

Information Standards Notice – Conversion

Following recommendation by the Standardisation Committee for Care Information (SCCI), the Department of Health has provided authority to publish the following information standard under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

This information standard was formerly approved by the Information Standards Board for Health and Social Care (ISB).

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Standard details	
SCCI unique identifier	SCCI0052 Amd 13/2013
Name	Dictionary of Medicines and Devices (dm+d): Conversion
Acceptance date	27 March 2017
Approval date	28 March 2017
Publication date	7 April 2017
Standard definition	
Description	<p>This information standard is a dictionary for use in the National Health Service (NHS) of medicines licensed in the United Kingdom.</p> <p>It comprises:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A model of the components required to represent a medicine used in patient care, along with additional components specific to the reimbursement process used in primary care. b) Content that is maintained and distributed according to approved policies and processes. c) A governance structure that supports requirements for an evolving but stable set of implementable terminology products. d) Identification of medicines within the supply chain by the inclusion of GS1 GTIN codes where known. <p>The scope of the standard in terms of content is for medicines only; medical devices are currently excluded. The primary purpose is to support interoperability. Therefore electronic systems that exchange or share information about medicines relating directly to a patient's care must adhere to the standard by using dm+d identifiers and descriptions when transferring information.</p> <p>dm+d was initially approved by ISB in July 2012, with a subsequent release published in August 2013. In April 2014, SCCI replaced ISB; it makes recommendation to the Department of Health and / or NHS England on the publication of information standards. In this instance, SCCI has worked with the developer to ensure the information standard is fit to be published under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 without making changes to the substantive content of the information standard.</p>

Scope (Health and Social Care Act 2012)	NHS Services
Applies to	<p>Health and Care Organisations purchasing systems that support recording and communication of information about medicines.</p> <p>Health and Care Organisations using information about medicines for purposes such as reimbursement, pharmacovigilance, drug utilisation and elements of the supply chain.</p>
Impacts upon	<p>Suppliers of IT systems that support recording and communication of information about medicines used in patient care including, but not limited to: e-prescribing, administration, dispensing, medication history, reimbursement. No changes are required to those electronic systems already using dm+d. No changes are made to the distribution of data files.</p> <p>Pharmaceutical companies: no changes need to be made by pharmaceutical companies supplying product details for use in dm+d. No changes to the submission process are introduced.</p>
Legal authority	This information standard is published under section 250 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
Link to further documentation	<p>The Requirements Specification and Implementation Guidance are available on the NHS Digital website:</p> <p>http://content.digital.nhs.uk/isce/publication/scci0052</p>
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Dates	
Full conformance date	Conformance with this information standard is due by 30 June 2017. This Notice does not extend this conformance date.
Post Implementation Review date	30 June 2018

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