



#### **Dear** Alliance Member

This month we share the Transparency Standards recently published by the Pan-UK Steering Group and information about the workshop we'll be running next month to help custodians with the adoption of these standards. We also share outputs from the OMOP special interest group inaugural meeting as well as a guest blog from Dr Chris Russell explaining why the NHS Research Secure Data Environment Network is adopting the OMOP common data.

To be featured in future bulletins, please contact us at <a href="mailto:ukalliance@hdruk.ac.uk">ukalliance@hdruk.ac.uk</a>.

#### **News from the UK Health Data Research Alliance**

## The Alliance Council convene for the quarterly meeting.

On Thursday 13th July Alliance Council Members convened for the quarterly meeting. Speakers presented on:

- Transparency Standards Cassie Smith
- Participation and Public involvement in data-driven research NIHR, AMRC, PEDRI
- Black Internship Programme Dona Reddiar
- Technology Services Ecosystem Emily Jefferson
- Usable Data Monica Jones

#### >> View meeting notes here

Pan-UK Data Governance Steering Group makes progress in improving transparency in processes for accessing health data for research.

The <u>Pan-UK Data Governance Steering Group</u>, a working group of the UK Health Data Research Alliance, have published a set of standards to guide best practice for improving transparency of data access. These standards have been developed from the recommendations provided by the <u>Public Advisory Board (PAB)</u> and the Five Safe Action Force.

# Outputs from the inaugural Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) Special Interest Group meeting.

The Alliance convened this Special Interest Group devoted to the OMOP Common Data Model (CDM) to bring together data user communities, including those who are transforming data to OMOP and those who are using transformed data for research. Working in collaboration with <u>Observational Health Data Sciences and Informatics (OHDSI)</u> and the <u>European Health Data Evidence Network (EHDEN)</u> the aim of this working group is to share knowledge, experience, and tools.

## >> The Workshop Report from the inaugural meeting can be viewed here

## NHS Research Secure Data Environment (SDE) Network agrees to adopt common data model.

This blog written by Dr Chris Russell, Head of Delivery, Data for R&D at NHS England explains why the NHS Research Secure Data Environment Network is adopting the OMOP common data model for health data.

## >> OMOP blog

## Launch of NHSE Commercial Principles for data partnerships.

Useful resources and additional reading:

- Blog: Data partnerships bring benefit to patients and the NHS
- <u>Value Sharing Framework</u> a set of guiding principles to help NHS organisations negotiate fair terms for NHS data partnerships
- Guide to effective NHS data partnerships

#### In other news

What's been happening across the ecosystem....

#### PHG Foundation report: Are synthetic health data 'personal data'?

This report, commissioned by the <u>MHRA</u>, evaluates the current legal framework to assess whether—or in what circumstances—synthetic health data might be considered 'personal data. Three key recommendations are highlighted for synthetic data developers, researchers, regulators or policy makers.

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## The British Heart Foundation (BHF) Data Science Centre have launched a new website!

The Centre – a partnership between the BHF and Health Data Research UK – was set up to enable data-led research to improve cardiovascular and circulatory health. As well as publications, public involvement, and projects, the site also contains a brand-new interactive Dataset Summary Dashboard which provides details on more than 70 health datasets accessible via the CVD-COVID-UK Consortium.

#### >> Check out the NEW website

Supporting the next generation of health data scientists with HDR UK's Black Internship Programme.

Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust is hosting two interns this summer as part of the HDR UK's Black Internship Programme to tackle the underrepresentation of Black people within the health data science sector. In this news piece, Ben Glampson, research informatics programme manager at the Trust talks about their experience of the programme.

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## **Upcoming Events**

## 11.09.23 - Improving Transparency of Processes for Accessing Health Data for Research.

In the first of this series of workshops, convened by the Alliance we'll be focusing on implementing the standards and understanding the challenges associated. Well also discuss potential funding available to support with adoption. We would particularly encourage PPIE and Communications teams to attend these workshops. >>> For more information and to register

#### 19.09.23 – Research Centre/Portfolio Planning and Implementation Webinar.

Register now for this FREE one-hour webinar that will focus on adapting selected project management tools so they can be applied to research centers and portfolios. >>> For more information and to register

### 10.10.23 - Reproducible Analytical Pipelines Webinar.

Interested in learning more about reproducibility research? In this FREE webinar we will discuss the practical steps you can take, using simple and impactful practices, in order to make your research reproducible. >>> Register here

#### 14 - 16 Oct '23 - Administrative Data Research UK (ADR UK) 2023 Conference.

The theme of this 3-day conference is 'Public Data for Resilience and Inclusion: Using administrative data to inform policy and practice in challenging times'. Delegates will be invited to join meaningful discussions on the latest hot topics affecting UK households, and address some of the key issues we face in our changing world. >>> Register here

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