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The NHS Federated Data Platform: the importance of building bridges with the public

In this extended blog, the NDG acknowledges the public's concerns about the NHS Federated Data Platform programme and advises the system how it might address them.

From: [National Data Guardian](#)
Published 24 August 2023



Dr Nicola Byrne, National Data Guardian

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Intelligent use of data

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Making better use of data will optimise performance and harness population health insights, whilst ensuring robust data protection standards. Intelligent use of data, underpinned by seamless access, will support integrated management of our health and care pathways.

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NICE National Institute for Health and Care Excellence

NICE real-world evidence framework

Corporate document
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Using NHS data to improve healthcare

Professor Sir Chris Whitty writes for The Times on how using data effectively and safely can improve patient care and bolster research

From: [Department of Health and Social Care](#) and [Professor Chris Whitty](#)
Published 29 September 2023

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POLICY AND STRATEGY, DOCUMENT

Digital and data strategy for health and social care in Wales

To improve the way we deliver modern health and care services through technology and use of data.

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A PDF download of this document will be available soon.

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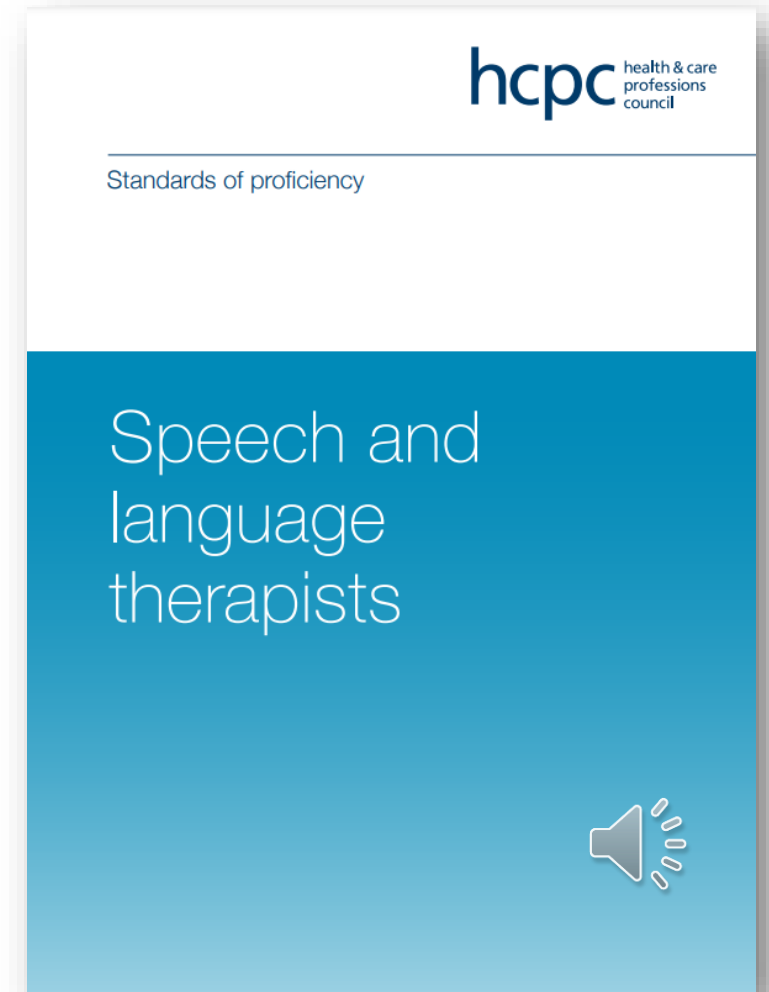
Ministerial foreword

Foreword by Minister for Health and Social Services

The standards of proficiency for speech and language therapists

“...speech and language therapists must be able to **assure the quality of their practice**” (standard 11)

<https://bit.ly/HCPC-SLT>



HCPC: Quality

11.1 engage in **evidence-based practice**

11.2 gather and use feedback and information, including **qualitative & quantitative data**, to evaluate the response of service users to their care

11.3 monitor and systematically evaluate the quality of practice, and maintain an effective **quality** management and quality assurance process working towards **continual improvement**

11.4 participate in **quality** management, including quality control, quality assurance, clinical governance and the use of appropriate **outcome measures**

11.5 **evaluate** care plans or intervention plans using recognised and appropriate **outcome measures**, in conjunction with the service user where possible, and revise the plans as necessary

11.6 recognise the value of **gathering and using data** for quality assurance and improvement programmes



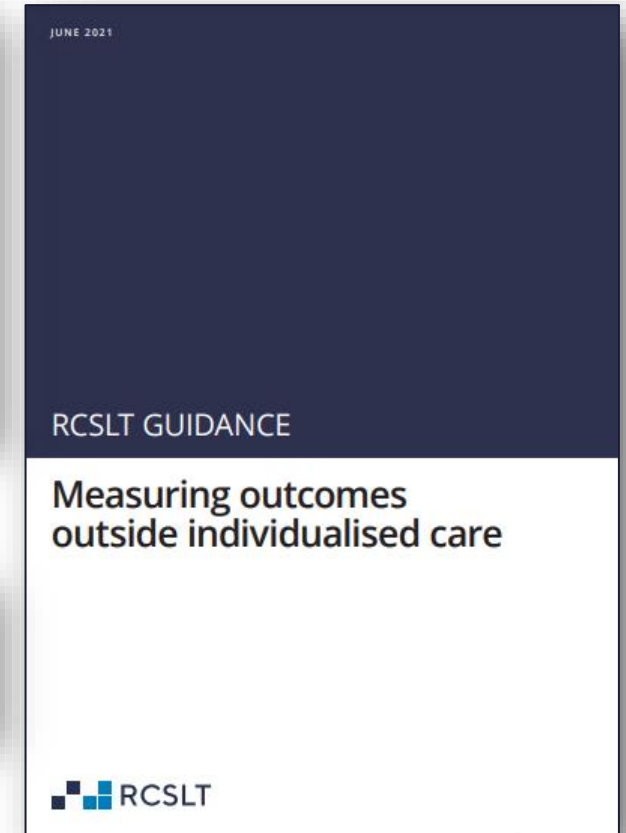
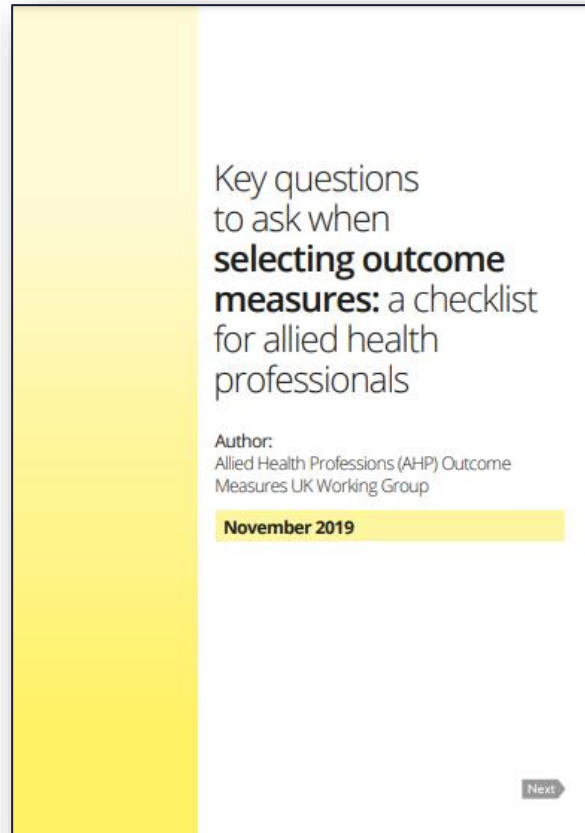
RCSLT Vision

**“Evidence-based practice firmly established
in the profession and outcomes measured
routinely”**

<https://bit.ly/RCSLTVision>



Useful resources



RCSLT Online Outcome Tool

The RCSLT Online Outcome Tool (ROOT) supports speech and language therapy services with:

- Collecting and collating Therapy Outcome Measures (TOMs) data
- Evaluating and reporting outcomes

WHAT IS ROOT?



<https://bit.ly/ROOTintro>



The ROOT in numbers

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organisations
actively using the
ROOT

100+

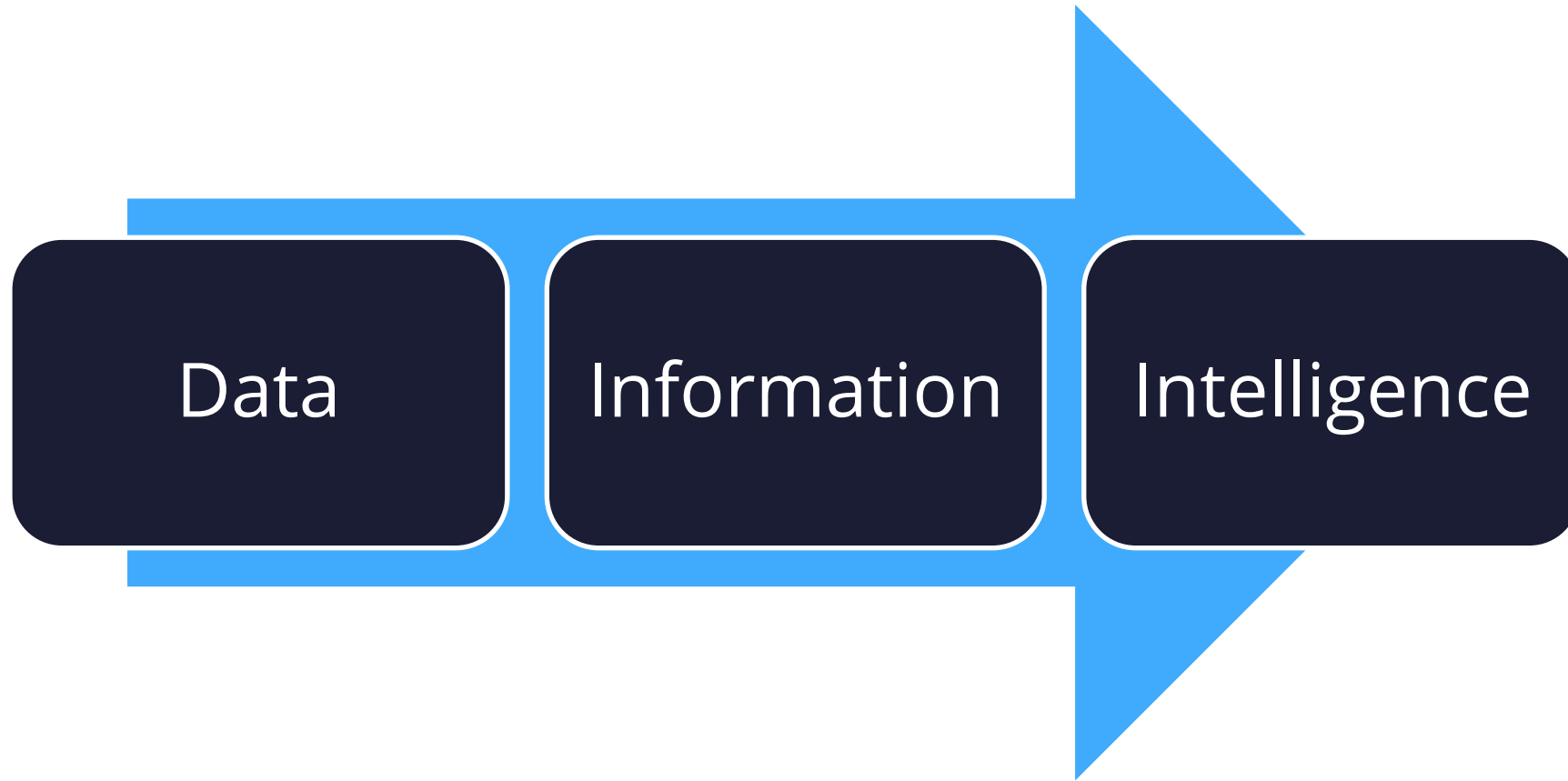
organisations
have registered

81,000

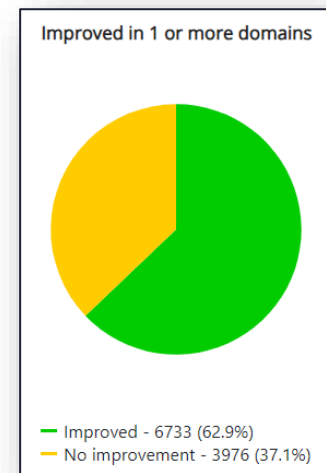
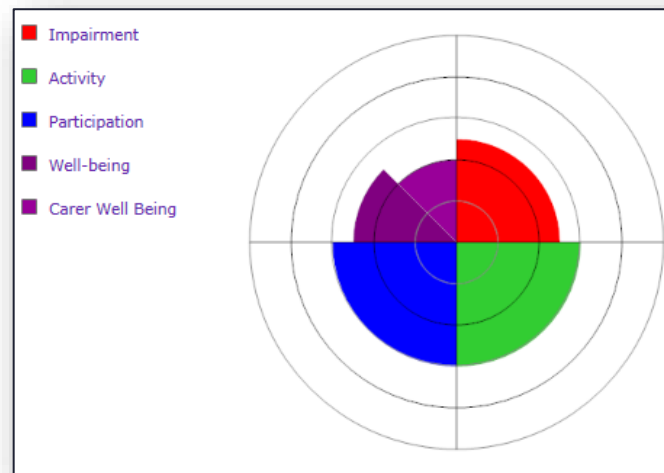
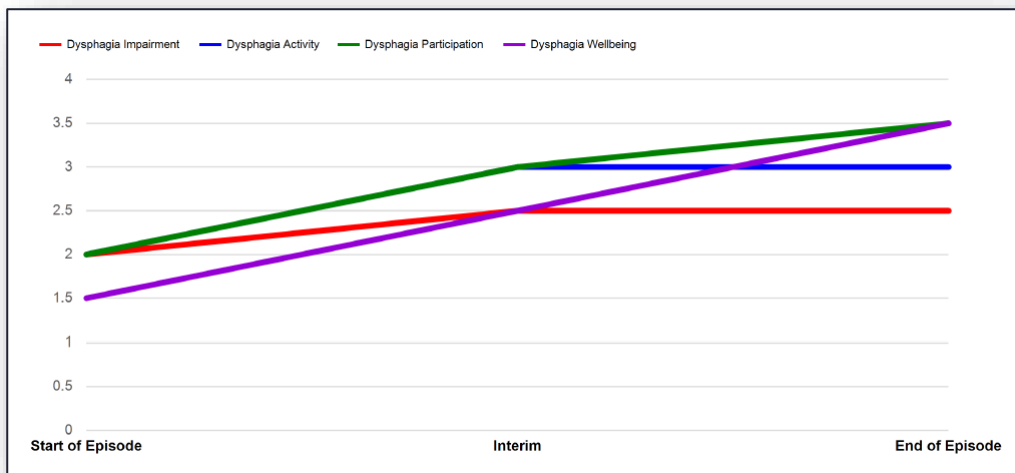
outcomes in the
database













What does the ROOT do?



How?



	Impairment			Activity			Participation			Wellbeing			Carer Wellbeing		
Average Type	Start	End	Change	Start	End	Change	Start	End	Change	Start	End	Change	Start	End	Change
Mean	2.78	3.9	1.16	2.88	3.99	1.13	3.72	4.48	0.78	3.69	4.44	0.78	4.25	4.5	0
Mean															

	Average Type													
All Toms Scales Episodes: (49) Patients: (49)	Mean	2.77	3.11	0.35	2.73	3.28	0.54	2.57	3.09	0.52	2.54	3.1	0.56	
	Median	3	3	0.5	3	3.5	0.5	2.5	3	0.5	3	3	0.5	
Cleft Lip or Palate Episodes: (8) Patients: (8)	Mean	2.94	3	0.06	3	3.25	0.25	2.69	3	0.31	2.81	2.88	0.06	
	Median	3	3	0.25	3	3.5	0.25	2.75	3	0.5	3	2.75	0	
Dysfluency Episodes: (10) Patients: (10)	Mean	3.15	3.5	0.35	3.1	3.4	0.3	2.5	2.95	0.45	2.55	2.95	0.4	
	Median	3.25	3.5	0.75	2.75	3.25	0.25	2.5	3	0.5	2.75	3	0.5	
Dysphagia Episodes: (23) Patients: (23)	Mean	2.33	2.72	0.39	2.33	3.04	0.72	2.2	2.93	0.74	2.13	3	0.67	
	Median	2.5	2.75	0.25	2.5	2.75	0.75	2	2.5	0.5	2.25	2.75	0.75	
Dysphonia Episodes: (8) Patients: (8)	Mean	3.83	4.17	0.33	3.75	4.08	0.33	4.17	4.08	-0.08	4.08	4	-0.08	
	Median	3.75	4	0.25	3.5	3.75	0.25	4	3.75	-0.25	4	3.75	-0.25	

TOP 5 REASONS TO USE THE ROOT

Ensures high quality care for your patients

Provides a 'temperature check' of your overall outcomes, supporting SLTs with their clinical decision making and reflective practice

Evaluates the impact of your interventions

Assists with identifying what is working well and where there are areas for improvement

"ROOT equips us with a means of highlighting the areas where we have effected positive change"

Supports improvement of your speech and language therapy services

Informs decisions about service delivery and evidences the need for change

Highlights the impact of your service to key stakeholders, including funders and commissioners

Enables SLTs to demonstrate the difference that they make and showcase the value of speech and language therapy

Gives your service a role in influencing - locally and nationally

Provides a wealth of information that can be used by the RCSLT and its members to illustrate the role and impact of speech and language therapy

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Support available



Queries and
questions



Implementation



Training



Technical support
& troubleshooting



Interrogating the
data



Interested in finding out more?

- Contact the team: root@rcslt.org
- Visit the RCSLT website: <https://bit.ly/3QqZnAn>
- Come along to one of our monthly drop-in sessions on Teams, advertised at: <https://www.rcslt-root.org>
- Join the ROOT professional network <https://bit.ly/ROOT-network>





Thank you for listening!

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