

PCEHR Medicare Overview v1.1

Release note

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Summary

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The personally controlled electronic health record (PCEHR) system provides access to Medicare information from the following data sets of claims and registries managed by the Department of Human Services (DHS) Medicare:

- Medicare Benefits Scheme (MBS) and Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) claims history
- Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) and Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (RPBS) claims history
- Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR) information
- Australian Organ Donor Registry (AODR) information.

These data sets are grouped and displayed in a Medicare Overview in the national portals, and are the source of data for the PCEHR Medicare Overview CDA document that is provided on request through the PCEHR business-to-business (B2B) channel.

Background

The PCEHR system allows providers and individuals to view a summary of Medicare information in a single view (i.e. the Medicare Overview) via the National Provider Portal and National Consumer Portal respectively. The Medicare Overview is also available as a downloadable clinical document via the PCEHR B2B Gateway Service for processing and viewing within the local clinical information systems.

Providers and individuals can retrieve (by clicking on a link) each of the CDA documents that contributed to the information in the Medicare Overview.

Release rationale

The release will assist clinical information system vendors with the design and development of their systems, specifically to parse, extract, and process information contained within the PCEHR Medicare Overview CDA documents that have been retrieved from the PCEHR system using the B2B channel.

Package inclusions

New inclusions

Identifier	Name	Version
NEHTA-1465:2013	<i>PCEHR Medicare Overview Release Note</i>	1.1
NEHTA-1468:2013	<i>PCEHR Medicare Overview Structured Content Specification</i>	1.1
NEHTA-1467:2013	<i>PCEHR Medicare Overview CDA Implementation Guide</i>	1.1
NEHTA-1466:2013	<i>PCEHR Medicare Overview Conformance Profile</i>	1.1

Scope

When a personally controlled electronic health record (PCEHR) has been created for an individual, the individual can decide if existing information, from sources such as DHS Medicare, should be made accessible via their PCEHR.

The individual can allow information from one or more of the following existing Medicare data sets to be included in their PCEHR:

- Information about healthcare events funded under the DHS Medicare/DVA Benefits Schedule.
- Information about medicines dispensed under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme and Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.
- Information about vaccinations given to children under the age of seven via the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register.
- Donation decisions recorded with the Australian Organ Donor Register.

Stakeholders

The following stakeholders have been involved in the development of this release:

- Department of Health and Ageing
- Department of Human Services
- PCEHR National Infrastructure Operator
- NEHTA

Audience

The intended audience of this document includes:

- Hospital networks, eHealth implementation sites and jurisdictional health departments in the process of planning and implementing PCEHRs.
- Software vendors developing PCEHR-enabled products.
- Senior managers and policy makers, clinical experts, health information managers, IT operations and support teams, and system integrators.
- Technical and non-technical readers.

Known issues

Reproduced from the 'Known Issues' section of the *PCEHR Medicare Overview Structured Content Specification*, v1.1, 27 September 2013.

Reference	Description
Links to external resources	If a link (usually in references section) spans across several lines, certain combinations of PDF reader and web browser have problems opening it.
Naming of "Vaccine Cancellation"	The term "Vaccine Cancellation" is a slight misnomer as cancellations apply to medications, but the term "exemption" applies to ACIR. The term "cancellation" is to be replaced by the term "exemption" in ACIR.
Use of Exclusion Statements	The use of Exclusion Statements to assert that there is no data present needs to be investigated further. That investigation may result in the Exclusion Statements being removed.
ACIR – Vaccine Dose Number	In ACIR records Vaccine Dose Number contains a positive integer (the sequence number of the dose), nothing, or the letter "b" (which indicates a vaccine given at birth). This SCS provides Vaccine Dose Number which can contain integer values and nothing, but not letters. It is not appropriate to use Vaccine Dose Number to record both the sequence number of the vaccine dose and the fact that the vaccine was given at birth, as they are two distinct concepts. Vaccines given at birth can be identified using Date Vaccination Received and Date of Birth as both are available. If a single indicator data element is required, an extra data element will have to be added.
Medicare Antigen Code values	Documents created by Medicare may contain a value for Medicare Antigen Code and Medicare Overview documents contain data from Medicare documents. However the details of the value domain for Medicare Antigen Code are not currently available.

Support

This release will be supported for two years from the date of publication.

For further support or to provide feedback, please email help@nehta.gov.au.

Future releases

If the National Infrastructure Operator identifies issues in the implementation of these specifications, an update may be released. Any change will be managed through the support process described in the previous section.

Previous releases

PCEHR Medicare Overview v1.0, dated 30 April 2013, was submitted to DoHA and NIO for a limited release. PCEHR Medicare Overview v1.0 contained the components below.

Name	Version
<i>PCEHR Medicare Overview Structured Content Specification</i>	1.0
<i>PCEHR Medicare Overview CDA Implementation Guide</i>	1.0
<i>Conformance Profile for PCEHR Medicare Overview</i>	1.1

The *PCEHR Medicare Overview Structured Content Specification* and *PCEHR Medicare Overview CDA Implementation Guide* have been amended in this release to address mapping and cardinality defects identified in the limited release. The Conformance Profile for PCEHR Medicare Overview has not been changed since the limited release.

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