guidance are published and identify any training requirements.
10	Professionals MUST seek separate, explicit consent: I. To place a person on EPaCCS or other palliative care co-ordination system. II. To share their information with relevant health and social care staff.
11	Professionals MUST record the consent status ie explicit consent by the individual, best interest decision (Mental Capacity Act 2005) or Lasting Power of Attorney for Personal Welfare (Mental Capacity Act 2005) and MUST record whether consent has been withdrawn.
12	Professionals responsible for seeking consent for the record being created on the system and shared MUST be competent in EoLC communication skills and advance care planning and understand the legal status and implications of the Mental Capacity Act 2005.
13	Professionals and clinical governance leads MUST ensure that systems and process support timely updating of palliative care co-ordination records Palliative care co-ordination: core content and safe decision making. See Implementation guidance [3] and Palliative care co-ordination: Record keeping guidance [5]. Systems and process MUST be reviewed and updated when changes to the information standard are published.

2.2 Conformance criteria

This section describes the tests that can be measured to indicate that the information standard is being used correctly by an organisation (conformance criteria). These may be different depending upon the type of organisation, eg supplier, trust, GP practice.

Organisation Type	Criteria
Commissioners	All contracts for EPaCCS MUST include the requirement for the system to contain the core content defined in SCCI1580.
Service providers	Audit of IT systems MUST indicate full compliance with SCCI1580 and Amd11/2015 by 1 March 2016.
Service providers	Clinical assurance and risk management systems MUST be in place with a named safety lead. ISB 0129 and ISB 0160 MUST be adhered to in deployment of new systems and MUST be continued throughout the system lifecycle.
Service providers	Quality assurance systems MUST be in place to assess the completeness and consistency of the data recorded, the timeliness of data collection and access to the information for relevant professionals.
Service providers	Staff competence/training records MUST show that professionals responsible for seeking consent for the record being created on the system and shared are competent in EoLC communication skills, advance care planning and understand the legal status and implications of the Mental Capacity Act 2005. Staff MUST be informed of changes to the information standard and any required training put in place to update their knowledge and competences so that they continue to record and access information safely and effectively.

3. IT systems suppliers

3.1 Requirements

#	Requirement ²
1	Suppliers of existing systems to providers of end of life care services MUST demonstrate conformance with the information standard and with Amd 11/2015 by 1 March 2016. All data items captured, held or displayed in the system MUST do so in compliance with SCCI1580.
2	Suppliers MUST comply with user interface standards for input and display of patient demographic data (ISB 1500 to 1507). Other design guidance developed by the HSCIC common user interface programme [6] SHOULD be considered.
3	Entry, display and printing of data MUST be assessed as clinically safe.
4	Information shared MUST be kept up-to-date. The solution MUST include controls to ensure that (as far as reasonably possible) discrepancies cannot occur between the Palliative care co-ordination: core content record and other systems or databases holding this information.
5	The system MUST include functionality to notify staff caring for people approaching the end of their life that an EPaCCS record has been created or updated. This MUST be communicated securely in line with information governance requirements. Note: This SHOULD use the national interoperability toolkit (ITK) notifications specification where possible.
6	It SHOULD be possible to send notifications of record creation/update to staff or individuals (including the patient's family and carers) not registered as users of the system.
7	The system MAY use the national Personal Demographics Service (PDS) service to trace patients, retrieve and manage updates to their demographic information.
8	The system MAY use the national Summary Care Record (SCR) service to retrieve medication, allergy and adverse reaction information for a patient where this is available.
9	All integration with other systems (other than Spine services such as PDS or SCR) MUST be built using national ITK specifications unless agreed otherwise with the local NHS organisation.

² The key words **MUST**, **SHOULD** and **MAY** are defined in [RFC-2119](#).

#	Requirement ²
10	Local systems may hold more information than is shared with other systems using ITK messaging. The sending system MUST make it clear to the sender exactly what information will be sent to other systems and what will be held locally and not shared.
11	Users who 'click-through' into a record from another system MUST be able to view and update the record, subject to role-based access controls, and having a legitimate relationship with the patient.
12	Any additional data capture requirements beyond the data items specified in SCCI1580 SHOULD be agreed with the local organisations and care providers using the system.
13	The system MUST allow users to update and logically delete records (in-line with retention policies for clinical data and role-based access controls). This (as with all changes to a record) must be fully auditable.
14	It MUST be possible to create a record for a person with a minimum set of data fields: Demographic fields, GP details (as per the definitions in SCCI1580). All mandatory items MUST be included, along with any relevant items marked as 'required' in the standard.
15	The system MUST ensure that any changes to the person's preferences are updated and made available in a timely fashion. The specific timescale required should be agreed with the local lead organisation.
16	The system MAY include controls or a user prompt to ensure that any advanced decision to refuse treatment is only recorded for a person who is over 18 and who has mental capacity. There is no requirement to capture anything in the record relating to this.
17	When recording advanced decisions to refuse life sustaining treatment, the system MAY prompt the user that such statements must be made in writing, signed and witnessed as well as being recorded in the system.
18	General record keeping principles stipulated by GMC (2006), NMC (2010), HPC (2008), AoMRC (2008) and AoMRC and the NHS (2008) MUST be adhered to, including all entries and amendments being dated and timed, confidentiality, accuracy and timeliness of content.
19	The system SHOULD prompt for a review date to be set when a record is created, and also at each review. The review date should not be more than three months from the date of creation or review.
20	The system SHOULD allow for reminders to users when a planned review date is approaching or has been reached.
21	The system SHOULD allow any of the carers involved in the care of the person to contribute to the record (subject to relevant IG controls).

#	Requirement ²
22	The system SHOULD prompt users that DNACPR decisions should only be recorded by the senior responsible clinician. Note: The choice of who the senior responsible clinician is will be made by the user and there is no requirement for the system to verify this.
23	The solution MUST allow a copy of a person's record to be printed.
24	Local organisations will make decisions about any data fields not to be reproduced on the person's copy and any fields to be filtered out depending on how they have been answered. The system MUST support this. This should be in line with the principles established under Section 7 of the Data Protection Act which gives individuals a right of access to personal data about them.
25	The system MAY allow the person to access their own record electronically, and to have editing rights for specific fields. The requirements for this must be agreed with the local lead organisation.
26	The system MUST include reporting capabilities as agreed with the local NHS organisation.
27	The system MUST allow for the creation of data quality and validation reports as agreed with the local NHS organisation.
28	The solution SHOULD provide capabilities allow reporting of equality information to support organisations in ensuring equitable provision of services, where such information has been recorded in the record.
29	It MUST be possible to extract effectively anonymised or pseudonymised data from the system to support secondary analysis.
30	Data extracted for secondary uses MUST be effectively anonymised or pseudonymised unless explicit consent has been gained from the person for this use of their data.
31	It MUST be possible to extract all user-entered and necessary reference data from the system in patient-identifiable form in a standard format (eg CSV or XML) to allow for local analysis.
32	PI data extracts should be limited to records 'owned' by the organisation of the user running the extract (ie for whom they are the data controller) unless data sharing agreements are in place that allow for other organisations data to be included.
33	The solution MUST conform to safety risk management standards ISB 0129 and ISB 0160.
34	The solution MUST be built with consideration for the clinical safety risks identified in the Clinical safety report included with SCC11580.
35	All coded information held within the system SHOULD be held using SNOMED CT. Note: This aligns with ISB 0034.
36	Where necessary, other clinical coding systems COULD be supported alongside SNOMED CT to support interoperability with other clinical systems.

#	Requirement ²
37	Where SNOMED CT codes are supported, the system MUST be updated with the latest releases of SNOMED CT codes in a timely fashion (SLA to be agreed with local NHS organisation).
38	The system MUST use the NHS number as the primary unique identifier for a person.
39	The system MUST allow electronic copies of documents to be attached to a person's record. It should be possible to enable or disable this functionality for any given organisation.
40	The system MUST allow for changes to the data set over time, including any changes to the locally defined additional information that is captured.
41	The system MUST be highly available – in line with service levels agreed with the local organisation.
42	The system MUST be accessible to authorised users on the N3 network (or its successor).
43	The system SHOULD be accessible to authorised users who are not on the N3 network. Appropriate security and information governance controls must be in place and agreed by the Health and Social Care Information Centre (or its successor).
44	Users SHOULD be able to access records without a network connection (eg on a mobile device).
45	It SHOULD be possible to capture information using an offline digital capture mechanism such as a digital pen or scanning solution.
46	Common user interface standards: ISB standards (1500 to 1507) MUST be followed for input and display of demographic data. This applies to devices capable of operating at 1024x768 which have a keyboard and pointing device, but can also be applied to smaller devices.
47	The solution SHOULD comply with guidance developed by the Common User Interface programme within the Health and Social Care Information Centre.
48	Common user interface guidance relating to navigation and clinical noting SHOULD be followed.
49	Information about a person's end of life care and preferences should appear as a single record which is updated whenever/if ever the person wishes to change it.
50	The system SHOULD be accessible for those with disabilities, and SHOULD comply with guidance set out in the Government service design manual for accessibility. Specific accessibility needs of the users within a local organisation using the system should be taken into account.
51	All web interfaces for general users or patients MUST meet level AA success criteria of WCAG 2.0 (Web content accessibility guidelines 2.0).
52	The system MAY provide online help and/or training facilities to help users understand how to use the system.
53	Systems MUST adhere to user interface standards and to National Patient Safety Agency (NPSA) guidelines for safe on-screen display of medication information.

#	Requirement ²
54	Systems MUST alert users when data item: preferred place of death 1 st choice has not been completed.

Refer to EPaCCS Recommended IT System Requirements [12].

3.2 Conformance criteria

This section describes the tests that can be measured to indicate that the information standard is being used correctly by an IT system supplier.

#	Conformance Criteria
1	All contracts for EPaCCS issued after March 2012 include the requirement for the system to contain the core content defined in SCCI1580 and MUST specify the requirements listed in 3.1.
2	IT systems suppliers MUST specify the requirements in a test schedule and audit of IT systems to providers of palliative and end of life care services indicate full compliance with the core content standard.
3	Evaluation confirms adherence to user interface standards and to NPSA guidelines for safe on-screen display of medication information.
4	Safety risk management has been carried out according to ISB 0129 and ISB 0160 prior to deployment of any system incorporating the Palliative care co-ordination: core content standard and is being continued throughout the system lifecycle.
5	Staff using the standard in systems report no concerns related to its use.

3.3 Important considerations

Standardised, unambiguous record content also supports extraction and analysis of data for secondary uses such as planning, delivery and monitoring of care. This helps inform priorities and direction for quality improvements. Note that this potential use is not addressed by the present standard which is focused on communication and co-ordination between those involved in providing palliative and end of life care, however, consideration should be given to requirements for reporting when implementing or changing systems. Local organisations which implement these systems may utilise reporting functions, with local secondary use of the data, to ensure all eligible people, regardless of condition, population group etc, are properly considered for inclusion on the system, and enabling inequities in care provision to be addressed. Reporting functionality will also enable assessment of the impact of EPaCCS in achieving people's wishes and preferences for end of life care.

It is recommended that EPaCCS include reporting functionality and localities implementing new EPaCCS should include reporting functionality in their procurement

specification. Localities who have implemented systems that do not have reporting functionality are advised to work towards this.

3.4 Scope

The standard applies to adults (18 years and older) with deteriorating, progressive or life limiting illness who are approaching the end of life i.e. the scope of the NICE Quality Standard for end of life care for adults, published November 2011.

<http://guidance.nice.org.uk/QS13>

Core content to support the requirements listed in i) to iii) of section 3.5 below is defined in this standard. Additional content that may be required to support recording of full palliative and end of life care decisions was identified during the piloting of the locality registers [2] and during consultation on the core content. Although not part of this core content information standard, this additional content is available to guide system design and clinical recording practice. See Appendix 4 of the Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance for details.

Any systems which store information relating to palliative and end of life care plans or preferences must support this information standard, so that information is being held in a consistent way to allow for co-ordination of care and sharing of this information across multi-disciplinary teams.

3.5 Out of scope

- I. Full electronic clinical record or care plan for people receiving palliative and end of life care.
- II. Children and young people receiving palliative and end of life care – defined locally depending on service delivery models, but generally those below 18 years.
- III. Mandatory data collection for national reporting. If a requirement for one or more national reporting data sets is decided, a submission for one or more related, but separate information standards will be developed, however, localities may wish to share data with national bodies such as the National End of Life Care Intelligence Network, part of Public Health England, to develop a national picture and thereby support benchmarking and service improvement work. In this way the national aspect is directly tied to the benefits they might obtain. Appropriate information governance permissions would be sought.
- IV. Care and support of the bereaved.

3.6 Details of the standard

In order to support the requirements in section 2.1, the core content comprises information about:

- the person
- those delivering care
- end of life care preferences and choices
- end of life care decisions

A summary table of core content elements is provided below.

Whenever possible, where data items are already captured in other record systems these should feed into the shared record electronically (See Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance [3]). This will include demographic data items which exist in the patient demographic record or GP record.

Summary core data items	
1	Consent Consent status*
2	Record creation* date AND record amendment* dates
3	Plan and requested actions Planned review date Cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision – whether a decision has been made, the decision, date of decision, location of the documentation and date for review
4	Person demographics Person name* including preferred name Date of birth* Person address* NHS number* and NHS number status indicator code* Person telephone number Gender Relevant contacts Main carer name and contact details Availability of carer support*
5	Special requirements Need for interpreter Preferred spoken language Functional status Disability End of life care tools in use eg Gold Standards Framework

Summary core data items	
6	<p>Information and advice given Is main carer aware of person's prognosis? Is person aware of the cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision? Family member/carers informed of cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision?</p>
7	<p>GP Practice GP name* GP practice details*</p>
8	<p>Key worker Name Telephone number</p>
9	<p>Services and care Names of health and social care staff and professionals involved in care Professional group Telephone number</p>
10	<p>Diagnoses Primary end of life care diagnosis* Other relevant end of life care diagnoses and clinical issues Likely prognosis</p>
11	<p>Allergies or adverse reactions</p>
12	<p>Medications and medical devices Whether a 'just in case box' or anticipatory medicines have been prescribed Where these medicines are kept</p>
13	<p>Legal information Advance statement Requests or preferences that have been stated Advance decision to refuse treatment (ADRT) Whether a decision has been made, the decision, date of decision and the location of the documentation Lasting Power of Attorney or similar Name and contact details of person appointed with Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) for personal welfare</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • without authority to make life-sustaining decisions • with authority to make life-sustaining decisions
14	<p>Person and carers' concerns, expectations and wishes Preferred place of death 1st and 2nd choices if made Names and contact details of others (one and two) that the person wants to be involved in decisions about their care Other relevant issues or preferences around provision of care?</p>
15	<p>Actual place of death</p>
16	<p>Date of death</p>

* Completion of these items is mandatory.

3.7 Interoperability

Where there is an intention to use electronic messaging, it is important that this messaging is standardised wherever possible. The Health and Social Care Information Centre is working with NHS organisations and suppliers to develop and maintain a set of interoperability standards through the interoperability toolkit (ITK) programme. ITK specifications to support care co-ordination and EPaCCS were developed in late 2012, and the HSCIC can provide support to local organisations looking to make use of these specifications. Support can also be provided to sites interested in developing new standards for messaging where existing standards do not exist.

Where applicable national ITK resources already exist for the transfer of information, these should be used wherever possible to avoid a proliferation of incompatible interfaces being developed. Where applicable national interoperability tools do not exist, local organisations should consider working with the ITK team to propose and develop new tools/resources.

More information is available here: <http://systems.hscic.gov.uk/interop>

4. Implementation

4.1 Concept of operation

This standard supports the national End of life care strategy (2008) [1] and the work of NHS England to improve health outcomes and support the continuing implementation of digital record sharing systems to improve care co-ordination. At a suitable time after a person has been identified as approaching the end of life, an experienced care professional initiates open and honest conversations about end of life care and choices. With the person's permission, EPaCCS can then be used to record the person's details and expressed preferences for care and to communicate this information, with their agreement, to other professionals.

Information about the person's palliative and end of life care preferences (and changes to that information) should be recorded once and then made available to those who have a legitimate relationship with the individual, including named carers and the person themselves. A range of professional groups will need to access the data; local decisions must be made about the groups that can have access and permissions to create, edit, and view the data items. The core information needs to be available at any time day or night. It is recommended that, with due regard for information governance and data protection, a hard copy is available in the person's home, at the bedside or where it can be easily accessed by the relevant carers.

Information about people's palliative and end of life care is often stored on multiple IT platforms with separate networks used by primary care, community care, acute care, hospices, social care, ambulance and out of hours services. How the core content standard is operationalised by local organisations, such as through the development of EPaCCS, will be determined by local service providers, depending on the local service and system context. For example, the core content may be held on existing IT infrastructures and be accessed via separate networks or there may be a bespoke system that integrates data from multiple providers' platforms.

Local requirements for compatibility with other systems will need to be determined. Integration of systems to allow automatic population of data from existing databases would be preferable.

4.2 Working practices

Implementation of systems to support recording and communication of end of life care plans is resulting in changes to working practices. Training materials and other resources are available from the NHS Improving Quality website to support these

changes. www.nhs.uk/improvement-programmes/long-term-conditions-and-integrated-care.aspx

The Ipsos MORI evaluation report of the locality registers pilots [2] recognised the importance of staff training to ensure that patients' palliative and end of life care is safely managed. The report highlighted the requirement for staff delivering care to have the competences that underpin effective palliative and end of life care, particularly around communication skills and care planning, including advance care planning. EPaCCS supports conversations about end of life care wishes and implementers have found that EPaCCS acts as a driver for training to ensure that staff have the required competences for their role in delivery of end of life care.

Implementation of EPaCCS will require staff training on taking patient consent and access and use of the electronic record including the recording and updating of information, however, it is expected that this particular training requirement will, in general, be small if the data set sits on existing IT platforms. It is important that appropriate and adequate training is provided to ensure that all staff groups are competent to access and input data as required, meeting information governance requirements.

Implementation Guidance (4.3. below), the lessons from the Ipsos MORI evaluation report of the locality registers pilots [2], and good practice examples on the NHS Improving Quality website can be used to develop local training and guidance materials.

There is emerging evidence that EPaCCS is supporting people to achieve their preferred place of death (See EPaCCS Making the Case for Change [13]) and that EPaCCS increases the proportion of deaths in people's usual place of residence with potential cost savings from reduced hospital admissions. (See Economic Evaluation of the Electronic Palliative Care Co-ordination system (EPaCCS) Early Implementer Sites [11]).

4.3 Guidance

See Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance [3] and EPaCCS Recommended IT System Requirements [12].

The functionality required to operationalise the core content, will be determined locally. Full interoperability and real-time data are desirable. Functionality will include:

- collection, importing and storage of individual level data specified in the standard
- requirement for some free text fields
- user access to records across multiple IT platforms, some without N3 connection
- facility to update and remove records

- audit trail for access and data edits
- reporting functions (specified locally)
- validation and data quality reports

If full interoperability and real-time data cannot be supported by the IT systems, alternative operational procedures need to be implemented to supplement the IT system to ensure that staff have access to up-to-date information at any time, day or night. This may require the faxing/emailing of records between services.

Locally, decisions can be made as to whether the original documents for cardiopulmonary resuscitation decisions and advance decision to refuse treatment (ADRT) are uploaded into the record but a clinical risk assessment needs to be carried out, for example around how to ensure those records are kept up to date, and policy and training put in place.

As a minimum, the person should be offered a copy of their record. In alignment with the information strategy, The power of information (2012), consideration must be given for people to access their own record and to have editing rights for specific fields eg to record relevant issues and preferences for care or names of people to be involved in decision making. This supports people to take greater control of their care and supports ambitions for a paperless NHS. Adequate data security measures would be required to ensure controlled access.

4.4 Mandatory fields

It is mandatory for IT systems to support the core data set but localities implementing EPaCCS will decide on the content of the record. Where the core data items are selected for inclusion, these data items must comply with the information standard. The demographic fields, GP details, NHS number and status indicator code and details of main carer are mandatory fields in the information standard and these fields will be completed at creation of the record. Other fields in the record will be populated over time, in response to on-going dialogue with people and their families and the identification of choices and preferences for care. The structure of these fields will be determined locally to support this approach.

4.5 Terminology and coding

SNOMED CT has been selected and approved as the terminology to be adopted by the NHS in England. Suppliers implementing the Palliative care co-ordination: core content standard MUST refer to ISB 0034. Organisations contracting for new EPaCCS must specify that suppliers use SNOMED CT for all coded information within systems that are developed, but there may also be a need to support other coding systems where required for interoperability.

Current SNOMED CT, Read CTV3 and Read V2 codes, relevant to the data items, are provided in Section 6. These codes are to be used where the system design requires use of codes for observable entries. It is the responsibility of the IT systems supplier or lead organisation, to ensure that the coding used in EPaCCS records is current and up-to-date.

SNOMED CT is specified as the single terminology to be used across the health system and it should be noted that Read codes will be deprecated as detailed below:

- Read Codes V2 will cease to be maintained by the Health and Social Care Information Centre from April 2016 and will be withdrawn in April 2020. Further information: www.hscic.gov.uk/media/15868/1553disn/pdf/1553disn.pdf
- Read Codes CTV3 will cease to be maintained by the Health and Social Care Information Centre from April 2018 and will be withdrawn in April 2020. Further information: www.hscic.gov.uk/media/15869/1552disn/pdf/1552disn.pdf

Information Standard Notices [1552](#) and [1553](#) confirm the schedule for the phasing out and withdrawal of the Read V2 and Read V3 clinical terminologies:

The final updated release of Read V2 is 1/4/2016.

The date of withdrawal of Read V2 is 1/4/2020.

The final updated release of Read V3 is 1/4/2018.

The date of withdrawal of Read V3 is 1/4/2020.

Service users will need to plan to migrate from the use of READ codes to SNOMED CT coding within the timescales above.

4.6 Interface design

The standard specifies formats for the storage of structured data where this is standardised, for example, format of dates is as stated in the NHS data model and dictionary. Safe entry, display and print out of the data are essential to prevent harm to patients.

A number of information standards have been approved for use in clinical systems in England that specify design for input and display of patient demographic data – see section 1.3. These standards must be applied to computers that are capable of operating at a display resolution of 1024 x 768, and have a keyboard and pointing device. Design principles in the standards should also be considered for reduced-size form factors, such as personal digital assistants and small mobile devices.

Design guidance developed by the Health and Social Care Information Centre common user interface (CUI) [6] programme on consistent navigation and clinical noting and terminology is also recommended. Particular attention should be paid when specifying the maximum number of characters allowed for free text entries to avoid potential loss of important content.

Safe entry, display and print out of the data are essential to prevent harm to people. Consideration should be given to layout and ordering of content items to facilitate completion and support accuracy and interpretation; for example, 'advance decisions to refuse treatment' are potentially more binding than 'advance statements' and should appear first for entry and display.

4.7 Clinical safety

Organisations manufacturing, deploying and using new or updated software must follow the processes set down in two information standards approved for the NHS and social care in 2009 – see section 1.3. These standards require organisations to determine if the software gives rise to an impact on patient safety, and then mitigate the risk appropriately prior to implementing the software. Local organisations will need to comply with the [code of practice for conducting privacy impact assessments](#) (Information Commissioners Office 2014) and should refer to the screening questions to determine whether a privacy impact assessment is required.

Risk management must then be continued throughout the lifecycle of the system including when it is decommissioned or replaced. See the Clinical safety report [4] for implementation risks identified for the Palliative care co-ordination: core content.

It is essential that any potential clinical risk regarding the accuracy of the record content is addressed. Please refer to Palliative care co-ordination Record keeping guidance [5] and Clinical safety report [4] for consideration of clinical risk. A copy of the record should be printed to share with the person or portals developed to enable people to access their record over the internet. See section 9.3 of Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance [3].

4.8 Information governance

All IT systems must comply with NHS and legal information governance requirements for data security and confidentiality to ensure security and protection of the data when viewed, transferred and stored. See Section 6 of the Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance document [3].

Information that is captured and held in local systems must be fully auditable and all viewing/updating of data should be traceable back to the specific user who

viewed/updated the record. Where possible this should be linked back to a smart-card authenticated user. It should be possible for privacy officers or Caldicott guardians to access this audit information to support investigations into misuse, and also to support subject access and information requests. Please refer to Palliative care co-ordination Record keeping guidance [5] Section 6.9 and to Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance [3] Section 6.4 for guidance on consent for creating a record and for information sharing.

4.9 Clinical governance

Clinical governance leads in the organisations implementing recording of Palliative care co-ordination information MUST note the risks identified in the Clinical safety report [4] and work with IT and clinical staff to ensure those risks are managed as is required by the NHS IT safety risk management standards (see Section 1.3).

Issues and concerns related to the core content or its use should be referred initially to local clinical governance leads and if necessary referred to the Implementation and data set management group (see Section 5 below).

On-going clinical assurance for the standard is being led by the Association of Palliative Medicine in collaboration with the relevant professional bodies including the Royal College of General Practitioners and the Royal College of Nursing.

Staff using the record need to be aware of the medico-legal and accountability considerations related to the use of EPaCCS which are provided in Appendix 2 of the Palliative care co-ordination Record keeping guidance [5].

Refer to Section 4 of Palliative care co-ordination Implementation guidance for further guidance regarding clinical governance.

4.10 Implementation timeframe

By March 2012	New contracts for IT systems and software for EPaCCS MUST specify compliance with the standard
April 2012	Release of additional Read and SNOMED CT codes to support the standard
October 2013	Release of SMOMED/Read codes to support the standard
By 1 December 2013	End of life care service providers migrated to compliant systems
By 1 December 2013	IT systems suppliers MUST comply with standard
December 2013	ISN notice advising of amendments to the standard

By 1 June 2014	IT systems suppliers MUST comply with amendments to the standard
By 1 June 2014	End of life care service providers' systems are compliant with amendments to the standard
September 2015	ISN notice advising of amendments to the standard
By 1 March 2016	Systems are compliant with the amendments to the standard (Amd 11/2015)

The Implementation and Data Set Management Group leads on implementation and maintenance of the standard.

NEoLCIN provides access to the standard's requirements specification and supporting documents from its [website](#). Additional guidance and resources are provided from this website and from the [NHS Improving Quality website](#). Changes to the standard will be communicated via these websites and a communications plan put in place to notify current and potential EPaCCS users.

NHS Improving Quality have a range of resources to support implementation of EPaCCS which are available from their website. These include a benefits case, Making the case for change published October 2012 [13], an economic evaluation of EPaCCS early implementer sites, published February 2013 [11], information governance guidance, published March 2013, lessons learned published in August 2014, good practice examples and case studies. The national team invites feedback from systems users and service providers on the acceptability, usefulness, limitations and technical issues via neolcin@phe.gov.uk.

5. Reporting implementation issues or requests for change

Issues and requests for change can be made via neolcin@phe.gov.uk. Acknowledgement of receipt will be made within two working days. A register is maintained of issues raised and requests for change which is available on request.

Issues are logged and reviewed first by the standard's implementation manager and then, if necessary, by the Clinical and Professional Assurance Group or Technical Advisory and Support Group and recommendations made to the Implementation and Data Set Management Group. If required, additional guidance is sought from external experts or professional associations. The issue raiser will be kept apprised of progress through the process. Requests for change are reviewed by the Clinical and Professional Advisory Group and/or the Technical Advisory and Support Group and recommendations made to the Implementation and Dataset Management Group for decision. When required, requests for changes to the information standard will be made to SCCI, as required but generally not more frequently than two yearly.

If organisations decide to extend the core data set, local systems will be required to support maintenance of these additional items. Please refer to Palliative care co-ordination Implementation Guidance for further detail.

A full review of the standard is undertaken on a three-year cycle, unless required sooner, by the group, Public Health England, NHS England or SCCI. A post implementation review was carried out and reported to the Information Standards Board in March 2014. The next review is expected to take place 12 months after acceptance of the Amd 11/2015 and thereafter on a 3-yearly basis unless required earlier.

6. Content elements, description and details

Notes

1. Cardinality

The number of entries for each content element will depend on local requirements and system capabilities, but it is expected that multiple entries will be supported for the following data items:

Disability

Care workers involved in care: name

Care workers involved in care: professional group

Other relevant end of life diagnoses and clinical problems

Allergies/adverse drug reactions

Advance statements requirements and preferences

All telephone numbers

2. Status

Status is defined as mandatory, required or optional for completion. The definitions are:

Mandatory	This signifies that the collection of the data item is deemed MANDATORY and its presence is necessary
Required	This signified that the data item must be supported and populated if the data is available
Optional	This signifies that the collection of the data item is OPTIONAL. Its inclusion is therefore determined by 'local agreement' between the ORGANISATIONS exchanging the data

Data Items

1. Consent status
2. Record creation date
3. Planned review date
4. Date and time of last amendment
5. Person family name
6. Person forename
7. Person preferred name
8. Person birth date
9. NHS number
10. NHS number status indicator code
11. Person gender
12. Person address
13. Person telephone numbers
14. Need for an Interpreter
15. Preferred spoken language
16. Main carer name
17. Main carer telephone numbers
18. Is main carer aware of person's prognosis?
19. Usual GP name
20. Practice details including phone and fax numbers
21. Key worker name if not usual GP
22. Key worker telephone number
23. Care workers involved in care: name
24. Care workers involved in care: professional group
25. Telephone numbers for care workers involved in care
26. Primary end of life care diagnosis
27. Other relevant end of life care diagnoses and clinical issues
28. Disability
29. Functional status
30. Allergies/adverse drug reactions
31. Anticipatory medicines/just in case box issued
32. Location of anticipatory medicines/just in case box
33. EoLC tool in use? (eg GSF, PPC, other)
34. Likely prognosis
35. Advance statement requests and preferences
36. Preferred place of death 1st choice
37. Preferred place of death organisation name (1st choice)
38. Preferred place of death address (1st choice)
39. Preferred place of death (1st choice) is usual place of residence
40. Preferred place of death 2nd choice
41. Preferred place of death organisation name (2nd choice)
42. Preferred place of death address (2nd choice)
43. Preferred place of death (2nd choice) is usual place of residence
44. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision
45. Date of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision
46. Date for review of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision
47. Location of cardiopulmonary resuscitation documentation
48. Awareness of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision
49. Person has made an advance decision to refuse treatment

50. Location of advance decision to refuse treatment documentation
51. Name of Lasting Power of Attorney for personal welfare
52. Authority of LPA
53. Telephone number(s) concerning Lasting Power of Attorney
54. Name of additional person to be involved in decisions (1)
55. Telephone number of person (1) to be involved in decisions
56. Name of additional person to be involved in decisions (2)
57. Telephone number of person (2) to be involved in decisions
58. Other relevant issues or preferences about provision of care
59. Date of death
60. Actual place of death

Content element number and name

1. Consent status

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No Entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED read codes as stated.

Description

Separate explicit consent is required for creation and sharing of the end of life care co-ordination record. This data item records how this consent has been granted in order to differentiate between individual's explicit consent, best interest decision, Lasting Power of Attorney decision and withdrawal of consent.

Requirement

To provide clarity of the type of consent that has been granted (ie whether explicit, best interest decision, lasting Power of Attorney consent) and where consent has been withdrawn. By recording where a best interest decision or Lasting Power of Attorney has been made for the record, professionals are alerted of potential mental capacity issues.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

882921000000109 | Consent given for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

882941000000102 | Withdrawal of consent for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

882961000000101 | Best interests decision taken (Mental Capacity Act 2005) for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

883001000000106| Consent given by appointed person with lasting power of attorney for personal welfare (Mental Capacity Act 2005) for sharing end of life care co-ordination record (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaaYI | Consent given for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

XaaYJ | Withdrawal of consent for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

XaaYK | Best interests decision taken (Mental Capacity Act 2005) for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

XaaYM | Consent given by appointed person with lasting power of attorney for personal welfare (Mental Capacity Act 2005) for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

Read V2

9Nu6. | Consent given for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

9Nu7. | Withdrawal of consent for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

9Nu8. | Best interests decision taken (Mental Capacity Act 2005) for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

9Nu90 | Consent given by appointed person with lasting power of attorney for personal welfare (Mental Capacity Act 2005) for sharing end of life care coordination record (finding) |

Data Entry Status

Mandated

Content element number and name

2. Record creation date

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No Entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Date an10 CCYY-MM-DD

See ISB 1503 Date Display.

Description

Date the record was created.

Requirement

Provides all users of the register with information about when the person was placed on the register and the length of time that the person has been on the register.

Source

Autogenerated

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

3. Planned review date

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Review Date

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/r/rep/review_date_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

Date an10 CCYY-MM-DD

See also ISB 1502 Date and Time Input and ISB 1503 Date Display.

Description

Date the record is due for review. Date to be set at creation of the record and at review date by professional, in consultation with the person.

Requirement

It is crucial that records are kept up to date and to ensure that any changes in details of people's preferences are recorded. Setting a review date will help to facilitate this.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Required

Content element number and name

4. Date and time of last amendment

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No Entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Date an10 CCYY-MM-DD

Time eight characters HH:MM:SS

See also ISB 1502 Date and Time Input; ISB 1503 Date Display and ISB 1501 Time Display.

Description

Date and time that any data item in the record was last amended.

Requirement

To inform of when changes were last made to the record.

Source

Autogenerated

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Note

Audit trail of all amendments is required.

Content element number and name

5. Person family name

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Person Family Name

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/p/pers/person_family_name_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display.

Description

That part of a **PERSON**'s name which is used to describe family, clan, tribal group, or marital association.

Requirement

To identify the person and to provide information for services providers on how to address the person.

Source

Auto generated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

6. Person forename

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Person Given Name (First)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/p/pers/person_given_name_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display.

Description

The forename or given name of a **PERSON**.

Requirement

To identify the person and to provide information for services providers on how to address the person.

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data Entry Status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

7. Person preferred name

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No Entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Free text

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display.

Description

The name that a person wishes staff to address them by.

Requirement

To provide information for services providers on how to address the person.

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

8. Person birth date

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Person birth date

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/p/pers/person_birth_date_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary an10 CCYY-MM-DD

See also ISB 1502 Date and Time Input and ISB 1503 Date Display.

Description

The date on which a PERSON was born or is officially deemed to have been born

Requirement

Additional identifier.

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

9. NHS number

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

NHS number

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/n/nhs/nhs_number_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also ISB 1504 NHS Number Input and Display.

Description

The primary identifier of a PERSON, a unique identifier for a PATIENT within the NHS in England and Wales.

Requirement

Main identifier for linkage against other records.

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** manual.

[To be autogenerated whenever possible]

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

10. NHS number status indicator code

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

NHS number status indicator code

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

[www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/n/nhs/nhs_number_status_indicator_code_de.asp?query=nhs number status&rank=100&shownav=1](http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/n/nhs/nhs_number_status_indicator_code_de.asp?query=nhs+number+status&rank=100&shownav=1)

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also ISB 1504 NHS Number Input and Display.

01 Number present and verified

02 Number present but not traced

03 Trace required

04 Trace attempted – no match or multiple match found

05 Trace needs to be resolved – (NHS number or PATIENT detail conflict)

06 Trace in progress

Description

Status of the NHS number recorded in the record.

Requirement

To support completion and verification of NHS number.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

11. Person gender

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Person stated gender code

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/attributes/p/person/person_stated_gender_code_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary or SNOMED/READ terminology

NHS Data Model and Dictionary:

National codes:

- 1 Male
- 2 Female
- 9 Indeterminate (unable to be classified as either male or female)

Description

The gender of a **PERSON**.

PERSON STATED GENDER CODE is self declared or inferred by observation for those unable to declare their **PERSON STATED GENDER**.

Requirement

This information may be required when arranging appropriate care for the person or if a person is being admitted to hospital for example.

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

248152002 | Female (finding) |

248153007 | Male (finding) |

Read CTV3

X768C | Female |

X768D | Male |

Read V2

1K1.. | Female |

1K0.. | Male |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

12. Person address

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Patient usual address

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/p/pat/patient_usual_address_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also: ISB 1500 Address Input and Display.

Description

The current usual place of residence.

Requirement

Care may be provided in person's home and therefore the address details are required.

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

13. Person telephone numbers

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Contact Telephone number (home)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

[www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/c/cons/contact_telephone_number_\(home\)_de.asp?shownav=1](http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/c/cons/contact_telephone_number_(home)_de.asp?shownav=1)

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also: ISB 1508 Telephone Number Input and Display.

Description

Telephone contact details of the person. To include mobile and home number if available.

Requirement

Care may be provided in person's home and therefore the telephone number will enable professional staff to make prompt contact with person to arrange visits and to co-ordinate any support required.

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

13. Person telephone numbers (continued)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Contact telephone number (mobile)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

[www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/c/cons/contact_telephone_number_\(mobile\)_de.asp?shownav=1](http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/c/cons/contact_telephone_number_(mobile)_de.asp?shownav=1)

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also: ISB 1508 Telephone Number Input and Display.

Description

N/A

Requirement

N/A

Source

N/A

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

14. Need for an interpreter

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No Entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Use terminology codes provided.

Description

Requirement for an interpreter to support communication with health and social care staff as identified by the person.

Requirement

This information will provide warning that an interpreter will be required to support communication.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

<315594003 | Interpreter needed (finding) |
315595002 | Interpreter not needed (finding) |

Read CTV3

<Xa18X | Interpreter needed |
Xa18Y | Interpreter not needed |

Read V2

<9NU0.. | Interpreter needed |
9NU1..| Interpreter not needed |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

15. Preferred spoken language

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Preferred communication language

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/p/pot/preferred_communication_language_de.asp

Format

Pick list of codes drawn from the specified sections of terminology coding as stated.

Description

The language that the person identifies as their preferred language for spoken communication.

Requirement

To enable provision of appropriate language support for communication with the person if required.

Source

Manual.

SNOMED CT

<370157003 | Main spoken language (finding) |

Read CTV3

<XaPGi | Main spoken language N - Z |

<XaPGh | Main spoken language A - M |

Read V2

<13l.. | Main spoken language |

<13u.. | Additional main spoken language |

<13w.. | Supplemental main language spoken |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

16. Main carer name

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary as shown in **Person Full Name**

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display AND SNOMED/Read codes or Freetext as stated below.

Description

A carer is a person who is either providing or intending to provide a substantial amount of unpaid care on a regular basis for someone who is disabled, ill or frail. A carer is usually a family member, friend or neighbour and does not include care workers. (Carers (Recognition and Services) Act 1995.)

Note: The main carer will be identified by the individual or the person's GP or key worker if the person lacks capacity to identify one themselves.

Requirement

People at the end of life may not be well enough to communicate with care professionals to arrange visits or care details and communication may be made with a family member or carer. In addition to the name of the identified main carer, this data item identifies whether an individual has access to support from a carer which is valuable information for care planning. It also alerts professionals that a carer's assessment should be offered.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

184156005 | Has a carer (finding)

414041006 | Does not have a carer (finding)

Unknown specified as free text

Read CTV3

918F. | Has a carer |
XaJvD | Does not have a carer |

Unknown specified as free text

Read V2

918F. | Has a carer |
918V. | Does not have a carer|

Unknown specified as free text

Data entry status

Coded content is mandatory

Content element number and name

17. Main carer telephone numbers

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary given as shown in **Contact telephone number**

See also: ISB 1508 Telephone Number Input and Display.

Description

The contact telephone numbers for the main family member or carer identified by the person to hold major responsibility for providing their care and support.

Requirement

To enable care staff to make contact with the main family member or carer to arrange visits or to co-ordinate care when it is more appropriate than contacting the person at the end of life.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

18. Is main carer aware of person's prognosis?

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED/Read codes provided.

Description

Awareness of the prognosis is taken to mean an awareness that the life span is limited.

Requirement

To enable staff to have open conversations with people and their families about future plans.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

751961000000104 | Relative aware of prognosis (situation) |
760101000000101 | Relative unaware of prognosis (situation) |
473301001 | Care giver aware of prognosis (situation) |
Preferred synonym | Carer aware of prognosis | (description ID 2956650010)*
711951000000105 | Carer unaware of prognosis (situation) |

*Note: this will be updated as UK specified preferred term for the October 2015 release

Read CTV3

XaX1e | Relative aware of prognosis |
XaXBG | Relative unaware of prognosis |
XaX1d | Carer aware of prognosis |
XaVzE | Carer unaware of prognosis |

Read V2

66W31 | Relative aware of prognosis |
66W41 | Relative unaware of prognosis |
66W30 | Carer aware of prognosis |
66W40 | Carer unaware of prognosis |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

19. Usual GP name

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Person name (specified general medical practitioner)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

[www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/p/pers/person_name_\(specified_general_medical_practitioner\)_de.asp?shownav=1](http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/p/pers/person_name_(specified_general_medical_practitioner)_de.asp?shownav=1)

Format

Locally provided list of GP names and ODS codes.

Description

The name of the GP currently providing care for the person or the GP that the person is registered with.

Requirement

The GP is a key member of the team who holds information and records for the person which may be required by health and social care staff caring for the person. (GPs need to be informed if people are close to death to avoid unnecessary referral to the coroner following death).

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

20. Practice details including phone and fax numbers

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

General medical practice code (patient registration)

See ISB 0090 Organisation Data Service

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

[www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/g/general_medical_practice_code_\(patient_registration\)_de.asp?shownav=1](http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/g/general_medical_practice_code_(patient_registration)_de.asp?shownav=1)

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

Description

The practice name, address, telephone and fax details of the GP that the person is registered with.

Requirement

Contact details are required to enable care providers to contact the GP if required.

Source

Autogenerated from PDS or GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

21. Key worker name if not usual GP

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary and e-gif as shown in Person Full Name.

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display.

Description

A key worker is a care professional who takes a key role in co-ordinating the care of the patient and promoting continuity, ensuring the patient knows who to access for information and advice.

Requirement

To identify the lead person for co-ordinating care and who will have an overview of the care being provided for the person and their current situation.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

22. Key worker telephone number

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary given as shown in **Contact telephone number**.

See also: ISB 1508 Telephone Number Input and Display.

Description

The contact telephone number of the key worker.

Requirement

To identify the lead person for co-ordinating care and who will have an overview of the care being provided for the person and their current situation.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

23. Care workers involved in care: name

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary and e-gif as shown in Person Full Name.

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display.

Description

A care worker is employed to support and supervise vulnerable, infirm or disadvantaged people, or those under the care of the state. They can be volunteers, who provide care as part of their work for the voluntary organisation, or paid workers, who are providing care by virtue of a contract of employment or any other contract.

Note: for medical teams this should be the name of the lead consultant. For teams providing care where an individual carer has not been assigned. This should be the team leader.

Requirement

To provide information to those providing care of the others involved in care delivery in order to support co-ordination of care.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

24. Care workers involved in care: professional group

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Free text or a locally determined pick list of professional groups.

Description

Identification of the health and social care professionals and staff, including care workers from voluntary agencies, who provide care and support for the person.

Requirement

To provide information to those providing care of the others involved in care delivery in order to support co-ordination of care.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

305602008 | Under care of dietician (finding) |
305578001 | Under care of district nurse (finding) |
305574004 | Under care of community based nurse (finding) |
305554006 | Under care of nurse (finding) |
305556008 | Under care of clinical nurse specialist (finding) |
850951000000107 | Under care of palliative care specialist nurse (finding) |
853741000000104 | Has healthcare support worker (finding) |
305496007 | Under care of palliative care physician (finding) |
851011000000103 | Under care of oncologist (finding) |
305469009 | Under care of pain management specialist (finding) |
305490001 | Under care of care of the elderly physician (finding) |
305476004 | Under care of respiratory physician (finding) |
305472002 | Under care of cardiologist (finding) |
305494005 | Under care of neurologist (finding) |
305493004 | Under care of nephrologist (finding) |
852031000000100 | Under care of physician (finding) |
305616003 | Under care of speech and language therapist (finding) |
305525000 | Under care of surgeon (finding) |
851821000000100 | Has spiritual and cultural support (finding) |
305605005 | Under care of occupational therapist (finding) |
305613006 | Under care of physiotherapist (finding) |

850931000000100 | Has social services care manager (finding) |
405775000 | Under care of social worker (finding) |
851851000000105 | Has social care assessor (finding) |
853721000000106 | Has direct care worker (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaARG | Under care of dietician |
XaAQq | Under care of district nurse |
XaAQm | Under care of community based nurse |
XaAQS | Under care of nurse |
XaAQU | Under care of clinical nurse specialist |
XaZhw | Under care of palliative care specialist nurse |
XaZm1 | Has healthcare support worker |
XaAPW | Under care of palliative care physician |
XaZi1 | Under care of oncologist |
XaAP6 | Under care of pain management specialist |
XaAPQ | Under care of care of the elderly physician |
XaAPC | Under care of respiratory physician |
XaAP9 | Under care of cardiologist |
XaAPU | Under care of neurologist |
XaAPT | Under care of nephrologist |
XaAP7 | Under care of physician |
XaAPz | Under care of surgeon |
XaZj7 | Has spiritual and cultural support |
XaARJ | Under care of occupational therapist |
XaARR | Under care of physiotherapist |
XaZhv | Has social services care manager |
XaZj9 | Has social care assessor |
XaZm0 | Has direct care worker |
XaARU | Under care of speech and language therapist |
XaZri | Under care of social worker |

Read V2

9NNd. | Under care of palliative care specialist nurse |
9Ngc. | Has healthcare support worker |
9NNe. | Under care of oncologist |
9NNf. | Under care of physician |
9NgZ. | Has spiritual and cultural support |
9NgW. | Has social services care manager |
9Nga. | Has social care assessor |
9Ngb. | Has direct care worker |
9NNF. | Under care of dietician |
9NNg2 | Under care of district nurse |
9NNg1 | Under care of community based nurse |
9NNg. | Under care of nurse |
9NNg0 | Under care of clinical nurse specialist |
9NNf0 | Under care of palliative care physician |
9NNh. | Under care of pain management specialist |
9NNf1 | Under care of care of the elderly physician |

9NNf2 | Under care of respiratory physician |
9NNf3 | Under care of cardiologist |
9NNf4 | Under care of neurologist |
9NNf5 | Under care of nephrologist |
9NNi. | Under care of surgeon |
9NNj0 | Under care of occupational therapist |
9NNj1 | Under care of physiotherapist |
9NNj2 | Under care of speech and language therapist |
9NNk. | Under care of social worker |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

25. Telephone numbers for care workers involved in care

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary given as shown in Contact telephone number.

See also: ISB 1508 Telephone Number Input and Display.

Description

The telephone contact details for each professional and staff group identified in 23.

Requirement

To enable staff providing care to make contact with other members of the multidisciplinary team in order to co-ordinate care.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

26. Primary end of life care diagnosis

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element Name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Code or text
[Coding to be used whenever possible]

Description

The diagnosis that is the main contributing factor to the need for end of life care.

Requirement

Those providing care need to be aware of the diagnosis to ensure that the care provided is safe and appropriate.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Mandatory

Content element number and name

27. Other relevant end of life care diagnoses and clinical issues

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS dData Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Code or text

Description

Relevant diagnoses and clinical issues that need to be taken account when making end of life decisions. This includes mental health issues such as depression, anxiety and dementia.

Requirement

Those providing care need to be aware of the diagnosis to ensure that the care provided is safe and appropriate.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

28. Disability

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Disability code

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

[www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/d/disa/disability_code_de.asp?sho
wnav=1](http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/d/disa/disability_code_de.asp?sho
wnav=1)

Format

SNOMED read codes as stated below OR short list of disability codes in NHS Data Model and Dictionary OR freetext.

Description

Functional or cognitive impairments that affect a person's ability in communication, understanding, decision making or self-care.

Requirement

It is important that service providers are aware of disabilities as these may affect arrangements for transportation/admission to hospital/hospice/care home and to ensure that the required facilities are provided.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

Disability	Definition
15188001 Hearing loss (disorder)	Hearing loss that impacts on verbal communication
397540003 Visual impairment (disorder)	Visual impairment that impacts on communication
288579009 Difficulty communicating (finding)	
386806002 Impaired cognition (finding) Preferred synonym: cognitive impairment	Cognitive impairment that affects communication, understanding and decision making- includes learning disability and dementia
325541000000106 Unable to summon help in emergency (finding)	

914271000000103 Impaired ability to recognise safety risks (finding)	
750691000000106 No known disability (situation)	
703154009 Patient reports no current disability (situation)	
Other disability (free text)	

Read CTV3

Disability	Definition
XE0s9 Hearing loss	Hearing loss that impacts on verbal communication
XE16L Impaired vision	Visual impairment that impacts on communication
Xa4Cq Difficulty communicating	
Ua189 Impaired cognition Preferred synonym: cognitive impairment	Cognitive impairment that affects communication, understanding and decision making- includes learning disability and dementia
Xaato Unable to summon help in emergency	
XabGs Impaired ability to recognise safety risks	
XaX0D No known disability	
XaaYD Patient reports no current disability	
Other disability (free text)	

Read V2

Disability	Definition
F5A.. Hearing impairment	Hearing loss that impacts on verbal communication
F49D. Visual impairment	Visual impairment that impacts on communication
13oB. Difficulty communicating	

28E3. Cognitive impairment Preferred synonym: cognitive impairment	Cognitive impairment that affects communication, understanding and decision making- includes learning disability and dementia
1PA0. Unable to summon help in emergency	
13i2. Impaired ability to recognise safety risks	
115M. No known disability	
11520 Patient reports no current disability	
Other disability (free text)	

Data entry status

Required

Content element number and name

29. Functional status

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED read codes as stated below

Description

Assessment of an individual's ability to perform normal daily activities required to meet basic needs, fulfil usual roles, and maintain health and well-being.

Requirement

An understanding of the functional status of the individual supports those caring for the person to plan appropriate care and to ensure that the required facilities are provided.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

Modified Karnofsky performance status scale

100%	Normal, no complaints or evidence of disease
90%	Able to carry on normal activity, minor signs or activity
80%	Normal activity with some effort, some signs of symptoms of disease
70%	Care for self, unable to carry on normal activity or to do active work
60%	Occasional assistance but is able to care for most of own needs
50%	Requires considerable assistance and frequent medical care
40%	In bed more than 50% of the time
30%	Almost completely bedfast
20%	Totally bedfast and requiring nursing care by professionals and/or family
10%	Comatose or barely arousable
0%	Dead

901361000000101 | Australia-modified Karnofsky performance status scale (assessment scale) |

901541000000107 | Assessment using Australia-modified Karnofsky performance status scale (procedure) |

901671000000100 | Australia-modified Karnofsky performance status scale score (observable entity) |

Read CTV3

As above

Xab0M | Australia-modified Karnofsky performance status scale |

Read V2

As above

38QF. | Australia-modified Karnofsky performance status scale |

Data entry status

Required

Content element number and name

30. Allergies/adverse drug reactions

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Free text or coded in SNOMED CT/Read CTV3/Read V2. (Suggest that codes conform to SNOMED Classifications).

Description

Details of any allergies or adverse drug reactions that are known for the person.

Requirement

People at the end of their life are often on multiple medicines and these may be prescribed by a range of staff including out of hours services, ambulances, emergency departments. Details on allergies and adverse drug reactions will support medical management of a person when the full medical record is not available.

Source

Autogenerated from Summary Care Record/GP record **OR** Manual.

SNOMED CT

Where allergies and adverse reactions are represented using SNOMED CT, this **MUST** be done in a post coordinated expression (See SCG guidance on the representation of allergies and adverse reaction information using NHS message templates <http://systems.hscic.gov.uk/data/scg/scg0001.pdf> and NPFIT-EP-DB-0007.04 'Representation in electronic patient records of allergic reactions, adverse reactions, and intolerance of pharmaceutical products').

Read CTV3

Capture the allergy/adverse reaction propensity or reaction by local system specification which should include the related specific drug from the Read codes drug and appliance dictionary (or dm+d for non-Read systems) for a given propensity/reaction.

Read V2

Capture the allergy/adverse reaction propensity or reaction by local system specification which should include the related specific drug from the Read codes drug and appliance dictionary (or dm+d for non-Read systems) for a given propensity/reaction.

Data entry status

Required

Content element number and name

31. Anticipatory medicines/just in case box issued

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED/Read codes as stated (suggest that codes conform to SNOMED classifications).

Description

Prospective prescribing of medications to alleviate pain and other symptoms which are anticipated may be experienced at the end of life.

Requirement

To inform those providing care that anticipatory medicines or a just in case box have been issued. These medicines could be administered promptly by appropriate staff if indicated.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

376201000000102 | Issue of palliative care anticipatory medication box (procedure)

871021000000106 | Prescription of palliative care anticipatory medication (procedure)

Read CTV3

XaPmq | Issue of palliative care anticipatory medication box |

XaaD3 | Prescription of palliative care anticipatory medication|

Read V2

8BMM. | Issue of palliative care anticipatory medication box |

8B2a. | Prescription of palliative care anticipatory medication |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

32. Location of anticipatory medicines/just in case box

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element Name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Free text

Description

Details of where anticipatory medicines/just-in-case box is kept.

Requirement

To enable those providing care to access anticipatory medicines if required.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

33. EoLC tool in use? (eg GSF, PPC, other)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED/Read codes as stated

Description

Tools to support delivery of end of life care.

Requirement

To alert those caring for a person that information relating to care and preferences has been recorded.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

414937009 | On gold standards palliative care framework (finding) |
785091000000102 | Preferred priorities for care document completed (situation) |

Read CTV3

XaJv2 | On gold standards palliative care framework |
XaXrX | Preferred priorities for care document completed |

Read V2

8CM1. | On gold standards palliative care framework |
9NgJ. | Preferred priorities for care document completed |

Data entry status

Optional

34. Likely prognosis

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No Entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED/Read codes as stated

Description

A clinical judgement indicating the anticipated period of time until death.

Last days of life (definition: death is likely in <1 week)

Last weeks of life (definition: death is likely in <1 month)

Last months of life (definition: death is likely in <1 year)

Requirement

Used to denote those who are nearing their last months/weeks/days of life but with recognition of the uncertainty related to such a judgement.

Source

Manual

SNOMED

511401000000102 | Last days of life (finding)
955231000000109 | Last weeks of life | (finding)
| Last months of life (finding) | (Code to be released October 2015)

Read CTV3

XaQg1 | Last days of life
XacFk | Last weeks of life |
| Last months of life | (Code to be released October 2015)

Read V2

2JE.. | Last days of life
2Jf.. | Last weeks of life |
| Last months of life | (Code to be released October 2015)

Data entry status

Optional

Note

This data item can only be completed by key worker, GP or responsible clinician.

Content element number and name

35. Advance statement requests and preferences

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Free text

Description

Written requests and preferences made by a person with capacity for their future care should they lose capacity.

Requirement

Advance statements should be used to help find out what somebody's wishes and feelings might be, as part of working out their best interests when they have lost capacity to decide. They are not the same as advance decisions to refuse treatment and are not binding.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

816281000000101 | Has advance statement (Mental Capacity Act 2005) (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaYlc | Has advance statement (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

Read V2

9NgH. | Has advance statement (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

36. Preferred place of death 1st choice

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Death location type code

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

[www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/d/dea/death_location_type_\(preferred\)_de.asp?shownav=1](http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/d/dea/death_location_type_(preferred)_de.asp?shownav=1)

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary codes plus SNOMED/Read codes stated plus free text.

Description

The preferences that an individual has identified as their preferred place to die.

Requirement

To facilitate the planning for place of care as a person approaches the end of life. Avoids the need for multiple agencies to ask a person the same question routinely.

Source

Manual

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

10 Hospital

Acute*

Community**

Other

20 Private residence

21 PATIENT's own home

22 Other private residence (eg relatives home, carers home)

30 Hospice (inpatient specialist palliative care)***

40 Care Home

50 Other (free text eg secure and detained settings)

***Acute hospitals** provide a wide range of specialist care and treatment for patients. Services offered in acute hospitals include:

- consultation with specialist clinicians (consultants, nurses, dieticians, physiotherapists and a wide range of other professionals)
- emergency treatment following accidents
- routine, complex and life-saving surgery
- specialist diagnostic, therapeutic and palliative procedures

www.nrls.npsa.nhs.uk/resources/healthcare-setting/acute-hospital

****The community hospital** is a service that offers integrated health and social care and is supported by community-based professionals (Meads, G. Participate. University of Warwick, 2004).

*****Hospice** includes NHS and voluntary specialist palliative care inpatient beds, including those located in NHS hospitals and on NHS hospital grounds.

SNOMED CT

517111000000103 | Preferred place of death: patient unable to express preference (finding) |
517131000000106 | Preferred place of death: discussion not appropriate (finding) |
766391000000108 | Preferred place of death: patient declined discussion (finding) |
517161000000101 | Preferred place of death: patient undecided (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaQzq | Preferred place of death: patient unable to express preference |
XaQzr | Preferred place of death: discussion not appropriate |
XaXOt | Preferred place of death: patient declined discussion |
XaQzt | Preferred place of death: patient undecided |

Read V2

94Z6. | Preferred place of death: patient unable to express preference |
94Z7. | Preferred place of death: discussion not appropriate |
94ZD. | Preferred place of death: patient declined discussion |
94Z8. | Preferred place of death: patient undecided |

Data entry status

Optional

Notes:

The listed categories for preferred place of death align with the Community Information Data set SCCI1510.

Death in usual place of residence is a key performance indicator for end of life care. IT systems need to provide a prompt to alert professionals when this data item has not been completed.

Content element number and name

37. Preferred place of death organisation name (1st choice)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Organisation name

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/o/org/organisation_name_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

Description

The organisation name of the place that individual has identified as their preferred place to die.

Requirement

To provide clarity on the specific location eg the name of a care home or hospice.

Source

Manual

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

38. Preferred place of death address (1st choice)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element Name

Address (generic)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/classes/a/address_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also: ISB 1500 Address Input and Display.

Description

The address of the place that individual has identified as their preferred place to die.

Requirement

To provide clarity on the specific location eg the address of a care home or relative's address.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

39. Preferred place of death (1st choice) is usual place of residence

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Manual

Description

Information on whether the place that individual has identified as their preferred place to die is their usual place of residence.

Requirement

To support care planning and to allow monitoring of this quality marker.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

819211000000102 | Preferred place of death: usual place of residence (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaYsj | Preferred place of death: usual place of residence |

Read V2

94ZF. | Preferred place of death: usual place of residence |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

40. Preferred place of death 2nd choice

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary codes plus SNOMED/Read codes plus free text as stated in data item 36 Preferred place of death 1st choice.

Description

The second choice for preferred place of death as specified by the person.

Requirement

As above

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

As in data item 36 Preferred place of death 1st choice

Read CTV3

As in data item 36 Preferred place of death 1st choice

Read V2

As in data item 36 Preferred place of death 1st choice

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

41. Preferred place of death organisation name (2nd choice)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Organisation name

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/data_field_notes/o/org/organisation_name_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

Description

The organisation name of the place that individual has identified as their 2nd preferred place to die.

Requirement

To provide clarity on the specific location eg the name of a care home or hospice.

Source

Manual

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

42. Preferred place of death address (2nd choice)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Address (generic)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/data_dictionary/classes/a/address_de.asp?shownav=1

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary

See also: ISB 1500 Address Input and Display.

Description

The address of the place that individual has identified as their 2nd preferred place to die.

Requirement

To provide clarity on the specific location eg the address of a care home or relative's address.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

43. Preferred place of death (2nd choice) is usual place of residence

NHS data model and dictionary element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Manual

Description

Information on whether the place that individual has identified as their 2nd preferred place to die is their usual place of residence.

Requirement

To support care planning and to allow monitoring of this quality marker.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

819211000000102 | Preferred place of death: usual place of residence (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaYsj | Preferred place of death: usual place of residence |

Read V2

94ZF. | Preferred place of death: usual place of residence |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

44. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED/Read codes as stated.

In addition a free text field for 'Resuscitation status unknown' with accompanying guidance to type 'unknown'.

Description

The senior responsible clinician for a person may record their opinion and recommendation for future management should a cardiopulmonary arrest occur as '**Do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation**' (**DNACPR**) orders in the following circumstances:

1. Where cardiac or respiratory arrest is an expected part of the dying process and it is the opinion of the senior responsible clinician that attempted cardiopulmonary resuscitation would be unsuccessful or the outcome would be unacceptably burdensome for the person.
2. Where a person has given instructions that, in the event of cardiopulmonary arrest, they do not want attempted cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Some patients with capacity to make their own decision may refuse attempted cardiopulmonary resuscitation in advance. These decisions have to be registered as part of an advance decision to refuse treatment (ADRT).

Requirement

To ensure that all healthcare professionals involved in an individual's care are aware of the decision that an attempt at cardiopulmonary resuscitation would not be successful or would not be in the person's best interests. Recording of DNACPR decisions will support professional decision making should a cardiopulmonary arrest occur and will avoid the carrying out of invasive procedures on a person when a clinical decision has already been made that to attempt resuscitation would not be in the person's interest.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

450475007 | For attempted cardiopulmonary resuscitation (finding) |
450476008 | Not for attempted cardiopulmonary resuscitation (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaZVX | For attempted cardiopulmonary resuscitation |
XaZ9c | Not for attempted CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) |

Read V2

1R00. | For attempted cardiopulmonary resuscitation |
1R10. | Not for attempted CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

45. Date of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Date an10 CCYY-MM-DD

See also ISB 1502 Date and Time Input and ISB 1503 Date Display

Description

Date that the cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision was made.

Requirement

In the case of multiple DNACPR documents, to provide clarity for those caring for the person at the time of a cardio-pulmonary arrest, on the current decision.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

46. Date for review of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Date an10 CCYY-MM-DD

See also ISB 1502 Date and Time Input and ISB 1503 Date Display.

Description

Date set by the responsible clinician for the cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision to be reviewed.

Requirement

To support timely review of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decisions and so provide carers with an accurate record of the current cardio pulmonary resuscitation status.

Source

Autogenerated

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

47. Location of cardiopulmonary resuscitation documentation

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Free text

Description

Details of where the original copy of the DNACPR documentation is kept. Optional – an upload of the document.

Requirement

To provide those caring for the person at the time of a cardiopulmonary arrest with access to robust information to guide their actions.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

48. Awareness of cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Coded in SNOMED CT/Read CTV3/Read V2. (Suggest that codes conform to SNOMED Classifications).

Description

Whether the person and their family member/carer have been informed of the clinical decision made regarding cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Requirement

To provide clarity for staff on the information that has been given to the person and their family and carers to support their conversations with people and their families.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

845151000000104 | Not aware of do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision (finding) |

| Family member informed of cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision (situation) |

Code to be published in October 2015

| Carer informed of cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision (situation) | Code to be published in October 2015

Read CTV3

XaZZn | Not aware of do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision |

| Family member informed of cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision | Code to be published in October 2015

| Carer informed of cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision | Code to be published in October 2015

Read V2

9NgV. | Not aware of do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision |
| Family member informed of cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision | Code to be
published in October 2015

Carer informed of cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision | Code to be published in
October 2015

Data entry status

Optional

Notes

Not aware of do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation clinical decision relates to the
individual ie the patient is not aware of the decision.

More than one option can be selected for this data item.

Content element number and name

49. Person has made an advance decision to refuse treatment

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED/Read codes as stated

Description

An advance decision to refuse treatment (ADRT) is a decision to refuse a specific treatment made in advance by a person who has capacity to do so. This decision only applies at a future time when that person lacks capacity to consent to, or refuse, the specified treatment.

Requirement

To alert those caring for a person are aware that the person has made decisions regarding their future care in the event that they lose capacity.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

816301000000100 | Has advance decision to refuse treatment (Mental Capacity Act 2005) (finding) |

816321000000109 | Has advance decision to refuse life sustaining treatment (Mental Capacity Act 2005) (finding) |

820621000000107 | Has involved healthcare professional in discussion about advance decision to refuse treatment (Mental Capacity Act 2005) (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaYld | Has ADRT (advance decision to refuse treatment) (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

XaYle | Has advance decision to refuse life sustaining treatment (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

XaYv4 | Has involved healthcare professional in discussion about ADRT (advance decision to refuse treatment) (Mental Capacity Act 2005)|

Read V2

9NgG. | Has ADRT (advance decision to refuse treatment) (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

9NgG0 | Has advance decision to refuse life sustaining treatment (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

9NgK. | Has involved healthcare professional in discussion about ADRT (advance decision to refuse treatment) (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

50. Location of advance decision to refuse treatment documentation

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Free text

Description

Details of where the original ADRT documentation is kept or an upload of the document.

Requirement

To avoid carrying out an invasive procedure on a person when a clinical decision would not be in the person's best interests.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

51. Name of Lasting Power of Attorney for personal welfare

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary and e-gif as shown in Person Full Name.

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display.

Description

Name of person appointed as Lasting Power of Attorney for personal welfare

Requirement

It is important that all staff caring for a person can access any advanced care plans or identify the person who holds lasting power of attorney in the event that a person loses mental capacity. This will ensure that a person's wishes can be taken into account.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

52. Authority of LPA

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

SNOMED/Read codes as stated.

Description

The type of LPA for personal welfare that has been given

1: without authority for life sustaining decisions

2: with authority for life sustaining decisions

Requirement

To provide staff caring for the person with an understanding of the authority that has been granted to the LPA which will support communication with LPA and prompt delivery of appropriate care.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

816361000000101 | Has appointed person with personal welfare lasting power of attorney (Mental Capacity Act 2005) (finding) |

816381000000105 | Has appointed person with personal welfare lasting power of attorney with authority for life sustaining decisions (Mental Capacity Act 2005) (finding) |

Read CTV3

XaYlg | Has appointed person with personal welfare lasting power of attorney (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

XaYlh | Has appointed person with personal welfare lasting power of attorney with authority for life sustaining decisions (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

Read V2

9W8.. | Has appointed person with personal welfare lasting power of attorney (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

9W80. | Has appointed person with personal welfare lasting power of attorney with authority for life sustaining decisions (Mental Capacity Act 2005) |

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

53. Telephone number(s) concerning Lasting Power of Attorney

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary given as shown in Contact telephone number.

See also: ISB 1508 Telephone Number Input and Display.

Description

Telephone numbers of person that has been appointed by the person as a LPA.

Requirement

It will enable the person who holds lasting power of attorney to be contacted easily, in the event of a decision needing to be taken, to ensure the person at the end of life has their wishes taken into account.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

54. Name of additional person to be involved in decisions (1)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary and e-gif as shown in Person Full Name.

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display.

Description

The name of the first person that the individual, with capacity, has identified in an advance statement, to be consulted on decisions about their care in the event that they lose mental capacity.

Requirement

A person may also have indicated that others should be involved in their care should they lose capacity. To provide all staff with the information to support the wishes of the person approaching the end of their life.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

55. Telephone number of person (1) to be involved in decisions

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary given as shown in Contact telephone number.

See also: ISB 1508 Telephone Number Input and Display.

Description

The contact telephone details of the first person (other than LPA) that the individual, with capacity, has identified in an advance statement, to be consulted on decisions about their care in the event that they lose mental capacity.

Requirement

To enable staff to make prompt contact with the person to provide guidance on decisions for care and so support the wishes of the person approaching the end of their life.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

56. Name of additional person to be involved in decisions (2)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary and e-gif as shown in Person Full Name.

See also ISB 1506 Patient Name Input and Display.

Description

The name of the second person (other than LPA) that the individual, with capacity, has identified in an advance statement, to be consulted on decisions about their care in the event that they lose mental capacity.

Requirement

A person may also have indicated that others should be involved in their care should they lose capacity. To provide all staff with the information to support the wishes of the person approaching the end of their life.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

57. Telephone number of person (2) to be involved in decisions

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Suggest use and reference formats used in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary given as shown in Contact telephone number.

See also: ISB 1508 Telephone Number Input and Display.

Description

The contact telephone details of the second person (other than LPA) that the individual, with capacity, has identified in an advance statement, to be consulted on decisions about their care in the event that they lose mental capacity.

Requirement

To enable staff to make prompt contact with the person to provide guidance on decisions for care and so support the wishes of the person approaching the end of their life.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

58. Other relevant issues or preferences about provision of care

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

No entry

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Free text

Description

Non-medical issues, or instructions from the person about the provision of their care.

May include:

- any religious/spiritual/cultural needs
- other instructions from the person about their care
- organ donation decision
- lives alone
- other social issues
- preferences for renal dialysis

Requirement

To enable the recording of other instructions that the person has regarding their care at end of life.

Source

Manual

SNOMED CT

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Optional

Content element number and name

59. Date of death

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Person death date

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

Date an10 CCYY-MM-DD

See ISB 1503 Date Display

Description

The date on which a PERSON died or is officially deemed to have died, as recorded on the death certificate.

Requirement

To complete the record and inform formal carers that an individual has died. To enable organisations to assessment whether individuals achieve their preferences for place of death.

Source

Manual
NHS Data Model and Dictionary

SNOMED

N/A

Read CTV3

N/A

Read V2

N/A

Data entry status

Required

Content element number and name

60. Actual place of death

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Element name

Death location type code (ACTUAL)

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Note

N/A

Format

NHS Data Model and Dictionary codes PLUS SNOMED/Read code.

Description

The LOCATION where the PATIENT actually died.

Requirement

To inform formal carers that an individual has died. To enable organisations to assess whether individuals achieve their preference for place of death.

Source

Manual
NHS Data Model and Dictionary

10 Hospital

acute*
community**
other

20 Private residence

21 PATIENT's own home
22 Other private residence (eg relatives home, carers home)

30 Hospice (inpatient specialist palliative care)***

40 Care Home

50 Other (free text eg secure and detained settings)

***Acute hospitals** provide a wide range of specialist care and treatment for patients. Services offered in acute hospitals include:

- consultation with specialist clinicians (consultants, nurses, dieticians, physiotherapists and a wide range of other professionals)
- emergency treatment following accidents
- routine, complex and life-saving surgery

- specialist diagnostic, therapeutic and palliative procedures

www.nrls.npsa.nhs.uk/resources/healthcare-setting/acute-hospital

****The community hospital** is a service that offers integrated health and social care and is supported by community-based professionals (Meads, G. Participate. University of Warwick, 2004).

***** Hospice** includes NHS and voluntary specialist palliative care inpatient beds, including those located in NHS hospitals and on NHS hospital grounds.

SNOMED

887801000000106 | Patient died in usual place of residence (finding) |

Read CTV3

Xaafy | Patient died in usual place of residence |

Read V2

949E. | Patient died in usual place of residence |

Data entry status

Optional