

Consultation Response Form

Fundamental Review of Data Returns.

Closing date for responses: **22 November 2011**

Please fill in and/or tick the appropriate response.

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Freedom of Information

We manage the information you provide in response to this consultation in accordance with the Department of Health's [Information Charter](#).

Information provided in response to this consultation, including personal information, may be published or disclosed in accordance with the access to information regimes. The relevant legislation in this context is the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA).

If you want the information that you provide to be treated as confidential, please be aware that, under the FOIA, there is a statutory Code of Practice with which public authorities must comply

Area of work:

NHS	
Social Care	yes
Private Health	
Third Sector	
Regulatory Body	
Professional Body	
Education	
Trade Union	
Local Authority	
Trade Body	
Other (Please give details)	
Independent Contractor to NHS [
Manufacturer	
Supplier	
Other (where relevant)	

In which of the following areas do you live: (please tick <u>one</u> box only)	
North East	
North West	
West Midlands	
South East	
London	
Humberside/Yorkshire	
East Midlands	
East of England	
South West	
No answer	

If you are responding on behalf of an organisation, please indicate which type of organisation you represent:

NHS	
Social Care	yes
Private Health/Independent Sector	
Third Sector	
Regulatory Body	
Professional Body	yes
Education	
Trade Union	
Local Authority	yes
Trade Body	
Other (Please give details)	

1 What is your sex? *
Tick one box only.

Male

Female

Prefer not to say

2 What is your Age?*

Age	
Prefer not to say	

3 Are your day to day activities limited because of any health problem or disability which has lasted, or is expected to last at least 12 months?

Tick one box only.

Yes, limited	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, limited, a little	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>

4 Do you look after, or give any help or support to family members, friends, neighbours or others because of either long term physical or mental ill-health/disability or problems related to old age?

Tick one box only.

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>

5 What is your ethnic group?

Tick one box only.

A White

British

Irish

Any other White background, write

B Mixed

White and Black

White and Black African

White and Asian

Any other Mixed background, write

C Asian, or Asian British

Indian

Pakistani

Bangladeshi

Any other Asian background, write

D Black, or Black British

Caribbean

African

Any other Black background, write

E Chinese, or other ethnic group

Chinese

Any other, write below

F Prefer not to say

6 What is your religion or belief?

Tick one box only.

Christian includes Church of Wales, Catholic, Protestant and all other Christian denominations.

- None
- Christian
- Buddhist
- Hindu
- Jewish
- Muslim
- Sikh
- Prefer not to say

Other, write below

7 Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?

Tick one box only.

Only answer this question if you are aged **16** years or over.

- Heterosexual Straight
- Lesbian / Gay Woman
- Gay Man
- Bisexual
- Prefer not to say

Other, write below

Fundamental Review of Data Returns

Consultation Questions

Q1: Are there any other data returns that the review has not identified that are requested by the Department of Health or its Arms-Length Bodies?
(see Annex D and F)

Yes	
No	

Comments

Q2: Do you agree with the findings of the review, in terms of retain recommendations?

Yes	
No	

Comments

Q3: Do you agree with the findings of the review, in terms of discontinue recommendations?

Yes	
No	

Comments

Q4: Do you agree with the findings of the review, in terms of further work required recommendations?
(please see annexes D and F for detailed information relating to individual data returns)

Yes	
No	

Comments

Q5: Will these recommendations have any other impact, positive or negative, that we have not identified?

Yes	
No	

Comments

Q6: Will the proposed changes to Official or National Statistics have an impact on the uses you make of statistics?

If so, in each case:

- Identify the return and publication affected
- State whether you accept or object
- Explain what you use the affected publication for
- Describe the impact on your use, taking into account the availability of alternative sources
- Give details of any presently unpublished sources you know of that, if published, might be used instead.

Comments

Q7: Where you object to changes can you suggest alternative collections which you feel are of lesser value which might be considered for discontinuation instead?

Comments

Q8: Do you have any other views on related statistical issues?

Comments

Q9: In terms of either themes or individual data returns, what should the priorities be for the second phase of work?

Comments

Q10: Do you have any comments on the ROCR burden estimates identified for data returns?

Comments

Q11: Do you have any comments on the costs/benefits identified in the consultation stage Impact Assessment?

Comments

Q12: Do you have any other comments on the evidence presented in the Impact Assessment?

Comments

Q13: Are there any equalities related issues that our recommendations may impact, in terms of:

- **Disability?**
- **Gender?**
- **Race?**
- **Age?**
- **Gender Reassignment (including transgender)?**
- **Sexual Orientation?**
- **Religion or Belief?**
- **Pregnancy and Maternity?**
- **Carers?**
- **Other?**

Comments

Q14: Do you have any other comments regarding this consultation?

Comments

- Re Point 3.42 ADASS supports the focus upon a single common data set that reflect the outcomes achieved locally and ADASS welcomes the DH commitment to coordinate this Fundamental Data Review of NHS Returns with the Zero Based Review of Adult Social Care Returns to support integration, consistency and transparency across health and social care
- Re point 3.43 ADASS supports the principle of holistic local data on health and social care outcomes that underpin shared commissioning priorities, to be articulated in the JSNAs and the emerging local Health and Wellbeing strategies
- Re 3.44 ADASS welcomes further work on data returns, particularly those relating to Public Health, which under the health and social care reforms transfers to local authorities.
- Re 3.44 It should be noted that the additional burden posed to Local Authorities through transferring 50 or so Public Health returns cannot be under-estimated. In addition to this, a significant number of the returns would currently pose an insurmountable challenge for Local Authorities in terms of data collation and submission
- Re 3.44 ADASS recommends that all Public Health returns proposed for retention, be also reviewed for feasibility of data collection, validation and submission by the Local Authority, as well as evaluating the additional burden that they will place on Local Authorities, and ADASS welcomes further debate with DH on this important matter.

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