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Welcome to the National Clinical Content List circular. This has been produced by the National Clinical Content Service within the Department of Health Informatics Directorate and is a high level list of the work undertaken by this team. The purpose of this document is to reflect the information which is currently contained on the National Clinical Content Repository (NCCR).

The items in this document have either been recommended for use by specific clinical communities, such as the selection of Occupational Therapy tools which were supported by the College of Occupational Therapists or have been approved as national standards by professional bodies, such as the Renal Work which has been endorsed by the Renal Information Exchange Group (RIXG) and The Renal Advisory Group (RAG).

Please cascade to anyone involved or interested in clinical content.

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The National Clinical Content Repository (NCCR) publishes and shares Clinical Data Standards and NHS licensed third party owned content with Trusts and practices. This includes the provision of:

- Forms, Scales and Assessments (e.g. Waterlow Pressure Sore Risk assessment or the Alcohol Withdrawal Scale),
- Anatomical diagrams and drawings (e.g. diagrams of human body parts to annotate in a clinical setting),
- Patient Reported Outcomes Measures (PROMS) (e.g. Oxford Hip and Knee Scores),
- Technical clinical content such as archetypes, value or reference sets, clinical headings and document metadata (data about data), including document naming,
- Knowledge Representation for Decision Support e.g. Government/DH Initiative or Policy. Standard representations of rules such as warnings if attempting to prescribe digoxin for a patient with a low potassium level),
- Care planning and pathways (e.g. End of Life Care pathway for implementation in Healthcare Systems),
- Clinical content standards (e.g. Academy of Medical Royal Colleges record standards, The Discharge Summary Standard developed by the

Coming soon on the NCCR:

Clinical Documentation and Generic Record Standards (CDGRS) Phase 2 - developed by the Royal College of Physicians (RCP)

In order to collect and record data consistently across the country, and to ensure an increase in reliability and comparability of data, clinical data standards are needed. Clinical data standards should be developed, owned and maintained by the professions in line with clinical accountability.

The Royal College of Physicians has been commissioned with the following work on Generic Record Standards development which starts to address this issue. This work was split into three phases as described below:

Phase 1 of this project was completed in 2008 by the Health Informatics Unit (HIU) at the Royal College of Physicians and approved and endorsed by the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges. This included the development and assurance for the content structure of admission, handover and discharge records of patients admitted to hospital were developed. This supported medic to medic communication for the development of multi-professional professional record keeping standards and can

Royal College of Physicians).

For further information on the work carried out by the Clinical Data Standards Assurance team. Please visit our web page:

[Clinical Record Standards](#)

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be found **[here](#)**.

Phase 2 of this work started in 2010 and is due to complete in Spring 2012. This builds on the work undertaken in Phase 1 and includes the development of:

- Generic Editorial Principles
- Prioritised Core Clinical Headings
- Outpatient Letter Standardised Headings

The outputs from phase 2 will be published on the NCCR in March 2012. Phase 3 of this work is due to commence in 2012 and will build on previous phases. This work is ongoing, If you have any questions regarding this project please contact clinicalcontent@nhs.net.

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