



Advisory Board actions and key messages 23rd January 2020

This note provides a summary of the key information for sharing and actions for members arising from the 23rd January Advisory Board. It is intended as an aide memoire for Advisory Board members and for onward distribution within your organisations as appropriate.

New strategic partnership

In October we wrote to you regarding some significant challenges we faced with future funding. Thank you to all our members for the overwhelming vote of confidence provided, this was key for demonstrating the value we bring and the strong support of our member organisations. In December 2019, our Chair, Vice Chair and CEO met with Matthew Gould (CEO) of NHSX. Matthew confirmed his desire for a more strategic partnership with PRSB, recognising the unique value provided by our members towards digitisation. As a result, a funding approach has been agreed and we are establishing a memorandum of understanding and cross-system strategy sponsorship board. **We will seek members endorsement of this in due course.**

We are continuing to review options for strengthening our partnership with the North of England CSU and will report back on plans in the near future.

Time savings for GPs

GPs have reported a **five-minute saving per patient, per medication update** in a successful Leeds pilot of the pharmacy information flows in respect of vaccination information flowing from community pharmacies to GP practices. This functionality is now approved for wider roll-out and there will be further pilots to follow for the other standards developed (medication reviews, community pharmacist consultation service (CPCS) etc), to enable pharmacies to share vital information about a person's care with GP practices and other services.

CQC and system alignment

Implementation is the ultimate goal for all the standards we produce, and regulators are key to this, to ensure everything in the system is pulling the same way. We are scheduled to meet with their policy teams to start progressing how the regulatory framework could align with our standards. With our existing work with NICE, this will make it easier for people to comply.

We hope to be able to report adoption of other PRSB standards in the very near future.

Information governance

NHSX will host the portal for information governance (IG) advice to the health and care sector in England, bringing strategic IG into one place to provide clear and consistent advice. Information governance is an area we undoubtedly have an interest in, ensuring information about people's health and care can be safely accessed, wherever it is needed. Clear IG advice is essential to ensuring we reap the benefits of standardised health and social care records safely.

The IG policy team would like PRSB members views on the following questions:

1. How can we ensure IG guidance is consistent, communicated effectively and implemented by the health and care system?
2. How we can ensure that there is one approach to proxy access to information across programmes? What do you see as the challenges?

A series of questions were raised in the meeting, NHSX will be getting back to us with their responses.

Please email answers and any further questions or thoughts to vicki.beresford@nhs.uk.

Setting our strategic direction

PRSB are developing our strategic objectives, business plan and priorities in consultation with our members. The Advisory Board gave us the opportunity to make connections between our standards strategy and the wider professional strategies of the member organisations which was very helpful. We are being given the opportunity to influence the strategic priorities nationally, we can only do so effectively if we have a clear view of our members' individual and collective priorities. We will be updating our strategy to reflect discussions and feedback from the Advisory Board. If you think we would benefit from having conversations with your **policy teams, please put us in touch**. We will share the next iteration in the coming weeks for comment and final sign off for members. **Please schedule time for review as we aim to finalise the strategy by the end of March.**

Pathology Governance Board

A new NHS Digital Pathology Standards Governance Board has been formed to support the standardising of the coding of pathology test requests and results. The role of the board is to ensure we have a high-quality single list of tests for pathology, and clinically safe and effective processes for maintaining them.

The first meetings began at the end of 2019, and the board includes clinicians, patients and technical specialists. If your organisation is not represented on the board and you think it should be, **please email info@theprsb.org and we will pass your details on to NHS Digital.**

Opportunity for undergraduate students

Registration has opened for an educational competition run by HL7 UK. Interested parties are required to develop a demonstrator solution using artefacts from the [FHIR Clinical Reasoning module](#) for a specified clinical use case. The successful team will win an all-expenses-paid trip to Amsterdam in November 2020 to participate in [FHIR DevDays](#). This includes three days at the event along with flights and accommodation and the opportunity to develop, learn and network with international experts. **Any interested students should register [here](#).**

Advisory board papers:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/vpu7ccax1y6u3p5/AAApEPXvnlUuGDOmYy6Us2yoa?dl=0>

Published standards	
Information on current published PRSB standards can be found on the PRSB website at www.theprsb.org/standards	
Digitising GP Lloyd George Records Review and consult on guidance and standards for fully digitising Lloyd George patient records so that GP records will meet NHS England's commitment to a 'paperless' NHS by 2023/24.	To be published imminently
Pharmacogenomics To develop guidance for setting and using alerts where genetic variance impacts on prescribing for a person.	In review for publication
Pre-primary care One-off bespoke review a pre-primary care application and its processes.	Review started
The Doctor's Downloads Validate the preliminary findings from the online conversation with 450 doctors about their digital experiences and expectations with additional respondents.	In review for publication

Pending endorsement

Endorsement being sought from relevant member organisations – please ensure you know if you are an agreed endorser and if so, you can provide endorsement by the due date. Email us at info@theprsb.org if you have a concern.

Ambulance to ED

Enable the electronic transfer of an ambulance report from the ambulance service to hospitals and other urgent and emergency care services.

Final endorsement outstanding

Core Information Standard

Enable local organisations to share information safely and securely as people in their care move between different parts of the NHS and social care.

Final endorsement outstanding

Digital Medications Information

Guidance to define how medication dose and timings are communicated digitally between systems in all care settings.

Final endorsement outstanding

On the horizon

New standard developments starting or planning in the next quarter. Please advise us of your interest info@theprsb.org.

Social Care Pathfinder Projects Assurance

Bidding to work with NHS Digital to help adult social care to join up its IT systems with the health sector by assuring a range of local products to become national standards.

Pending procurement

Local Health and Care Record (LHCR) implementation

Anticipating tender to provide support to LHCR areas for technical implementation of the core information standards.

Pending procurement

Local Health and Care Record (LHCR) metadata standard

Anticipating tender to build on previous work identifying how document are named consistently and standardised.

Anticipated pending procurement