



**Professional
Record
Standards
Body**

Advisory Board Briefing Note 30 January 2019

This briefing note provides a summary of the key information for sharing and actions for members arising from the 30 January Advisory Board. It is intended as an aide memoire for Advisory Board members and for onward distribution within your organisations as appropriate.

1. RCP e-discharge training resource implementation review

The Royal College of Physicians (RCP) have developed and delivered an educational resource using PRSB standards with the aim of improving the quality of discharge summaries. This resource has been piloted on trainee doctors, within groups and independently, who feedback that the resource improved their confidence and gave them a greater understanding of the recipients of the discharge summary. The tool has been received really well and is being introduced across the UK for Physician Associates training. Committed to supporting implementation, we are keen to help distribute this valuable resource further and we would be grateful if you could **share it within your networks**. You can find more information and the free resource [here](#).

2. Standard for a common core patient record

PRSB are working to define a common core record standard. The work has been prompted by NHS England and the Local Health and Care Record (LHCR) programme where 5 health and care systems across the country (who are already well ahead with integrated care records) will be early adopters of the standard and accelerate learning and the pace of change nationally. The record standard will be relevant to all health and care systems and all UK nations. Once adopted, it will enable a profound shift in care and all PRSB members are encouraged to be actively involved in this development. Citizens, patients and carers are at the forefront of this work and the record standard should enable the achievement of the goal of people having more access to their information and taking more responsibility for their care.

Each of the LHCR areas are also focusing on different areas of care besides the core record:

Greater Manchester - Delirium, Dementia, Frailty

OneLondon - Urgent & Emergency Care

Thames Valley - Cancer, Diabetes, Frailty

Wessex - Long-term Conditions (including Cancer), Maternity

Yorks & Humber - Cancer, Urgent & Emergency Care

In the next few months, we will be developing the standard content further in important areas including mental health, social care, end of life, maternity and child health, encounters and appointments and patient and carer needs.

Important dates to note:

End of Life webinar - Tuesday 19th February at 10.30 am - 12 pm

Patient focus group - Wednesday 20th February at 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Social Care webinar - Tuesday 26th February at 10 am - 12 pm

Maternity and Child Health webinar - Tuesday 26th February at 10.30 am - 12 pm

Mental Health webinar - Tuesday 26th February at 2 pm - 3.30 pm

Patient and Carer needs webinar - Wednesday 27th February at 10 am - 12 pm

National workshop – Tuesday 5th March at 10 am - 4 pm

National survey – going live 25th March

This is a very significant development and vital that all PRSB members are closely involved and have their say.

If you have received a workshop invitation, please respond as spaces are limited. If you would like to be involved in any of the webinars or you have any questions or suggestions, please email support@theprsb.org. Survey details will be sent out nearer the time.

3. Academy Survey

We are working with the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges to survey medical staff regarding their experiences and needs to use digital effectively. We hope to extend this to all care professions represented by our members in due course with Academy members as the first step. The intent is that the survey leads to co-produced action plans that target the issues and opportunities identified by the survey and which enable clinicians to engage more effectively with digital. You can view the

first draft of the survey questions through the following link: [Academy of Medical Royal Colleges questions.docx](#)

We would welcome any feedback and suggestions on the questions that should be included in the survey. Please send responses to support@theprsb.org.

4. Computable and Interoperable Medication Records

This work is addressing the issue of safely and efficiently exchanging and reconciling medications and dosage information recorded in varying formats (dose based, and product based) between secondary care and General Practice, Community Pharmacy and other settings. Consultation for the project is live, for details of the webinars or survey please visit our [website](#) for details of how to get involved and have your say.

5. Diagnosis recording

PRSB and the Royal College of Physicians have developed a set of guidance for recording of diagnosis. The standard for recording of diagnosis is well established but this work concerns the training and advice to clinicians regarding how this element of the record should be used. The work was prompted when it was found that 49% of dementia diagnoses disappeared from patient records. The guidance is being finalised and will be circulated to members shortly.

6. Other standards and Projects on the horizon requiring your input:

- Standardisation of Pathology test results and units of measure
- Standard for ambulance handover to Emergency Discharge – revision of previous work.

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