

# June 2023

# **Quarterly Compliance Report**



# Understanding the Administrator's Quarterly Compliance Report

Clause B102 of the National Health Reform Agreement 2011 (NHR Agreement) requires the Administrator to publish details of Commonwealth, State and Territory compliance with the data requirements specified in the Administrator's Three Year Data Plan 2022-23 to 2024-25.

Clause A152 of the Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement 2020-21 to 2024-25 (the Addendum) requires the Administrator to publish additional information in the compliance reports on dates data is submitted or resubmitted by States.

The format of the Quarterly Compliance Reports follows a standard structure, with relevant data requirements reflected in each quarter. Further information on requirements can be found in the *Administrator's 2022-23 Data Compliance Policy*.

## **Executive Summary**

#### 2022-23 Service Agreements

Seven out of eight States and Territories (hereafter States and Territories are referred to as States) submitted 2022-23 Service Agreements to the Administrator within the required fourteen calendar days from finalisation or amendment. Victoria provided 6 of their 40 Service Agreements within the required timeframe, 33 were provided outside of the fourteen day period and 1 remains outstanding. This is the third year that Victoria has been delayed in providing Service Agreements to the Administrator.

Following engagement with States on consistency and transparency of public hospital funding, 88 of the 91 Service Agreements submitted to the Administrator align to current data estimate submissions, compared to 29 of 90 in June 2022.

#### **Data submissions**

With respect to the timeliness of 2022-23 third quarter data submissions, seven out of eight States provided Submission A on time. Submission B files and Statement of Assurances are not required for third quarter data.

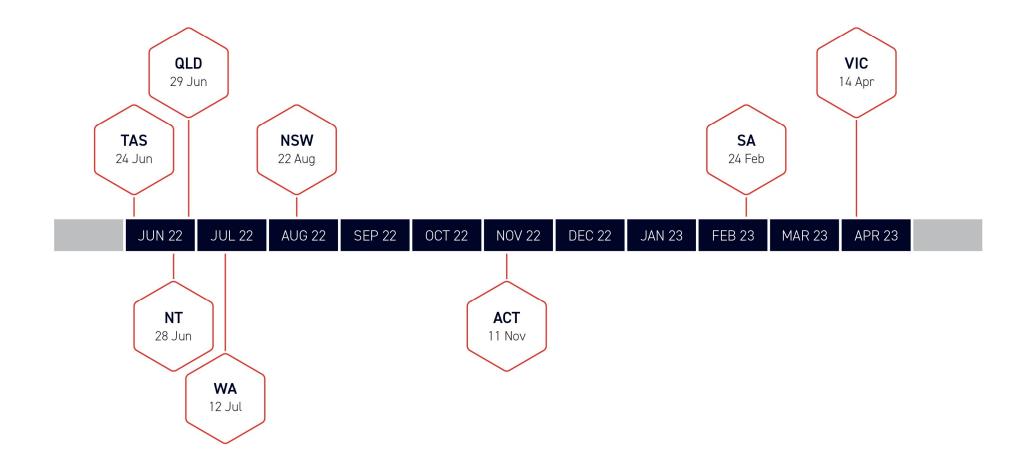
#### **Consistency and Transparency**

The Administrator will continue to work with States on achieving greater transparency and consistency of public reporting throughout 2022-23, and report progress, including through the Quarterly Compliance Report. The Addendum also includes the requirement for the Administrator and Australian Institute of Health and Welfare to work with all Parties to improve consistency and transparency of data and enable the Administrator to provide an annual report on Maintenance of Effort.

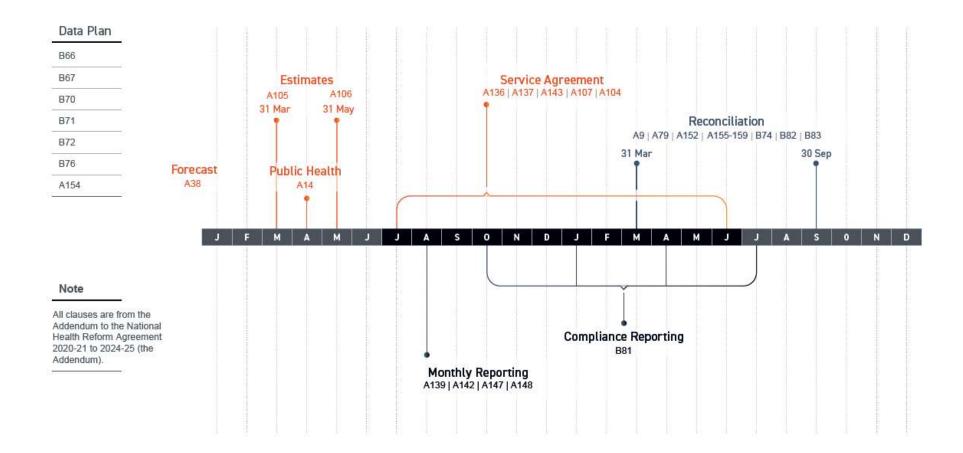
The Administrator's Annual Report 2020-21 - Maintenance of Effort was published in March 2023 and the Administrator's Annual Report 2021-22 - Maintenance of Effort was circulated to Health Ministers and published in early July 2023. Both reports found that the Commonwealth and States have maintained, at a minimum, 2018-19 levels of funding for public hospital services through the National Health Funding Pool (the Pool). However, the report also identified inconsistencies in the level of in-scope and out-of-scope funding transacted through the Pool as well as pricing and activity information published in Local Hospital Network (LHN) Service Agreements.

## SERVICE AGREEMENT ENDORSEMENT TIMELINE 2022-23

Under the Addendum, States are required to provide Service Agreements to the Administrator once agreed with Local Hospital Networks (A107) and publicly release them within fourteen calendar days of finalisation or amendment (E8).



## Data Cycle



### **TABLE 1**Service Agreement compliance with the Administrator's Three-Year Data Plan

| Data requirement  | Clause^      | Due date          | Measurement                                | CW | NSW                             | VIC                            | QLD                            | WA               | SA                 | TAS              | ACT              | NT               |
|---|--------------|-------------------|--|----|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Service Agreements and Public Health amounts  |              |                   |  |    |                                 |                                |                                |                  |                    |                  |                  |                  |
| LHN Service Agreements<br>2022-23 provided to the<br>Administrator (ABF<br>LHNs only)                 | A107         | Not<br>applicable | Number of<br>agreements /<br>Date Provided |    | 17/19 <sup>1</sup><br>23 Aug 22 | 39/40 <sup>1</sup><br>3 May 23 | 15/16 <sup>1</sup><br>1 Jul 22 | 6/6<br>16 Aug 22 | 11/11<br>24 May 23 | 1/1<br>30 Jun 22 | 1/1<br>11 Nov 22 | 1/1<br>29 Jun 22 |
| LHN Service Agreements<br>include the number of<br>services to be provided<br>by the LHN              | E7(a)        | Not<br>applicable | Meets minimum<br>requirements<br>Yes or No |    | V                               | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$       | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$     |
| LHN Service Agreements<br>(ABF LHNs only) and<br>estimated<br>LHN NWAU aligned                        | A137<br>A143 | Not<br>applicable | Number of<br>agreements<br>aligned         |    | 17/19                           | 37/40                          | 15/16                          | 6/6              | 11/11              | 0/1              | 1/1              | 1/1              |
| LHN Service Agreements<br>include the mix of in-<br>scope services to be<br>provided by the LHN       | E7(a)        | Not<br>applicable | Meets minimum<br>requirements<br>Yes or No |    | V                               | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$       | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$     |
| LHN Service Agreements<br>include the mix of out-<br>of-scope services to be<br>provided by the LHN   | E7(a)        | Not<br>applicable | Meets minimum<br>requirements<br>Yes or No |    | V                               | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$       | x                | ×                | $\checkmark$     |
| LHN Service Agreements<br>include the level of ABF<br>to be provided to the<br>LHN                    | E7(c)        | Not<br>applicable | Meets minimum<br>requirements<br>Yes or No |    | ~                               | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$       | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$     |
| LHN Service Agreements<br>include the level of<br>Block Funding to be<br>provided to the LHN          | E7(c)        | Not<br>applicable | Meets minimum<br>requirements<br>Yes or No |    | ~                               | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$       | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$     |
| LHN Service Agreement<br>includes the price per<br>weighted service set by<br>the state (state price) | A92<br>A95   | Not<br>applicable | Meets minimum<br>requirements<br>Yes or No |    | $\checkmark$                    | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$                   | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$       | $\checkmark$     | x                | $\checkmark$     |

| Data requirement   | Clause^      | Due date          | Measurement                    | CW | NSW       | VIC       | QLD       | WA        | SA        | TAS       | ACT       | NT        |
|--|--------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Update to estimated<br>LHN NWAU 2022-23  | A137<br>A143 | Not<br>applicable | Date Submitted<br>or No Update |    | 2 Sep 22  | 3 May 23  | 11 May 23 | No update | 24 May 23 | 21 Apr 23 | No update | No update |
| Aggregate estimated<br>State and Territory<br>NWAU by service<br>category 2023-24        |              | 31 Mar            | Date Submitted                 |    | 31 Mar 23 | 15 Apr 23 | 29 Mar 23 | 24 Mar 23 | 5 Apr 23  | 27 Mar 23 | 3 Apr 23  | 31 Mar 23 |
| Detailed estimated State<br>and Territory NWAU by<br>LHN and service<br>category 2023-24 |              | 31 May            | Date Submitted                 |    | 1 Jun 23  | 30 May 23 | 1 Jun 23  | 1 Jun 23  | 1 Jun 23  | 1 Jun 23  | 30 May 23 | 1 Jun 23  |

**TABLE 2**Data submission compliance with the Administrator's Three-Year Data Plan

| Data requirement                                    | Clause^       | Due date          | Measurement                   | CW | NSW            | VIC            | QLD            | WA             | SA             | TAS            | ACT            | NT             |
|---|---------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|----|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Reconciliation requirements for 2022-23 annual data |               |                   |                               |    |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Submission A<br>(Quarter 3 2022-23)                 | B79           | 30 Jun            | Submitted or<br>Not Submitted |    | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$   | Partial*       | $\checkmark$   |
| Data Conditional<br>Payment                         | A156-<br>A159 | Not<br>applicable | Not applied or<br>Applied     |    | Not<br>applied |
| Sentinel Events<br>(Quarter 3 2022-23)              | A166          | Not<br>Required*  | Submitted or<br>Not Submitted |    |                | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$   | $\checkmark$   |                | $\checkmark$   |                |                |

\*ACT's Quarter 3 submission only included data up to 11 November 2022.

| Service category<br>or Data type                               | Dataset                                   | Submission or resubmission date | NSW       | VIC       | QLD       | WA        | SA        | TAS       | ACT                   | NT        |
|--|---|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Emergency  | ED (ED Patient                            | Submission                      | 1 Jul 23  | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 29 Jun 23 | 6 Jul 23 <sup>2</sup> | 30 Jun 23 |
|  | Level)                                    | Resubmission 1                  |           |           |           |           |           |           |                       |           |
|  | ES (ED                                    | Submission                      | N/A       | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 29 Jun 23 | N/A                   | N/A       |
|  | Aggregate<br>Level)                       | Resubmission 1                  |           |           |           |           |           |           |                       |           |
|  | Admitted                                  | Submission                      | 1 Jul 23  | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 26 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 29 Jun 23 | 6 Jul 23 <sup>2</sup> | 30 Jun 23 |
|  | Patient Care<br>(APC)                     | Resubmission 1                  |           |           |           |           |           |           |                       |           |
|  | Mental Health<br>Care - Phase<br>(MHCP)   | Submission                      | 2 Jul 23  | 28 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 26 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 29 Jun 23 | 6 Jul 23 <sup>2</sup> | 30 Jun 23 |
| Acute admitted<br>Mental health<br>Sub-acute and non-<br>acute |   | Resubmission 1                  |           | 28 Jun 23 |           |           |           | 30 Jun 23 |                       |           |
|  |   | Resubmission 2                  |           |           |           |           |           | 04 Jul 23 |                       |           |
|  | Mental Health<br>Care - Episode<br>(MHCE) | Submission                      | 2 Jul 23  | 28 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 26 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 29 Jun 23 | 6 Jul 23 <sup>2</sup> | 30 Jun 23 |
|  |   | Resubmission 1                  |           |           |           |           |           | 30 Jun 23 |                       |           |
|  |   | Resubmission 2                  |           |           |           |           |           | 04 Jul 23 |                       |           |
|  | Palliative Care<br>(PCC)                  | Submission                      | 1 Jul 23  | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 26 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 29 Jun 23 | 6 Jul 23 <sup>2</sup> | 30 Jun 23 |
|  |   | Resubmission 1                  |           |           |           |           |           |           |                       |           |
|  | Non-Admitted<br>Patient Level<br>(NAP)    | Submission                      | 1 Jul 23  | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 19 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 30 Jun 23 | 6 Jul 23 <sup>2</sup> | 30 Jun 23 |
| Non-admitted   |   | Resubmission 1                  |           |           |           |           |           |           |                       |           |
|  | Non-Admitted<br>Aggregate<br>(NAA)        | Submission                      | 26 Jun 23 | N/A       | N/A       | 14 Jun 23 | 30 Jun 23 | N/A       | N/A                   | N/A       |
|  |   | Resubmission 1                  |           |           |           |           |           |           |                       |           |
| Sentinel Events  | Sentinel Events                           | Submission                      | N/A       | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 29 Jun 23 | N/A       | 29 Jun 23 | N/A                   | N/A       |
| Alternative Funding<br>Source                                  | AFS                                       | Submission                      | 1 Jul 23  | 27 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 26 Jun 23 | 28 Jun 23 | 30 Jun 23 | 6 Jul 23 <sup>2</sup> | -         |

### TABLE 3Submission and re-submission dates for 2022-23 third quarter data

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## Comments

^ All clauses are from the Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement 2020-21 to 2024-25 (the Addendum).

\* Statement of Assurance, Submission B and Sentinel Events are not required for the first quarter and third quarter period submissions of activity data. Data Conditional Payments are only applied to annual data submissions.

# Further discussion between the Administrator, NHFB, Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority and States and Territories is required to support the provision of private patient data from States and Territories.

## Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> Whilst some Service Agreements were provided from NSW, Vic, and Qld, Service Agreements were not provided for:

- NSW: Albury and Contracted Services
- Vic: Contracted Services
- Qld: Queensland Virtual

<sup>2</sup> While ACT provided their third quarter data on time, the data submission is incomplete as a result of transitioning to a new data management system. ACT provided advice to the Administrator prior to the submission due date.

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