



Advisory Board actions and key messages - 16 October 2024

This note summarises the key information for sharing and actions for members arising from the 16th of October 2024 Advisory Board. We encourage you to distribute these notes within your organisations as appropriate.

New advisory board representatives

We are delighted to welcome the following new members and attendees: CNIO Network's Simon Noel (Chair) and Louise Croxall, CCIO Network's Dermot O'Riordan, Alec Price-Forbes – recently appointed NHS England CCIO, Scott Reid, NHS England Technology Standards and Services Partnership Team, Jocelyn Palmer, Programme Director, OneLondon – representing NHS England ICS Programme Directors Group, Prabha Vijayakumar, NHS England National AHP Information Officer.

Fairwell to Maureen Baker

At the end of October 2024, **Professor Maureen Baker CBE** will step down after seven years as Chair of the PRSB. We are very grateful for everything she has given to the PRSB. You are invited to sign her leaving card by Monday 21st October [here](#).

Professor Reecha Sofat will be joining us as incoming chair at the beginning of November. Reecha is a Clinical Pharmacologist and brings a wealth of knowledge and a passion for data science, extensive clinical and research insights. She has a dedication to embedding research into routine health and social care and you will have opportunities to meet her soon. We will be in touch to arrange introductory meetings.

Person characteristic Discovery for NHS England

PRSB has recently been awarded a contract with NHS England to gather intelligence on the clinical requirements relating to person characteristics, as they develop a draft model of suggested data items including definitions, for each characteristic. We are delighted to be working in partnership with FEDIP (Federation for Informatics Professionals in Health and Care) on a discovery phase of work and will be engaging broadly on the model from October to January 2025.

Members priorities for standards 2024-25

Building on previous Advisory Board discussions, we are seeking a consensus view from our members and stakeholders on our priorities in the following categories:

- Initiating** – key gaps and areas where **new standards** would be beneficial
- Improving** – where significant work is needed to existing standards to **improve their usefulness**
- Implementing** – where focused effort is needed to **drive uptake** of a specific standard

We would very much appreciate your feedback on both our prioritisation criteria and the standards themselves. A proposed short list is reflected in the October slides (attached in this email) and we will be circulating a survey to facilitate further feedback shortly. The information will be used to influence commissioners and policy makers and to actively seek funding in the areas our members tell us are most important.

Coalition for change

At our July advisory board, we brainstormed priority actions aligned with our five strategic missions. Thanks to members' enthusiasm, we launched our coalition for change at the September AGM (see [here](#)). We welcome your feedback on whether our priorities are on track. Our upcoming *Start with Standards* campaign will focus on promoting the role of standards in improving care, and we'll keep you updated with ways to get involved.

Clinical Safety Officer (CSO) training

Interest in this important clinical skill continues to grow along with great feedback from attendees on the sessions which have taken place. For training dates and registration, please go to <https://theprsb.org/clinicalsaftyofficertraining/>.

Calendar invites for 2025 Advisory Board meetings will follow shortly – the next one is 21st January, at 1pm – 3pm. We welcome member presentations and discussions at Advisory Boards. Do get in touch to tell us any topics you'd like to discuss at future meetings – info@prsb.org.

