



Administrator
National Health
Funding Pool

QUARTERLY COMPLIANCE REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2026

Understanding the Administrator's Quarterly Compliance Report

Clause I84 of the *Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement 2026-2031* (the Addendum) 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 2026-27 to 2028-29*.

Clause A162 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 Data Compliance Policy 2026-27*.

Executive Summary

2026-27 Service Agreements

As of **16 October 2026**, **six out of eight** States submitted all 2026-27 Service Agreements to the Administrator, with Victoria and South Australia providing partial submissions.

87 of 123 service agreements have been submitted to the Administrator.

- Of the **87** service agreements submitted, **72** were provided to the Administrator within the required 14 calendar days from finalisation or amendment.
- Of the submitted ABF LHN Service Agreements, **35** align to activity estimate submissions.
- **New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania, the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory** reported out-of-scope activity and out-of-scope funding in their Service Agreements.
- **All** 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 4 NHR Data Submissions

With respect to the timeliness of **Submission A**, **six out of eight** States provided their data on time by 15 September 2026. Outstanding data from Queensland and Western Australia was provided within the two-week resubmission window following 15 September.

With respect to the timeliness of **Submission B**, **seven out of eight** States provided their data on time by 15 September 2026. Outstanding data from the Northern Territory was provided on 16 September 2026.

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 4 2025-26, **five 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, or the next working day if the 12th falls on a weekend.

Maintenance of Effort

Under the Addendum 2020-21 to 2024-25 (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 2025 at publichospitalfunding.gov.au/publications/ following collaboration between the Administrator, the NHFB and all jurisdictions to improve the consistency and transparency of reporting.

The *Administrator's Annual Report 2025-26 – Maintenance of Effort* is being prepared for publishing once the 2025-26 Annual Reconciliation is finalised.

Under the Addendum 2026-27 to 2030-31 (A185), for the period 2026-27 to 2030-31, Parties agree to, at a minimum, maintain 2025-26 levels of funding for public hospital and health services through the National Health Funding Pool and State Managed Funds, while having regard to new, appropriate models of care that may change the setting in which care is delivered. The Maintenance of Effort Report will include block funding for this period, whereas for prior years it only included activity based funding.

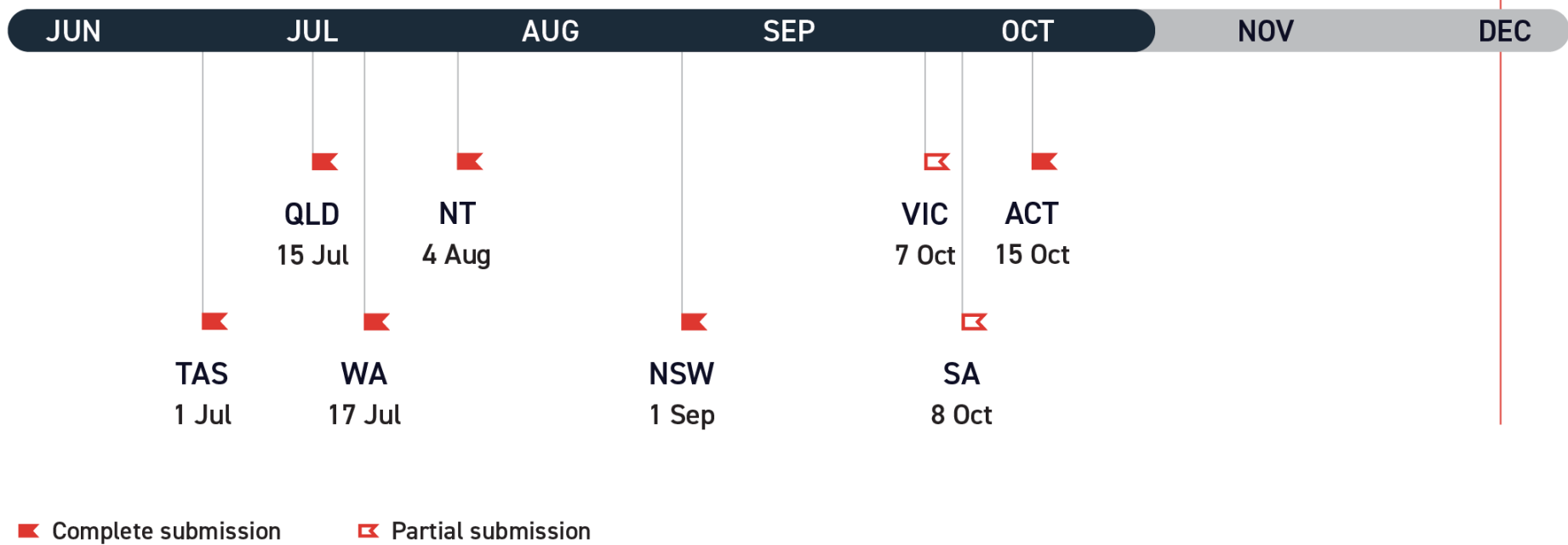
Determinations, and final activity and entitlements – A153 report

Under the Addendum 2020-2025 (A153) and one-year extension, the Administrator will ensure that determinations, and final activity and entitlements at the LHN level, are publicly available for all years the Addendum is in operation. Once the 2025-26 Annual Reconciliation is finalised, the Administrator will publish the A153 Report for years 2020-21 to 2025-26.

2026-27 Service Agreement Provision Timeline

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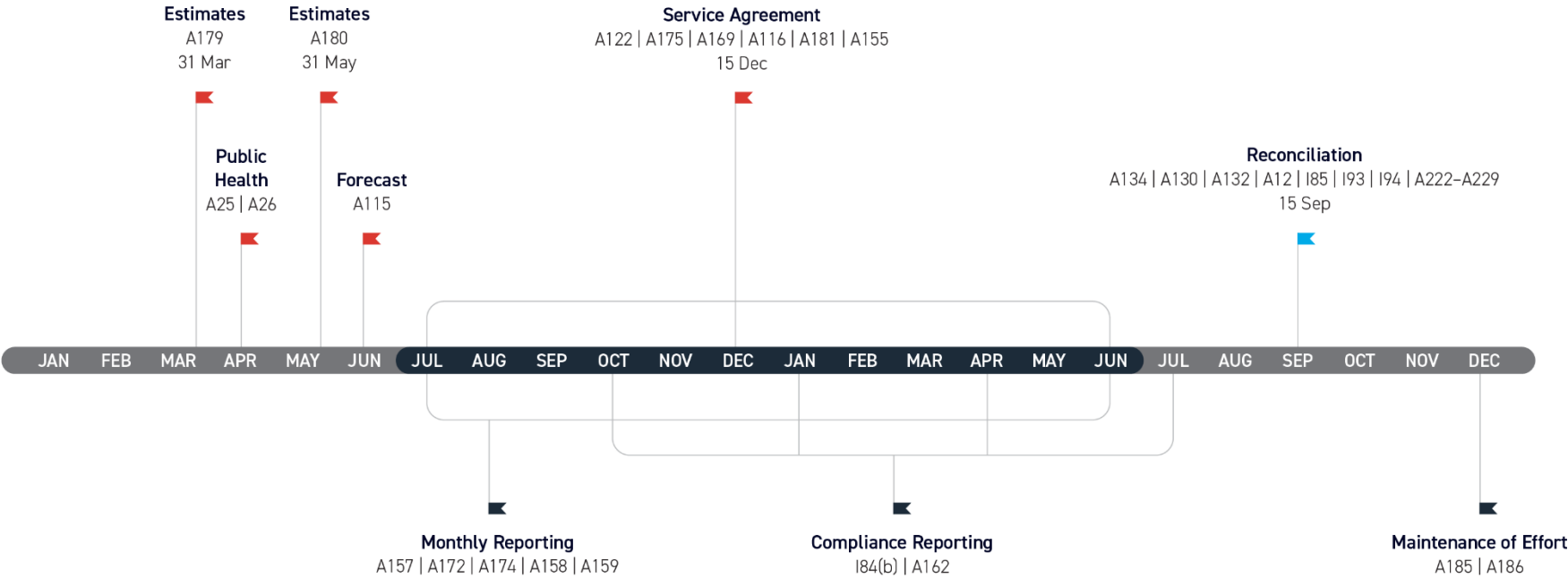
Deadline
15 Dec (A169)



Data Cycle

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RELEVANT ADDENDUM CLAUSES: I78 | I79 | I81 | I82 | I84 | I92 | I93 | I94



Note: All clauses are from the *Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement 2026–2031* (the Addendum).
Dates shown for Reconciliation and Compliance Reporting are set by the Administrator’s data plan, not 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 (as of 16 October)											
Estimated (aggregate) State and Territory NWAU by service category 2026-27	A179	31 Mar 26	Date submitted	31 Mar 26	31 Mar 26	31 Mar 26	30 Mar 26	31 Mar 26	01 Apr 26	30 Mar 26	17 Mar 26
Estimated LHN NWAU by service category 2026-27	A180	31 May 26	Date Submitted	29 May 26	29 May 26	27 May 26	28 May 26	31 May 26	01 Jun 26	15 Jun 26	04 Jun 26
2026-27 LHN Service Agreements provided to the Administrator (ABF and Block LHNs)	A169	Not applicable	Number of agreements	19/19	31/66 ¹	18/18	6/6	10/11 ¹	1/1	1/1	1/1
LHN Service Agreements provided within 14 days of finalisation	E8	Not applicable	Number of agreements	19/19	16/66 ¹	18/18	6/6	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	A168 A177 A158	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	A168 A177	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	A122(b) A175	Not applicable	Number of agreements aligned	18/18	0/39 ²	0/16 ²	6/6	9/11	1/1	0/1 ²	1/1
LHN Service Agreement ABF (\$) aligns to the Commonwealth Payment Advice (in-year activity)	E7(c)	Not applicable	Number of agreements	13/18	N/A ²	3/16 ²	6/6	9/11	0/1	1/1	1/1
Out-of-scope services funded through the Pool or State Managed Fund	A168 A177 A158	Not applicable	Yes or No	N/A	N/A	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓
Updates to estimated LHN NWAU 2026-27	A122(b)	Not applicable	Yes or No	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Updated 2026-27 LHN Service Agreements provided to the Administrator (ABF and Block LHNs)	A175	Not applicable	Date submitted	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	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 4 2025-26)	B79	15 Sep	Submitted or Not submitted		Submitted	Submitted	Submitted ³	Submitted ³	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted
Submission B (Quarter 4 2025-26)	B74	15 Sep	Submitted or Not submitted		Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted ⁴
Private Patient Revenue data	B72 B73	15 Sep	Submitted or Not submitted		Not submitted	Not submitted	Submitted	Not submitted	Not submitted	Not submitted	Not submitted	Not submitted
HST cost data	B72 B73 C11	15 Sep	Submitted or Not submitted		Submitted	Submitted ⁵	Submitted	Submitted				
MBS and PBS data	A9	15 Sep	Submitted or Not submitted	Submitted								
Statement of Assurance	B82 B83	15 Sep	Submitted (if so, when) or Not Submitted	Submitted 25 Sep 26	Submitted 16 Sep 26	Submitted 15 Sep 26	Submitted 15 Sep 26	Submitted 15 Sep 26	Submitted 11 Sep 26	Submitted 15 Sep 26	Submitted 15 Sep 26	Submitted 25 Sep 26
Data Conditional Payment	A156- A159	15 Sep	Not applied or Applied		Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied	Not applied
Sentinel Events	A166	15 Sep	Submitted or Not submitted		Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	N/A ⁶	Submitted
Public Health amounts	A4	N/A	Submitted or Not submitted	Submitted								
Hospital List	A79 B72	15 Sep	Submitted or Not submitted		Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted
Leave and Hospital in the Home	A9-A12	15 Sep	Submitted or Not submitted		Not available ⁷	Submitted	Submitted	Not available ⁷	Submitted	Submitted	Submitted	Not available ⁷

Data requirement	Clause*	Due date	Measurement	CW	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
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Monthly Financial Reports

July 2026	A158 A159	12 Aug	Date submitted		11 Aug	12 Aug	6 Aug	10 Aug	5 Aug	12 Aug	6 Aug	4 Aug
August 2026	A158 A159	14 Sep	Date submitted		11 Sep	14 Sep	7 Sep	11 Sep	10 Sep	9 Sep	07 Sep	31 Aug
September 2026	A158 A159	12 Oct	Date submitted		8 Oct	12 Oct	12 Oct	9 Oct	8 Oct	9 Oct	6 Oct	29 Sep

TABLE 3 Submission and re-submission dates for Quarter 4 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	9 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	10 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	10 Sep 26	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 1	23 Sep 26 ⁸							
	ED Aggregate Level (ES)	Submission		14 Sep 26			11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26		
Acute admitted Mental health Sub-acute and non-acute	Admitted Patient Care (APC)	Submission	9 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	16 Sep 26 ³	11 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	10 Sep 26	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 2	21 Sep 26 ⁸							
		Resubmission 3	23 Sep 26 ⁸							
		Resubmission 4	29 Sep 26 ⁸							

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Service category or Data type	Dataset	Submission or resubmission date	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
	Mental Health Care - Phase (MHCP)	Submission	9 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	16 Sep 26 ³	12 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 1			17 Sep 26 ⁸		29 Sep 26 ⁹	29 Sep 26 ¹⁰		
		Resubmission 2			23 Sep 26 ⁸					
		Resubmission 3			29 Sep 26 ⁸					
	Mental Health Care - Episode (MHCE)	Submission	9 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	16 Sep 26 ³	12 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 1			17 Sep 26 ⁸					
		Resubmission 2			23 Sep 26 ⁸					
		Resubmission 3			29 Sep 26 ⁸					
	Palliative Care (PCC)	Submission	9 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	16 Sep 26 ³	16 Sep 26 ³	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	10 Sep 26	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 1			17 Sep 26 ⁸					
		Resubmission 2			21 Sep 26 ⁸					
		Resubmission 3			23 Sep 26 ⁸					
		Resubmission 4			29 Sep 26 ⁸					
Non-admitted	Non-Admitted Patient Level (NAP)	Submission	9 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	10 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	10 Sep 26	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 1			19 Oct 26 ¹¹					

TABLE 3 Submission and re-submission dates for Quarter 4 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	9 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	16 Sep 26 ³	12 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 1			17 Sep 26 ⁸			29 Sep 26 ¹⁰		
		Resubmission 2			21 Sep 26 ⁸					
		Resubmission 3			23 Sep 26 ⁸					
		Resubmission 4			29 Sep 26 ⁸					
Alternative Funding Source	Alternative Funding Source (AFS)	Submission	10 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	11 Sep 26		15 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	
		Resubmission 1	18 Sep 26 ¹²		21 Sep 26 ⁸	17 Sep 26 ¹³		6 Oct 26 ¹⁴		
		Resubmission 2	6 Oct 26 ¹¹		25 Sep 26 ⁸					
Sentinel Events	Sentinel Events (SE)	Submission	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	10 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	N/A ⁶	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 1	15 Sep 26				15 Sep 26			25 Sep 26 ⁹
		Resubmission 2	18 Sep 26 ⁹							
HST cost data	Highly Specialised Therapies (HST)	Submission	15 Sep 26	16 Oct 26 ⁵	15 Sep 26	15 Sep 26				
		Resubmission 1			21 Sep 26 ¹⁵					
Private Patient Revenue	Private Patient Revenue (PPR)	Submission			15 Sep 26					

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Service category or Data type	Dataset	Submission or resubmission date	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
Hospital List	Hospital List (HL)	Submission	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	14 Sep 26
		Resubmission 1	17 Sep 26 ⁹		29 Sep 26 ⁶					
Leave and Hospital in the Home	Leave and Hospital in the Home (L/HITH)	Submission		14 Sep 26	15 Sep 26		11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	
Submission B	FL1 (Admitted) FL2 (Non-Admitted) FL3 (Emergency)	Submission	14 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	11 Sep 26	15 Sep 26	14 Sep 26	16 Sep 26 ⁴

Comments

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Footnotes

1. Outstanding Service Agreements:
 - a. Victoria: 35 Service Agreements yet to be provided.
 - b. South Australia: Women's and Children's LHN.
2. Alignment of Service Agreements with Commonwealth Payment Advice Estimates & ABF:
 - a. Victoria: Service Agreements do not provide a breakdown of Commonwealth and State NHR Activity Based Funding. Alignment with Commonwealth ABF cannot be assessed.
 - b. Queensland: Estimated NWAU & Commonwealth ABF will align once Window 2 Service Agreements are provided and incorporated into the payment advice.
 - c. Australian Capital Territory: Estimated NWAU will align with the Service Agreement once incorporated into the payment advice.
3. Initial data submissions for Queensland and Western Australia delayed due to technical issues loading the data to the IHACPA portal. These files are deemed compliant on a qualified basis.
4. The Northern Territory Submission B files were submitted after 15 September, but within the 2-week resubmission window. These files are deemed non-compliant for the September quarter.
5. HST cost data from Victoria was submitted on 16 October after an extension was granted by the Administrator.
6. The Australian Capital Territory had no Sentinel Events to report for Quarter 4.
7. Submission of the L/HITH file is required under the Administrator's Three-Year Data Plan from 2024-25 onwards. Several states advised that they were unable to submit this file for Quarter 4 2025-26 and are working towards submitting it in a future reporting period.
8. Resubmissions requested to address multiple data quality and linkage issues following technical issues loading initial data submissions to the IHACPA portal.
9. Resubmission requested by NHFB to correct linkage issues.
10. Resubmission requested by Tasmania to correct data quality issues in reporting community mental health services.
11. Resubmission requested by NHFB to correct miscoded private patients.
12. Resubmission requested by NHFB to correct funding indicator for Highly Specialised Therapies records.
13. Resubmission requested by NHFB to correct duplicate records.
14. Resubmission requested by NHFB to identify records funded through Schedule K to the NHRA.
15. Queensland noted in their Statement of Assurance that initial Highly Specialised Therapies costs data was preliminary and may need to be resubmitted during the 2-week window. This subsequent resubmission was accepted.