

## Quarterly Reporting Template - Guidance

### Notes for Completion

The data collection template requires the Health & Wellbeing Board to track through the high level metrics and deliverables from the Health & Wellbeing Board Better Care Fund plan.

The completed return will require sign off by the Health & Wellbeing Board.

A completed return must be submitted to the Better Care Support Team inbox (england.bettercaresupport@nhs.net) by midday on 26th February 2016.

### The BCF Q3 Data Collection

This Excel data collection template for Q3 2015-16 focuses on budget arrangements, the national conditions, payment for performance, income and expenditure to and from the fund, and performance on BCF metrics.

To accompany the quarterly data collection Health & Wellbeing Boards are required to provide a written narrative into the final tab to contextualise the information provided in this report and build on comments included elsewhere in the submission. This should include an overview of progress with your BCF plan, the wider integration of health and social care services, and a consideration of any variances against planned performance trajectories or milestones.

### Cell Colour Key

Data needs inputting in the cell

Pre-populated cells

Question not relevant to you

Throughout this template cells requiring a numerical input are restricted to values between 0 and 100,000,000.

### Content

The data collection template consists of 9 sheets:

**Checklist** - This contains a matrix of responses to questions within the data collection template.

**1) Cover Sheet** - this includes basic details and tracks question completion.

**2) Budget arrangements** - this tracks whether Section 75 agreements are in place for pooling funds.

**3) National Conditions** - checklist against the national conditions as set out in the Spending Review.

**4) Non-Elective and Payment for Performance** - this tracks performance against NEL ambitions and associated P4P payments.

**5) Income and Expenditure** - this tracks income into, and expenditure from, pooled budgets over the course of the year.

**6) Metrics** - this tracks performance against the two national metrics, locally set metric and locally defined patient experience metric in BCF plans.

**7) Understanding support needs** - this asks what the key barrier to integration is locally and what support might be required.

**8) New Integration metrics** - additional questions on new metrics that are being developed to measure progress in developing integrated, coordinated, and person centred care

**9) Narrative** - this allows space for the description of overall progress on BCF plan delivery and performance against key indicators.

### Checklist

This sheet contains all the validations for each question in the relevant sections.

All validations have been coloured so that if a value does not pass the validation criteria the cell will be Red and contain the word "No" and if they pass validation they will be coloured Green and contain the word "Yes".

### 1) Cover Sheet

On the cover sheet please enter the following information:

The Health and Well Being Board

Who has completed the report, email and contact number in case any queries arise

Please detail who has signed off the report on behalf of the Health and Well Being Board.

Question completion tracks the number of questions that have been completed, when all the questions in each section of the template have been completed the cell will turn green. Only when all 9 cells are green should the template be sent to [england.bettercaresupport@nhs.net](mailto:england.bettercaresupport@nhs.net)

### 2) Budget Arrangements

This plays back to you your response to the question regarding Section 75 agreements from the Q1 and Q2 2015-16 submissions and requires 2 questions to be answered. Please answer as at the time of completion. If you answered 'Yes' previously the 2 further questions are not applicable and are not required to be answered.

**If your previous submission stated that the funds had not been pooled via a Section 75 agreement, can you now confirm that they have?**

**If the answer to the above is 'No' please indicate when this will happen**

### 3) National Conditions

This section requires the Health & Wellbeing Board to confirm whether the six national conditions detailed in the Better Care Fund Planning Guidance are still on track to be met through the delivery of your plan (<http://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/part-rel/transformation-fund/bcf-plan/>). Please answer as at the time of completion.

It sets out the six conditions and requires the Health & Wellbeing Board to confirm 'Yes', 'No' and 'No - In Progress' that these are on track. If 'No' or 'No - In Progress' is selected please provide a target date when you expect the condition to be met. Please detail in the comments box what the issues are and the actions that are being taken to meet the condition.

'No - In Progress' should be used when a condition has not been fully met but work is underway to achieve it by 31st March 2016.

Full details of the conditions are detailed at the bottom of the page.

### 4) Non-Elective and Payment for Performance

This section tracks performance against NEL ambitions and associated P4P payments. The latest figures for planned activity and costs are provided along with a calculation of the payment for performance payment that should have been made for Q4 - Q2. Two figures are required and one question needs to be answered:

**Input actual Q3 2015-16 Non-Elective Admissions performance (i.e. number of NEAs for that period) - Cell O8**

**Input actual value of P4P payment agreed locally - Cell F19**

**If the actual payment locally agreed is different from the quarterly payment suggested by the automatic calculation in cell AR8 (which is based on your input to cell O8 as above) please explain in the comments box**

**Please confirm what any unreleased funds were used for in Q3 (if any) - Cell F34**

### 5) Income and Expenditure

This tracks income into, and expenditure from, pooled budgets over the course of the year. This requires provision of the following information:

**Forecasted income into the pooled fund for each quarter of the 2015-16 financial year**

**Confirmation of actual income into the pooled fund in Q1 to Q3**

**Forecasted expenditure from the pooled fund for each quarter of the 2015-16 financial year**

**Confirmation of actual expenditure from the pooled fund in Q1 to Q3**

Figures should reflect the position by the end of each quarter. It is expected that planned income and planned expenditure figures for Q4 2015-16 should equal the total pooled budget for the Health and Wellbeing Board.

There is also an opportunity to provide a commentary on progress which should include reference to any deviation from plan or amendments to forecasts made since the previous quarter.

## 6) Metrics

This tab tracks performance against the two national supporting metrics, the locally set metric, and the locally defined patient experience metric submitted in approved BCF plans. In all cases the metrics are set out as defined in the approved plan for the HWB and the following information is required for each metric:

**An update on indicative progress against the four metrics for Q3 2015-16**

**Commentary on progress against the metric**

If the information is not available to provide an indication of performance on a measure at this point in time then there is a drop-down option to indicate this. Should a patient experience metric not have been provided in the original BCF plan or previous data returns there is an opportunity to state the metric that you are now using.

## 7) Understanding support needs

This tab re-asks the questions on support needs that were first set out in the BCF Readiness Survey in March 2015. These questions were then asked again during the Q1 2015-16 data collection in August. We are keen to collect this data every six months to chart changes in support needs. This is why the questions are included again in this Q3 2015-16 collection. The information collected will be used to inform plans for ongoing national and regional support in 2016-17.

The tab asks what the key barrier to integration is locally and what support might be required in putting in meeting the six key areas of integration set out previously. . HWBs are asked to:

**Confirm which aspect of integration they consider the biggest barrier or challenge to delivering their BCF plan**

**Confirm against each of the six themes whether they would welcome any support and if so what form they would prefer support to take**

There is also an opportunity to provide comments and detail any other support needs you may have which the Better Care Support Team may be able to help with.

## 8) New Integration Metrics

This tab includes a handful of new metrics designed with the intention of gathering some detailed intelligence on local progress against some key elements of person-centred, co-ordinated care. Following feedback from colleagues across the system these questions have been modified from those that appeared in the last BCF Quarterly Data Collection Template (Q2 2015-16). Nonetheless, they are still in draft form, and the Department of Health are keen to receive feedback on how they could be improved / any complications caused by the way that they have been posed.

For the question on progress towards instillation of Open APIs, if an Open API is installed and live in a given setting, please state 'Live' in the 'Projected 'go-live' date field.

For the question on use and prevalence of Multi-Disciplinary/Integrated Care Teams please choose your answers based on the proportion of your localities within which Multi-Disciplinary/Integrated Care Teams are in use.

## 9) Narrative

In this tab HWBs are asked to provide a brief narrative on overall progress in delivering their Better Care Fund plans at the current point in time with reference to the information provided within this return.

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