

NENC Secure Data Environment

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Mandate for change

Delivering a range of ambitions across life sciences, research, and data-driven innovation







Usage Cases



Al/algorithm development (testing, training, and validation)



Clinical trial activities (feasibility, recruitment, efficacy through short- and longterm trial follow up)



Real world studies (safety, effectiveness, cost effectiveness)



Translational research (academic discovery and implementation of discovery into practice)



Epidemiological studies (large cohorts for population health research)



Health systems research (evaluation of systems or processes, including operational and applied research)



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Why do we need SDEs?





ICB as Single Region-Wide Data Controller



Single Process

Single Approval

De-risks Individual data controllers





The NENC R&D Data Repository

- A rich, curated, persistent regional R&D data asset
- Underpinned by Section 251 application allowing legal use of data to flow for research
- Reduced workload and complexity for data controllers
- Ability to develop multi-SDE research programs











APMULTIPLY Using AI to characterise the dynamic inter-relationships between Multiple Long-term conditions and Polypharmacy

NHS North East and Part of the **North Cumbria** North East and **NHS Research Secure Data** SECURE DATA **Environment Network** North Cumbria **ENVIRONMENT** 512 **Achievements** 512 14 15 3 **Public members** Hours given since PMs at advocates **Task and Finish** recruited to date **October 23** induction groups 13 14 8 3 **Evaluation criteria In-person PM** surveys **SDE Strategy Document reviews Groups/ Prog Board**

completed

meetings

created



Part of the NHS Research Secure Data Environment Network



PPIE involvement topics and issues covered





request

Service



Data Access Process

- Initial check by project support Does it meet their assessment criteria service Check against exclusion Application scored against criteria Is it in the public interest? criteria Check sponsor organisation Report on public members on decision (eg no insurance, tobacco made and their reasons If public members say no, project goes companies etc) to DAC but applicant will not be given access **Public member Initial check** review **Data access** received by **Project Support** From online form on Data contributor hosted SDE website **Detail check** notifications sent Notification sent to Detailed check by project support service to ensure applicant has all data contributor right approvals, technical and legals in place: Email sent
 - Ethics
 - Meets cyber security standards
 - Information governance
 - Finance
 - Data is available

Paperwork prepared by **Project Support** Service DAC Project support service

Yes

No

Query

• 14 days to return comments,

questions, concerns collated by

will be shared with the DAC so they can consider them when they make their decision

Project Support Service and

questions, concerns

Summary of comments,

14 day cooling off

assessment

prepares reports from

queries for the DAC to

consider when making

public members and

data contributor

their decision



Yes

No





NENC SDE High-level end to end infrastructure





Data pipeline status



Building a rich, comprehensive regional dataset initially based on statutory data flows:

<u>Acute</u>

SUS – Inpatient

SUS – Outpatient

SUS – Accident & Emergency

Emergency Care Data Set Maternity Services Data Set

ePrescribing and Medicines Admin

Diagnostic Imaging Dataset

Cancer Waiting Times

Mental Health and Learning Disabilities

Mental Health Services Data Set (covers Hospital, community, Mental Health Act, PROMS, clinical activity)

IAPT - Improving Access to Psychological Therapies

ePrescribing and Medicines Admin

Community

Community Services Data Set

<u>Ambulance</u>

Ambulance Data Set (also local 999/111 flows)

Primary Care

Local Data Flows

Social Care

Client Level Data Set

Additional

Various local Data Flows

End to End Process Overview

01

INITIAL ENQUIRY

Users access the website for guidance and are directed to the NENC SDE mailbox. An enquiry form is shared to gather some high level detail.

03

REQUEST OUTCOME

Feedback will be provided to the user with one of the following outcomes: Project Accepted, Project Accepted with Conditions, Project Rejected, or Bespoke Support.

05

SUBMISSION TO DATA ACCESS COMMITTEE (DAC) AND PATIENT EVALTUATION GROUP (PEG)

The DAF will be submitted to the NENC DAC and then PEG for review and recommendation as to if this should proceed.

02

TRIAGE CALL AND FEASIBILITY FORM

After receipt of the form a call is arranged to gather further detail on the project. This is documented in a feasibility form. he request is assessed against predefined feasibility criteria. If no funding is in place the team will signpost the user and provide costings for inclusion in any funding bid.



PROJECT SUPPORT SERVICE (PSS) DATA ACCESS FORM (DAF)

The user will work with the PSS to complete a full DAF. This will include all the necessary information for the DAC to review the application.







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NHS

Data for R&D PROGRAMME

05

DATA ACCESS AGREEMENT SIGN OFF

Research Organisation and ICB to complete a Data Access agreement, Researcher to complete user access form

06

WORKSPACE MOBILISATION AND DATA ANALYSIS

A dedicated workspace will be created and agreed data will be made available to the researcher for analysis to be carried out



PROJECT CLOSURE

The project is completed, outputs are reviewed and shared from the workspace. Data is archived and will be deleted following the retention period.









Piloting of forms and user understanding feedback so far

- Positive user feedback
- Information requested via forms has provided sufficient detail for feasibility exercise
- Details provided on these forms have supported the team to assign projected costs.
- Alignment to NHS E requirements and national Data Access Request Form (DARF)
- Further testing ongoing

