

National Minimum Data Set for Social Care (NMDS-SC)

Local authority adults' services collection 2018

How we can help

Local authorities have been advised by NHS Digital that they're required to complete a NMDS-SC return. This has been endorsed by the Outcomes and Information Development Board (OIDB) which is chaired by ADASS and the Department of Health.

The upload will take place between **10 September 2018 and 12 October 2018**. Skills for Care, as the provider of the NMDS-SC, is supporting all local authorities to do this.

We've put together a full range of guidance and documentation to help local authorities with their return. This can be found at:

www.nmds-sc-online.org.uk > Help and Guidance > Help and Guidance for Local Authorities.

Type of support	Details	Contact information and where to go
Task management checklist	This document has been developed based on our experience of working with local authorities over five years. It will help you manage your data collection efficiently and in a way that is sustainable.	You can find the checklist in our Help & Guidance for Local Authorities page (see above). A direct link is here: www.nmds-sc-online.org.uk/content/view.aspx?id=Local%20Authorities
Support Service Available 9am - 5pm Monday - Friday	Our support team are available by phone or email to deal with any queries. If your enquiry is complex, they may direct your query to a specialist, and will also let your Locality Manager know that you have been in touch.	Tel 0845 8730129 or email nmds-support@skillsforcare.org.uk

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Booked telephone support	<p>If you need some one-to-one support, you can book a session with our support team.</p> <p>This could be to follow up on certain points that may be specific to your LA return.</p> <p>Make sure you're sat at your computer with access to NMDS-SC online during this call to talk through your progress or issues.</p>	<p>To book a session please email nmds-support@skillsforcare.org.uk or contact the support team on 0845 8730129</p>
LA cluster groups/networks/forum support	<p>Many of Skills for Care's geographical areas have NMDS-SC groups that meet a few times per year to raise and answer questions, debate issues and share good practice.</p> <p>A number of sessions will offer workshop-style advice and guidance for the 2018 return.</p> <p>A powerpoint presentation giving helpful advice is available under "what you need to do" on the one stop shop page.</p>	<p>To find out if your area has an existing group please contact your Skills for Care Locality Manager. Contact details are available here.</p>
Locality Manager support	<p>Our Locality Managers can support you by communicating key dates and tasks; signposting you to a range of helpful resources and how to make use of the Support Team.</p> <p>They'll arrange and support workshops, gather questions and ensure you receive responses in a timely way. Once the 'window' for the return is open, they'll direct you to the Support Team for assistance. They can also link you to other local authorities for peer to peer support.</p>	<p>Locality contact details are available here.</p>