



Electronic Prescribing – Technical Framework Documents Release Note

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Approved for external use
Document ID: DH-4154:2025

Related end-product identifier: EP-4153:2025

Release rationale

This release of the end-product EP-4153:2025 provides the following updates:

1. DH-4152:2025 Electronic Prescribing – Medication Chart Prescribing Systems Conformance Profile v3.0.2 is being updated to resolve ambiguity with conformance requirements relating to Evidence of Prescription (EoP)
 - DH-4152:2025 Electronic Prescribing – Medication Chart Prescribing Systems Conformance Profile v3.0.2 includes the following important updates:
 - a. Modification and clarifications to EoP related requirements

Package inclusions

Updated (supersedes previous versions)

Identifier	New Name and Version	Previous Doc ID, Name and Version
DH-4154:2025	Electronic Prescribing – Technical Framework Documents - Release Note v3.7	DH-4032:2024 Electronic Prescribing – Technical Framework Documents - Release Note v3.6
DH-4152:2025	Electronic Prescribing – Medication Chart Prescribing System Conformance Profile v3.0.2	DH-3941:2024 Electronic Prescribing – Medication Chart Prescribing System Conformance Profile v3.0.1

No change to the documents for EP

Identifier	Name and version
DH-3542:2021	Electronic Prescribing Solution Architecture v3.0
DH-2625:2017	Electronic Prescribing - National Requirements for Electronic Prescriptions v1.0
DH-3174:2019	Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Assessment Scheme v2.1
DH-3939:2024	Electronic Prescribing – National Prescription Delivery Service and Active Script List Registry Conformance Profile v3.1

Identifier	Name and version
DH-3940:2024	Electronic Prescribing – General Prescribing Systems and Other Connecting Systems Conformance Profile v3.0.1

Change Details

The following items are addressed by this release of DH-4152:2025 Electronic Prescribing – Medication Chart Prescribing Systems Conformance Profile v3.0.2

Requirement ID	Summary	Change Description
PRES-705	Requirement updated	Requirement rewritten for clarity. Removed references to tokens and clarify requirement to display DSPID and barcode/QR code instead. Notes updated to correspond.
PRES-42	Requirement updated	Requirement for ability to generate an EoP changed from SHALL to SHOULD. Inclusion of SHALL statement where system has the ability to generate an EoP. Removed references to tokens and clarify requirement to display DSPID and barcode/QR code instead.
PRES-43	Requirement updated	Updated the requirement to mandate the display of DISPID and barcode or QR code for each chart-based prescription items on the medication chart to support PRES-705. Removed references to tokens and clarify requirement to display DSPID and barcode/QR code instead. Notes updated to correspond.
PRES-43B	Requirement updated	Requirement changed from SHOULD to SHALL.
PRES-43A PRES-45 PRES-46 PRES-46A PRES-46B PRES-47A PRES-48 PRES-48A PRES-55 PRES-345 PRES-345A PRES-360 PRES-362 PRES-390	Requirements updated	Requirements updated to being conditional on system being capable of generating an EoP.

No change has been made to:

- DH-3542:2021 Electronic Prescribing Solution Architecture v3.0
- DH-2625:2017 Electronic Prescribing - National Requirements for Electronic Prescriptions v1.0
- DH-3174:2019 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Assessment Scheme v2.1
- DH-3939:2024 Electronic Prescribing – National Prescription Delivery Service and Active Script List Registry Conformance Profile v3.1

- DH-3940:2024 Electronic Prescribing – General Prescribing Systems and Other Connecting Systems Conformance Profile v3.0.1

Stakeholders

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

- Department of Health and Aged Care
- National PDS Operator

Audience

- Software developers developing electronic prescribing-enabled products.

Support

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

Future releases

Future releases will reflect any changes required to electronic prescribing.

Previous releases

Date	Version
28/10/2024	Included the release of DH-3941:2024 Electronic Prescribing – Medication Chart Prescribing System Conformance Profile v3.0.1, which split out the requirements for Medication Charts from the General Prescribing requirements. Also included changes to specific requirements that directly impacted Medication Charts
20/09/2024	This release of the end product EP-3937:2024 includes Conformance Profiles for electronic prescribing software vendors. Refer to the Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Technical Framework Documents Release Note v3.5 for full list of changes. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Removal of Direct PDS model requirements- Removal of Medication Chart Prescribing System Requirements and putting them into its own conformance profile

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31/01/2024	The following items are addressed by this release of DH-3878:2024 Electronic Prescribing – Prescription Delivery Services and Active Script List Registry Conformance Profile v3.1									
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DH-3867:2023 Electronic Prescribing – Prescription Delivery Services and Active Script List Registry Services Conformance Profile v3.0.1 is replaced by:

- DH-3878:2024 Electronic Prescribing – Prescription Delivery Services and Active Script List Registry Conformance Profile v3.1

No change has been made to:

- DH-3869:2023 Electronic Prescribing – Connecting Systems Conformance Profile v3.0.1
- DH-3542:2021 Electronic Prescribing Solution Architecture v3.0
- DH-2625:2017 Electronic Prescribing - National Requirements for Electronic Prescriptions v1.0
- DH-3174:2019 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Assessment Scheme v2.1

30/11/2023 This release includes an editorial split to DH-3734:2022 Electronic Prescribing - Conformance Profile v3.0.1 and DH-3338:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.3.

DH-3734:2022 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Profile v3.0.1 is replaced by the following products:

- **DH-3867:2023** Electronic Prescribing – Prescription Delivery Services and Active Script List Registry Services Conformance Profile v3.0.1
- **DH-3869:2023** Electronic Prescribing – Connecting Systems Conformance Profile v3.0.1

DH-3338:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Profile v2.3 is replaced by the following products:

- **DH-3866:2023** Electronic Prescribing – Prescription Delivery Services and Active Script List Registry Services Conformance Profile v2.3
- **DH-3868:2023** Electronic Prescribing – Connecting Systems Conformance Profile v2.3

There are no changes to the conformance requirements in each profile.

Date	Version
13/12/2023	<p>This release of the end product DH-3734:2022 provides the following revisions:</p> <p>DH-3734:2022 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Profile v3.0.1 replaces the following product on its effective date (1 January 2023):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- DH-3442:2021 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Profile v3.0 <p>DH-3734:2022 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Profile v3.0.1 includes the following important revisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Inclusion of additional conformance requirements specific to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Electronic prescribing - Active Script List Registry systems (ASLR)o Electronic prescribing - dispensing systems (DISP)o Electronic prescribing - prescribing systems (PRES)o Electronic prescribing - Prescription Delivery Service systems (DS) ando Electronic prescribing - mobile applications and intermediaries (MA, MC, MI).- Editorial changes in response to stakeholder feedback including:<ul style="list-style-type: none">o revised requirement wordingo revised and added clarification noteso formatting, spelling, grammar, and terminology updates.
11/11/2021	<p>EP-3543:2021 Electronic Prescribing Technical Framework Documents v3.1</p> <p>This release of the DH-3542:2021 Electronic Prescribing –Solution Architecture v3.0 replaces the following product:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- DH-2988:2019 Electronic Prescribing – Solution Architecture v2.0 <p>DH-3542:2021 Electronic Prescribing –Solution Architecture v3.0 includes important revisions to align with the latest version of the conformance profile DH-3442:2021 Electronic Prescribing - Conformance Profile v3.0.</p>

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16/04/2021	<p data-bbox="347 297 1249 327">EP-3444:2021 Electronic Prescribing Technical Framework Documents v3.0</p> <p data-bbox="347 342 1452 405">This release of the DH-3442:2021 Electronic Prescribing –Conformance Profile v3.0 replaces the following product:</p> <ul data-bbox="347 421 1437 450" style="list-style-type: none"> - DH-3338:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.3 <p data-bbox="347 465 1374 528">DH-3442:2021 Electronic Prescribing –Conformance Profile v3.0 includes the following important revisions:</p> <ul data-bbox="347 544 1452 1032" style="list-style-type: none"> - Inclusion of additional conformance requirements specific to electronic prescribing - prescribing systems (PRES); - Inclusion of additional conformance requirements specific to Active Script List Registry systems (ASLR); - Inclusion of additional conformance requirements specific to electronic prescribing - dispensing systems (DISP); - Inclusion of additional conformance requirements specific to electronic prescribing – Prescription Delivery Service systems (DS); - Inclusion of additional conformance requirements specific to mobile applications and intermediaries (MA, MC, MI); - Changes throughout including revised requirement wording, revised and added clarification notes, and formatting, spelling, and terminology changes to meet stakeholder feedback.
14/10/2020	<p data-bbox="347 1059 1249 1088">EP-3340:2020 Electronic Prescribing Technical Framework Documents v2.3</p> <p data-bbox="347 1104 1281 1133">This release of the end product EP-3340:2020 provides the following revisions:</p> <ol data-bbox="387 1149 1437 1603" style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This release of the DH-3338:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.3 replaces the following product: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. DH-3275:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.2.1 <p data-bbox="443 1305 1430 1368">DH-3338:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.3 includes the following important revisions:</p> <ul data-bbox="443 1384 1417 1603" style="list-style-type: none"> - Inclusion of Active Script List (ASL) requirements for Prescribing, Dispensing, and Prescription Delivery Service systems; - Addition of Active Script List (ASL) requirements for Active Script List Registry systems; and - Minor changes throughout including revised requirement wording, revised and added clarification notes, and formatting, spelling, and terminology changes.

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11/08/2020	<p data-bbox="347 293 1251 324">EP-3283:2020 Electronic Prescribing Technical Framework Documents v2.3</p> <p data-bbox="347 338 1281 369">This release of the end product EP-3283:2020 provides the following revisions:</p> <ol data-bbox="395 383 1441 696" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="395 383 1441 526">1. This release of the DH-3275:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.2.1 replaces the following product:<ol data-bbox="491 459 1441 526" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="491 459 1441 526">a. DH-3188:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.2 <p data-bbox="443 539 1430 602">DH-3275:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.2.1 includes the following important revisions:</p> <ul data-bbox="443 616 1278 696" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="443 616 1278 651">- Modification of one Prescription Delivery Service requirement; and<li data-bbox="443 665 1118 696">- Modification of one Mobile Intermediary requirement.
05/06/2020	<p data-bbox="347 725 842 757">EP-3175:2020 Electronic Prescribing v2.2</p> <p data-bbox="347 770 1370 801">https://developer.digitalhealth.gov.au/specifications/ehealth-foundations/ep-3175-2020</p> <p data-bbox="347 815 568 846">Release rationale</p> <p data-bbox="347 860 1281 891">This release of the end product EP-3175:2020 provides the following revisions:</p> <ol data-bbox="395 904 1441 1610" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="395 904 1441 1128">1. This release of DH-3174:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Assessment Scheme v2.1 replaces the following product:<ol data-bbox="491 981 1441 1043" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="491 981 1441 1043">a. [DH-2986:2019] Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Assessment Scheme v2.<p data-bbox="443 1057 1441 1128">The DH-3174:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Conformance Assessment Scheme v2.1 permits the co-existence of multiple conformance profiles.</p><li data-bbox="395 1187 1441 1610">2. This release of the DH-3188:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.2 replaces the following product:<ol data-bbox="491 1263 1441 1326" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="491 1263 1441 1326">a. DH-3125:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.1<p data-bbox="443 1339 1430 1402">DH-3188:2020 Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.2 includes the following important revisions:</p><ul data-bbox="443 1415 1286 1610" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="443 1415 1254 1451">- Temporary relaxation of all Active Script List (ASL) requirements<li data-bbox="443 1464 1286 1500">- New requirements in alignment with State and Territory regulations<li data-bbox="443 1514 743 1550">- Requirement revision<li data-bbox="443 1563 842 1599">- Clarification notes throughout

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18/03/2020	<p>EP-3041:2020 Electronic Prescribing v2.1 https://developer.digitalhealth.gov.au/specifications/ehealth-foundations/ep-3041-2020</p> <p>Release rationale</p> <p>This release of the DH-3125:2020 Electronic Prescribing Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.1 replaces the following product:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [DH-2985:2019] Electronic Prescribing – Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.0. <p>DH-3125:2020 Electronic Prescribing Participating Software Conformance Profile v2.1 is intended to promote the correct application of the electronic prescribing conformance requirements and greater consistency between software products. It includes additional guidance on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open prescription delivery service token model requirements • Prescribing and dispensing system token model requirements • Glossary
31/10/2019	<p>EP-2984:2019 Electronic Prescribing v2.0. https://developer.digitalhealth.gov.au/specifications/ehealth-foundations/ep-2984-2019 https://developer.digitalhealth.gov.au/specifications/ehealth-foundations/ep-2984-2019/dh-2987-2019</p> <p>Release rationale</p> <p>Electronic prescribing provides an option for prescribers and their patients to have a digital prescription as an alternative to a paper prescription. Electronic prescribing is not mandatory, and patients and prescribers will be able to choose an electronic or a paper version of their prescription.</p> <p>This release includes the final technical documents. These technical documents include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A Solution Architecture to provide an overview of the architectural components of the end-to-end national electronic prescribing framework; ▪ A Conformance Assessment Scheme which describes the scheme for assessing the conformance of software against the Conformance Profile involved in the electronic prescribing process; and ▪ A Conformance Profile to summarise the functional and non-functional requirements for software that supports participation in electronic prescribing.

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