

NHS England Quality Accounts List 2025-26

The table below lists the National Clinical Audits, Clinical Outcome Review Programmes and other national quality improvement programmes which NHS England advises Trusts to prioritise for participation and inclusion in their Quality Accounts for 2025-26.

The legislation governing Quality Accounts is found in The Health Act (2009) and The National Health Service (Quality Accounts) Regulations (2010). These state that local healthcare providers must publish a 'Quality Account' written document each year, which sets out information in relation to the quality of their services. The legislation does not impose any requirement on a healthcare service provider to participate in specific national clinical audits or enquiries, simply to report on whether or not they have participated in them, in the annual Quality Account written report. The legislation does not refer directly to the NHS England Quality Accounts List (The List) at any point.

However, the NHS Standard Contract ('SC26 Clinical Networks, National Audit Programmes and Approved Research Studies' specifically 26.1.2 and sub bullets 26.1.2.1 / 26.1.2.2 / 26.1.2.3') sets out the requirement to participate in the Quality Account 'The List'. See web link here³:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/03-nhssc-2526-full-length-service-conditions-final.pdf>

In addition, the NHS Standard Contract gives commissioners the power to require remedial action of healthcare service providers who fail to participate in an NCAPOP project. This provides scope for withholding funding in the event of sustained non-compliance. Project providers inform HQIP if a trust has failed to participate, and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) may investigate this during a trust inspection and levy a fine.

For further information about the statutory function of this list, please refer to [HQIP's Quality Accounts webpage](#).

Programme count	Work stream count	Project Name	Workstream Name	Provider Organisation	Included in NCAPOP ²
1	1	BAUS Data & Audit Programme	a) British audit Of the investigatiOn and referral of woMen with rEcurrent uRinary trAct infectionN using recent Guidance (BOOMERANG)	The British Association of Urological Surgeons (BAUS)	✗
	2		b) Evaluating the Management Pathway for Suspected Testicular Cancer Referrals (EMPAST)		
2	3	Breast and Cosmetic Implant Registry		NHS England	✗
3	4	British Spine Registry		British Spine Registry	✗
4	5	Case Mix Programme (CMP)		Intensive Care National Audit & Research Centre (ICNARC)	✗
5	6	Child Health Clinical Outcome Review Programme ¹		National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD)	✓

6	7	Cleft Registry and Audit Network (CRANE) Database		Royal College of Surgeons of England (RCS)	×
7	8	Emergency Medicine QIPs:	a) Adolescent Mental Health	Royal College of Emergency Medicine	×
	9		b) Care of Older People		
	10		c) Mental Health Self Harm		
	11		d) Time Critical Medications		
8	12	Epilepsy12: National Clinical Audit of Seizures and Epilepsies for Children and Young People ¹		Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health	✓
9	13	Falls and Fragility Fracture Audit Programme (FFFAP) ¹ :	a) Fracture Liaison Service Database (FLS-DB)	Royal College of Physicians	✓
	14		b) National Audit of Inpatient Falls (NAIF)		
	15		c) National Hip Fracture Database (NHFD)		
10	16	Learning from lives and deaths – People with a learning disability and autistic people (LeDeR)		NHS England	×
11	17	Maternal, Newborn and Infant Clinical Outcome Review Programme ¹		University of Oxford / MBRRACEUK collaborative	✓
12	18	Medical and Surgical Clinical Outcome Review Programme ¹		National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD)	✓
13	19	Mental Health Clinical Outcome Review Programme ¹		The University of Manchester / National Confidential Inquiry into Suicide and Safety in Mental Health (NCISH)	✓
14	20	National Adult Diabetes Audit (NDA) ⁴ :	a) National Diabetes Core Audit. Includes: - Care Processes and Treatment Targets - Complications & Mortality - Type 1 Diabetes - Learning Disability and Mental Health - Structured Education - Prisons and Secure Mental Health Settings	NHS England (formerly NHS Digital)	×
	21		b) Diabetes Prevention Programme (DPP) Audit		
	22		c) National Diabetes Footcare Audit (NDFA)		
	23		d) National Diabetes Inpatient Safety Audit (NDISA)		
	24		e) National Pregnancy in Diabetes Audit (NPID)		
	25		f) Transition (Adolescents and Young Adults) and Young Type 2 Audit		
	26		g) Gestational Diabetes Audit		

15	27	National Audit of Cardiac Rehabilitation		University of York	✗
16	28	National Audit of Cardiovascular Disease Prevention in Primary Care (CVDPrevent) ¹		NHS Benchmarking Network	✓
17	29	National Audit of Care at the End of Life (NACEL) ¹		NHS Benchmarking Network	✓
18	30	National Audit of Dementia (NAD) ¹		Royal College of Psychiatrists	✓
19	31	National Audit of Eating Disorders (NAED) ¹		Royal College of Psychiatrists	✓
20	32	National Bariatric Surgery Registry		British Obesity & Metabolic Surgery Society	✗
21	33	National Cancer Audit Collaborating Centre (NATCAN):	National Audit of Metastatic Breast Cancer (NAoMe) ¹	Royal College of Surgeons of England (RCS)	✓
22	34		National Audit of Primary Breast Cancer (NAoPri) ¹		
23	35		National Bowel Cancer Audit (NBOCA) ¹		
24	36		National Kidney Cancer Audit (NKCA) ¹		
25	37		National Lung Cancer Audit (NLCA) ¹		
26	38		National Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma Audit (NNHLA) ¹		
27	39		National Oesophago-Gastric Cancer Audit (NOGCA) ¹		
28	40		National Ovarian Cancer Audit (NOCA) ¹		
29	41		National Pancreatic Cancer Audit (NPaCA) ¹		
30	42		National Prostate Cancer Audit (NPCA) ¹		
31	43	National Cardiac Arrest Audit (NCAA)		Intensive Care National Audit & Research Centre (ICNARC)	✗
32	44	National Cardiac Audit Programme (NCAP):	a) National Adult Cardiac Surgery Audit (NACSA)	National Institute for Cardiovascular Outcomes Research (NICOR)	✗
	45		b) National Congenital Heart Disease Audit (NCHDA)		
	46		c) National Heart Failure Audit (NHFA)		
	47		d) National Audit of Cardiac Rhythm Management (NACRM)		
	48		e) Myocardial Ischaemia National Audit Project (MINAP)		
	49		f) National Audit of Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (NAPCI)		

	50		g) UK Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI) Registry			
	51		h) Left Atrial Appendage Occlusion (LAAO) Registry			
	52		i) Patent Foramen Ovale Closure (PFOC) Registry			
	53		j) Transcatheter Mitral and Tricuspid Valve (TMTV) Registry			
33	54	National Child Mortality Database (NCMD) ¹		University of Bristol	✓	
34	55	National Clinical Audit of Psychosis (NCAP) ¹		Royal College of Psychiatrists	✓	
35	56	National Comparative Audit of Blood Transfusion:	2025 Major Haemorrhage Audit	NHS Blood and Transplant	✗	
36	57	National Early Inflammatory Arthritis Audit (NEIAA) ¹		British Society for Rheumatology	✓	
37	58	National Emergency Laparotomy Audit (NELA) ¹	Laparotomy	Royal College of Anaesthetists	✓	
	59		No Laparotomy			
38	60	National Joint Registry		Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP)	✗	
39	61	National Major Trauma Registry		NHS England	✗	
40	62	National Maternity and Perinatal Audit (NMPA) ¹		Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists	✓	
41	63	National Neonatal Audit Programme (NNAP) ¹		Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health	✓	
42	64	National Obesity Audit (NOA) ¹		NHS England (formerly NHS Digital)	✓	
43	65	National Ophthalmology Database (NOD):	a) Age-related Macular Degeneration Audit	The Royal College of Ophthalmologists (RCOphth)	✗	
	66		b) Cataract Audit			
44	67	National Paediatric Diabetes Audit (NPDA) ¹		Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health	✓	
45	68	National Perinatal Mortality Review Tool (PMRT)		University of Oxford / MBRRACE-UK collaborative	✗	
46	69	National Pulmonary Hypertension Audit		NHS England	✗	
47	70	National Respiratory Audit Programme (NRAP) ¹ :	a) COPD Secondary Care	Royal College of Physicians	✓	
	71		b) Pulmonary Rehabilitation			
	72		c) Adult Asthma Secondary Care			
	73		d) Children and Young People’s Asthma Secondary Care			

48	74	National Vascular Registry (NVR) ¹		Royal College of Surgeons of England (RCS)	✓
49	75	Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest Outcomes (OHCAO)		University of Warwick	✗
50	76	Paediatric Intensive Care Audit Network (PICANet) ¹		University of Leeds / University of Leicester	✓
51	77	Perioperative Quality Improvement Programme (PQIP)		Royal College of Anaesthetists	✗
52	78	Prescribing Observatory for Mental Health (POMH):	a) Improving the quality of valproate prescribing in adult mental health services	Royal College of Psychiatrists	✗
	79		b) Use of clozapine		
	80		c) Use of medicines with anticholinergic (antimuscarinic) properties in older people's mental health services		
53	81	Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme (SSNAP) ¹		King's College London	✓
54	82	Serious Hazards of Transfusion (SHOT): UK National Haemovigilance Scheme		Serious Hazards of Transfusion (SHOT)	✗
55	83	UK Cystic Fibrosis Registry	a) Cystic Fibrosis - Adults	Cystic Fibrosis Trust	✗
	84		b) Cystic Fibrosis - Children		
56	85	UK Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD) Registry		British Thoracic Society	✗
57	86	UK Parkinson's Audit		Parkinson's UK	✗
58	87	UK Renal Registry Chronic Kidney Disease Audit		UK Kidney Association	✗
59	88	UK Renal Registry National Acute Kidney Injury Audit		UK Kidney Association	✗

Footnotes:

¹ National Clinical Audit and Patient Outcomes Programme (NCAPOP) N=32.

² Additional column 'Included in NCAPOP' added May 2025.

³ Updated link to NHS Standard Contract for 2025-26 added May 2025.

⁴ Updates made to reflect that National Adult Diabetes Audit (NDA) no longer forms part of the National Clinical Audit and Patient Outcomes Programme (NCAPOP), August 2025.

Programmes with workstreams in addition to those included on this Quality Accounts List are shown in HQIP's [The Directory](#).

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