



Administrator
National Health
Funding Pool

QUARTERLY COMPLIANCE REPORT

DECEMBER 2025

Understanding the Administrator's Quarterly Compliance Report

Clause B81 of the *Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement 2020-21 to 2024-25* (the Addendum) and one-year extension for 2025-26 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 2025-26 to 2027-28*. Note that the Addendum has been extended by an additional year to include 2025-26.

Clause A152 of 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 Report follows a standard structure, with relevant data requirements reflected in each quarter. Further information on requirements can be found in the *Administrator's 2025-26 Data Compliance Policy*.

Executive Summary

2025-26 Service Agreements

Six out of eight States submitted all 2025-26 Service Agreements to the Administrator, with Victoria and South Australia providing partial submissions.

124 of 128 service agreements have been submitted to the Administrator.

- Of the **124** service agreements submitted, **50** were provided to the Administrator within the required 14 calendar days from finalisation or amendment.
- Of the **96** ABF LHN Service Agreements, **53** align to activity estimate submissions.
- **Queensland, Tasmania, the Australian Capital Territory** and the **Northern Territory** reported out-of-scope activity and out-of-scope funding in the Service Agreements.
- **All eight** States reported a State Price (or NEP) in the Service Agreements.

Timely submissions of service agreements are important to accurately calculating Commonwealth entitlements and issuing Payment Advice throughout the year.

2025-26 Quarter 1 NHR Data Submissions

With respect to the timeliness of **Submission A**, **six out of eight** States provided their data on time by 15 December 2025. Outstanding data from New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory was provided within the two-week resubmission window following 15 December 2025.

The **Leave and Hospital in the Home Care** (L/HITH) national best endeavours data set is to capture periods of formal absences from care facilities within episodes of admitted patient care. In Quarter 1 2025-26, four out of eight States submitted this data set.

Data specifications can be found at publichospitalfunding.gov.au/publications/.

Monthly Financial Reporting

All monthly financial reports were completed by States on or before the due date of the 12th of the following month.

Maintenance of Effort

Under the Addendum (A102) and one-year extension, Parties agree to, at a minimum for the period of 2020-21 to 2025-26, maintain 2018-19 levels of funding for Public Hospital Services through the National Health Funding Pool (the Pool), while having regard to new, appropriate models of care that may change the setting in which care is delivered.

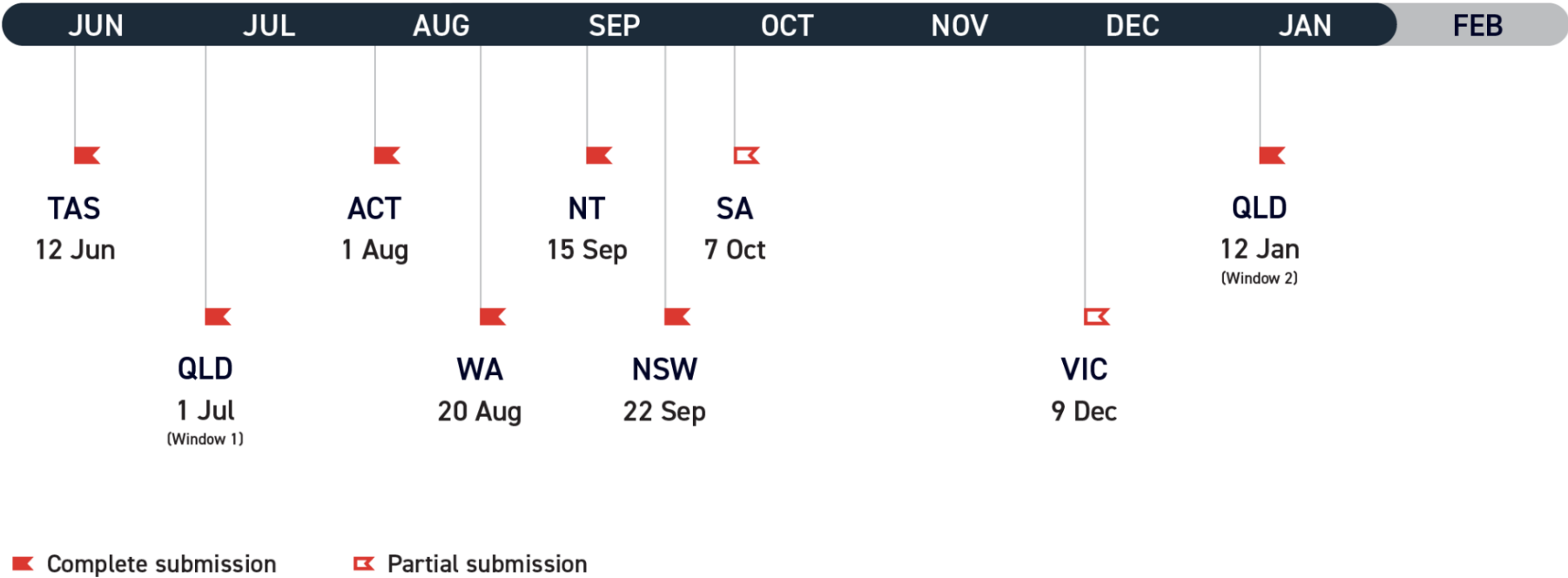
The Administrator's Annual Report 2024-25 - Maintenance of Effort was published on 17 December 2026 at publichospitalfunding.gov.au/publications following collaboration between the Administrator, the NHFB and all jurisdictions to improve the consistency and transparency of reporting.

Determinations, and final activity and entitlements – A153 report

Under the Addendum, the Administrator will ensure that determinations, and final activity and entitlements at the Local Hospital Network level, are publicly available for all years that the Addendum has been in operation (A153). The report will be discussed at the March 2026 Administrator JAC now that the 2024-25 Annual Reconciliation has been finalised.

2025-26 Service Agreement Provision Timeline

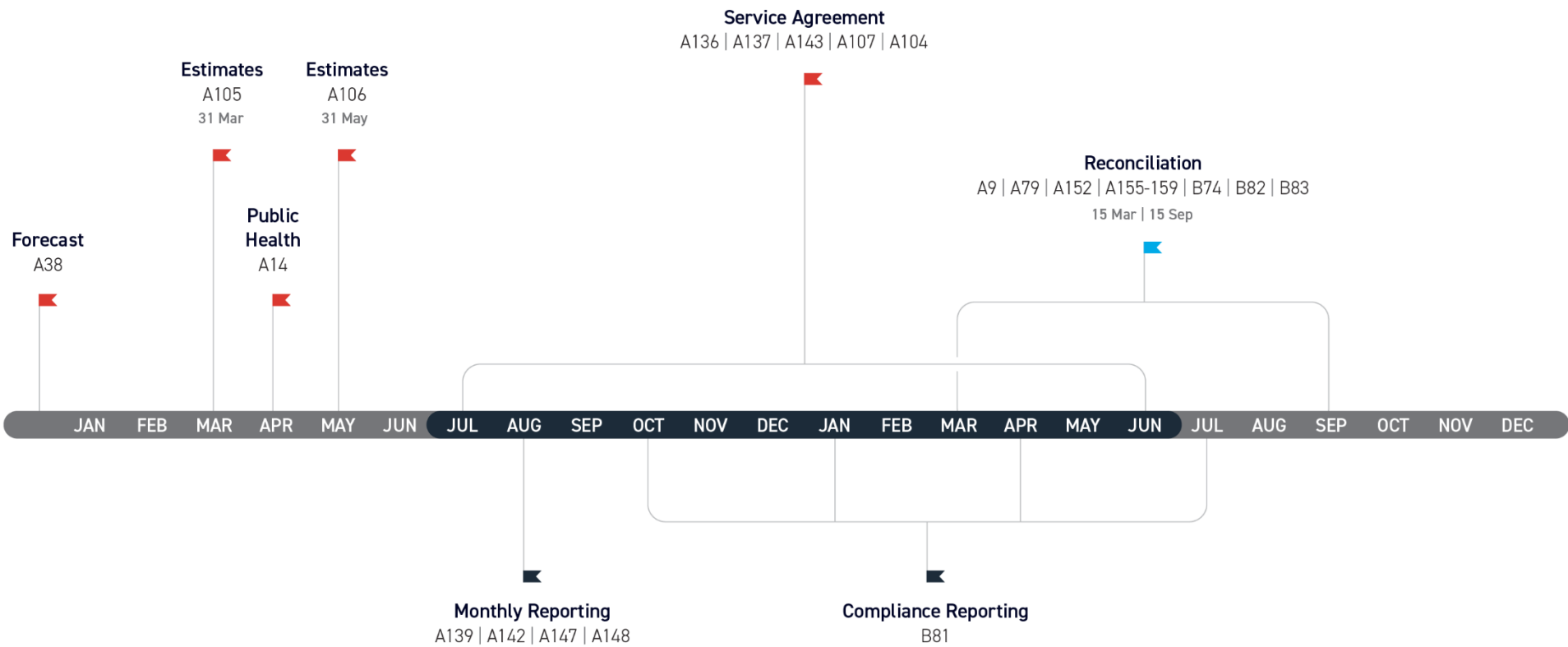
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Data Cycle

DATA PLAN

RELEVANT ADDENDUM CLAUSES: B66 | B67 | B70 | B71 | B72 | B76 | A154



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

TABLE 1 Service Agreement and activity submission compliance with the Administrator's Three-Year Data Plan

Data requirement	Clause^	Due date	Measurement	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
Service Agreements and Data Provision											
Estimated (aggregate) State and Territory NWAU by service category 2025-26	A105	31 Mar 25	Date submitted	31 Mar 25	31 Mar 25	31 Mar 25	28 Mar 25	31 Mar 25	26 Mar 25	1 Apr 25	1 Apr 25
Estimated LHN NWAU by service category 2025-26	A106	31 May 25	Date Submitted	30 May 25	20 May 25	30 May 25	30 May 25	29 May 25	31 May 25	4 Jun 25	16 Jun 25
2025-26 LHN Service Agreements provided to the Administrator (ABF and Block LHNs)	A107	Not applicable	Number of agreements	19/19	68/71 ¹	18/18 ¹	6/6	10/11 ¹	1/1 ¹	1/1 ¹	1/1
LHN Service Agreements provided within 14 days of finalisation	E8	Not applicable	Number of agreements	19/19	0/71	18/18	0/6	10/11	1/1	1/1	1/1
LHN Service Agreements include the number of services at the service category level to be provided by the LHN	E7(a)	Not applicable	Meets minimum requirements	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LHN Service Agreements include the mix of in-scope services at the service category level to be provided by the LHN	E7(a)	Not applicable	Meets minimum requirements	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LHN Service Agreements include the mix of out-of-scope services at the service category level to be provided by the LHN	A92 A95 A147	Not applicable	Meets minimum requirements	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
LHN Service Agreements include the level of ABF to be provided to the LHN	E7(c)	Not applicable	Meets minimum requirements	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

TABLE 1 Service Agreement and activity submission compliance with the Administrator's Three-Year Data Plan (continued)

Data requirement	Clause^	Due date	Measurement	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
Service Agreements and Data Provision											
LHN Service Agreements include the price set by the State (i.e. State Price) for each service category	A92 A95	Not applicable	Meets minimum requirements	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LHN Service Agreements include the level of Block Funding to be provided to the LHN	E7(c)	Not applicable	Meets minimum requirements	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LHN Service Agreements (ABF LHNs only) and estimated LHN NWAU aligned	A137 A143	Not applicable	Number of agreements aligned	18/18	0/42	16/16 ²	6/6	10/11	1/1	1/1	1/1
LHN Service Agreement ABF (\$) aligns to the Commonwealth Payment Advice (in-year activity)	E7(c)	Not applicable	Number of agreements	3/18	N/A ³	16/16	6/6	10/11	0/1	1/1	1/1
LHN Service Agreement Block Funding aligns to the National Efficient Cost (NEC)	E7(c) E7(d)	Not applicable	Yes or No	✗	Partial ⁴	Partial ⁴	Partial ⁴	Partial ⁴	Partial ⁴	Partial ⁴	Partial ⁴
Out-of-scope services funded through the Pool or State Managed Fund	A92 A95 A147	Not applicable	Yes or No	N/A	N/A	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓
Updates to estimated LHN NWAU 2025-26	A137	Not applicable	Date submitted	✓	N/A	✓	N/A	✓	✓ ²	✓ ²	N/A
Updated 2025-26 LHN Service Agreements provided to the Administrator (ABF and Block LHNs)	A143	Not applicable	Date submitted	N/A	N/A	18/18 ²	N/A	N/A	0/1 ²	0/1 ²	N/A

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												
Submission A (Quarter 1 2025-26)	B79	15 Dec	Submitted or Not submitted		Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted
Statement of Assurance	B82 B83	N/A	Submitted (if so, when) or Not Submitted	-	-	-	-	Submitted 12 Dec 25	-	-	-	-
Data Conditional Payment	A156- A159	15 Dec	Not applied or Applied		Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied
Sentinel Events	A166	N/A	Submitted or Not submitted		-	Submitted	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public Health amounts	A4	N/A	Submitted or Not submitted	Submitted								
Hospital List	A79 B72	15 Dec	Submitted or Not submitted		Submitted ⁵	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted ⁵	Submitted
Leave and Hospital in the Home	A9-A12	15 Dec	Submitted or Not submitted		Not available ⁶	Submitted	Submitted	Not available ⁶	Not available ⁶	Submitted	Submitted ⁵	Not available ⁶
Monthly Financial reports												
October 2025	A147 A148	12 Nov	Date submitted		10 Nov	6 Nov	11 Nov	11 Nov	12 Nov	10 Nov	5 Nov	28 Oct
November 2025	A147 A148	12 Dec	Date submitted		9 Dec	10 Dec	11 Dec	5 Dec	9 Dec	11 Dec	3 Dec	27 Nov
December 2025	A147 A148	12 Jan	Date submitted		7 Jan	8 Jan	12 Jan	9 Jan	9 Jan	8 Jan	6 Jan	19 Dec

TABLE 3 Submission and re-submission dates for Quarter 1 2025-26

Service category or Data type	Dataset	Submission or resubmission date	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
Emergency	ED Patient Level (ED)	Submission	10 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	4 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25
		Resubmission 1	12 Dec 25							
		Resubmission 2	17 Dec 25 ⁷							
	ED Aggregate Level (ES)	Submission	12 Dec 25				12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25		
Acute admitted Mental health Sub-acute and Non-acute	Admitted Patient Care (APC)	Submission	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	8 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25
		Resubmission 1				15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25			
	Mental Health Care - Phase (MHCP)	Submission	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	10 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25
		Resubmission 1				15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25			
	Mental Health Care - Episode (MHCE)	Submission	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	10 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25
		Resubmission 1				15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25			
	Palliative Care (PCC)	Submission	11 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	8 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25
		Resubmission 1				15 Dec 25				
	Non-Admitted Patient Level (NAP)	Submission	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	5 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25
		Resubmission 1				12 Dec 25				

TABLE 3 Submission and re-submission dates for Quarter 1 2025-26 (continued)

Service category or Data type	Dataset	Submission or resubmission date	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
Community mental health	Ambulatory Service Contact (ASC)	Submission	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	10 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25
		Resubmission 1			15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25				
Alternative Funding Source	Alternative Funding Source (AFS)	Submission	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	12 Dec 25			15 Dec 25	
		Resubmission 1				22 Dec 25 ⁸				
Sentinel Events	Sentinel Events (SE)	Submission		12 Dec 25						
Hospital List	Hospital List (HL)	Submission	19 Dec 25 ⁵	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25	16 Dec 25 ⁵	15 Dec 25
		Resubmission 1	14 Jan 26 ⁹							
Leave and Hospital in the Home	Leave and Hospital in the Home (L/HITH)	Submission		12 Dec 25	15 Dec 25			15 Dec 25	16 Dec 25 ⁵	

Comments

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Footnotes

1. Outstanding Service Agreements:
 - a. Victoria: Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute, St Vincent's Hospital (Melbourne) Limited, Contracted Services LHN Victoria
 - i. Note that for Virtual LHNs, a breakdown of In-scope NHR activity and funding by service category is required.
 - b. South Australia: Central Adelaide Local Health Network
 - c. Tasmania: awaiting amended 2025-26 Service Agreement
 - d. Australian Capital Territory: awaiting amended 2025-26 Service Agreement
2. LHN Service Agreements and Estimates align:
 - a. Queensland provided initial 'Window 1' Service Agreements in June 2025, which are aligned with estimates in the October 2025 and January 2026 Payment Advice. 'Window 2' service agreements were provided between December and January and will be implemented in the next 2025-26 Payment Advice and incorporated into the March 2026 Quarterly Compliance Report.
 - b. Tasmania provided updated estimates for the January 2026 Payment Advice. The amended service agreement has not yet been provided.
 - c. The Australian Capital Territory provided updated estimates for the January 2026 Payment Advice. The amended service agreement has not yet been provided.
3. Victoria's Service Agreements do not provide a breakdown of Commonwealth and State NHR Activity Based Funding.
4. Partial refers to some service categories aligning with the National Efficient Cost Determination 2025-26, but not all.
5. New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory submitted their hospital list after the 15 December submission date, but within the 2-week resubmission window. The Australian Capital Territory also submitted their L/HITH file within this window. These files are deemed compliant on a qualified basis for the December quarter.
6. Submission of the L/HITH file is required under the *Administrator's Three Year Data Plan* from 2024-25 onwards. Several States advised us that they were unable to submit this file for Quarter 1 2025-26 and are working towards submitting it later in 2025-26.
7. Resubmission of Queensland's Emergency Department (patient level) file requested due to data quality issues.
8. Resubmission of Western Australia's Alternative Funding Source file requested due to linking issues.
9. Resubmission of New South Wales Hospital List file requested due to minor data quality issues.