

Information Standards Notice – New Standard

The ISB has approved a new information standard. You should comply with it by the implementation date specified below. Further information is available on www.isb.nhs.uk or by emailing isb@nhs.net.

Standard	
Date Published	26/09/2011
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Implementation Completion Date	01/04/2014
Standard Number	ISB 1533
Title	Systemic Anti-Cancer Therapy Data Set
Description	<p>The standard specifies a data set for use at both national and local levels to generate secondary uses information about systemic anti-cancer therapy (chemotherapy) to assist in achieving, supporting and monitoring the Cancer Reform Strategy.</p> <p>All patients receiving cancer chemotherapy in or funded by the NHS in England are covered by the standard. This includes adult and paediatric cancer patients receiving chemotherapy treatment for solid tumours and haematological malignancies, including patients in clinical trials.</p> <p>Trusts providing cancer chemotherapy services are required to provide a monthly return on all chemotherapy activity using this data set. There is a phased implementation of these monthly returns from April 2012 to April 2014, depending on the implementation of electronic prescribing within trusts. Details of the timetable are included in the standard specification.</p> <p>The standard may also inform design of electronic prescribing and other clinical systems as it defines, for consistent use, terms such as regimen and cycle that are used in chemotherapy prescribing and administration for individual patients.</p> <p>The data set has been approved by the Review of Central Returns Steering Committee – ROCR – reference number ROCR/OR/2110/001MAND.</p>
Applies to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer centres and all other providers of NHS commissioned cancer chemotherapy services • Developers and suppliers of electronic prescribing systems for use in NHS and NHS commissioned cancer services • Organisations purchasing electronic prescribing systems for use in cancer services • Users of secondary data about chemotherapy services, including providers and commissioners of cancer services, clinical trials bodies, cancer research organisations, cancer registries, National Cancer Action Team, Department of Health and relevant Royal Colleges. <p>Does not apply to:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemotherapy given to treat patients with a diagnosis other than cancer, e.g dermatological or rheumatological conditions..
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