

Quarterly Prevent Data Returns



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- Prevent has been a contractual requirement of the standard NHS contract and a statutory duty for NHS Trusts since April 2015.
- NHSE&I expects all NHS Trusts, or organisations providing NHS funded care commissioned by the Standard NHS Contract, to complete the quarterly Prevent data return and ensure that a copy is sent to their lead commissioner.
- NHS Trusts should also complete and submit the same data via NHS digital and this is, in turn, sent to Home Office and Department of Health and Social Care for their oversight and scrutiny.
- The **quarterly data return** affords an opportunity for provider Prevent performance to be assessed by their commissioner to ensure contractual and statutory compliance.
- In order to gain assurance the data return check should be supplemented via other assurance processes i.e. quality visits.

THE PROVIDER PREVENT LEADS (Operational and Accountable):

- The provider Prevent Leads will be responsible for the completion and return of the quarterly Prevent data return.
- In the case of NHS Trusts this should be both via NHS Digital and an electronic copy to commissioner. For non NHS Trusts this is just via a return to the commissioner using the same dataset.
- Returns should be checked prior to submission to ensure data integrity **and** performance accuracy.
- Areas for improvement should be noted and action plans copied to commissioner along with the data return.

THE COMMISSIONER PREVENT LEAD:

- The Prevent Lead should evaluate the quarterly return to ensure basic data integrity prior to evaluating provider performance and compliance.
- Areas of less than adequate performance should be escalated and managed as part of contractual compliance.
- Commissioners will be responsible for managing any potential contractual issues resulting from a provider's failure to submit data.

WHAT COULD THE DATA INDICATE?

Training:

- Prevent returns should be reviewed to ensure that staffing numbers are correct and that providers are achieving **the 85% training compliance target** for both Levels 1/2 and Level 3 staffing cohorts as a minimum.
- Assurance should also be sought that **the training needs analysis** for Level 3 is reasonable, assessed against regional/national averages.
- If not compliant, or figures appear unrealistic, then further scrutiny and rectification assurance should be sought.
- Is **refresher training** current, containing appropriate training outcomes and fit for purpose.

Activity

- The level of general enquiries received can be an indicator of the impact of training delivery and should be assessed quarterly and by analysing trends on an ongoing basis
- The number of **onward referrals into Prevent** should be considered to ensure that cases are triaged appropriately

Engagement

- Are providers appropriately **linked to Channel** and, is a mental health provider, represented at every panel meeting?
- Is the provider represented/linked appropriately in the local Prevent network i.e. Counter Terrorism Local Profile CONTEST or **Prevent Boards?**

Governance

- Does the provider have an up to date Prevent policy and a **current Prevent training policy** and/or **Prevent Delivery plan?**

Mental Health

- Are requests from Channel/police responded to appropriately by offering a mental health **assessment within 7 days** as per Prevent Mental Health guidance.

The data returns should be used to inform the questions, to challenge and confirm, and should form the basis for an assured partnership approach between provider and commissioner.

SDCS SUBMISSION OF DATA

Prevent assurance returns on the **prescribed profoma** are made to NHSE&I electronically via SDCS. Details on how to register with SDCS and can be found [here](#) or by contacting data.collections@nhs.net

NB Only two people per organisation can register as data submitters and they must use their personal work email addresses. (SDCS do not accept generic team email addresses.). Swapping a user account to a different person, e.g. in the case of annual leave, is a simple process and can be requested by email to data.collections@nhs.net. As many people as required can set up a Single Sign On account.