



## THE RAP PROJECT

Referrals, Assessments and Packages of Care  
In Adult Personal Social Services

### December 2007 Newsletter

#### 1. RAP National Summary

The RAP National Summary with provisional information for the return period 2006/07 will be published on 19<sup>th</sup> of December 2007. Documentation can be found at <http://www.ic.nhs.uk/statistics-and-data-collections/social-care/adult-social-care-information>.

The final data for the 2006/07 and council level data are due to be published by the end of February 2008.

The Information Centre would like to thank those of you that have contributed and compiled the information for this return.

#### 2. Change to RAP for 2008/09: Timeliness of Care Packages – RAP Proforma A8

This relates to the new National Indicator 133: Timeliness of Care Packages following assessment (for adults aged 65 and over). (OHOCOS<sup>1</sup> Outcome: Increased Choice and control). This has been discussed and agreed by ARG<sup>2</sup>.

This proposal which was subsequently ratified at the SIGASC<sup>3</sup> meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> December is to widen the data collection which covers time between completed assessment and receipt of all services for older people (AO/D56) to cover all adults, by extending RAP A8 to include all ages.

This will mean adding a new table to RAP proforma A8 page 1 and a new table to RAP proforma A8 page 2 to capture the waiting times for those aged 18 to 64 (please see appendix A).

Although a majority of councils will be able capture mental health, some concerns have been raised about the completeness of the category on mental health, so a suggestion has been put forward to exclude people with mental health needs aged 18 to 64 from the proposed PI, but not from the RAP table.

Due to the requirement to give councils 6 months notice of changes to returns this will be introduced on a voluntary basis in 2008/09 and on a mandatory basis in 2009/10.

<sup>1</sup> 'Our Health Our Care Our Say'

<sup>2</sup> Adult Review Group

<sup>3</sup> Strategic Information Group on Adult Social Care

### 3. Revised RAP documents

The RAP proformas, RAP guidance for 2007/08 and supplementary documentation has been revised and updated. It is available at <http://www.ic.nhs.uk/our-services/improving-social-care-information/social-care-collections/collections-2008>.

This web page will be updated again in January 2008.

### 4. Cut-off dates for RAP return 2007/08

As an early reminder, the cut-off date for authorising your CASSRs RAP return is **31<sup>st</sup> May 2008**.

### 5. IDC for 2007/08

The Social Care Team is looking for volunteers to test the new IDC for the RAP returns for 2007/08. If you are interested in helping with this please contact the RAP e-mail: [RAP@ic.nhs.uk](mailto:RAP@ic.nhs.uk)

### 6. National Indicator Set 198

What is at present frequently developing information regarding the changes to the RAP returns in 2008/09 and beyond, as a result of the introduction of the NIS198, and useful additional information can be found on the IC web site at the following web addresses.

#### 6.1 SIGASC papers

<http://www.ic.nhs.uk/our-services/improving-social-care-information/review-approval-and-development/sigasc>

#### 6.2 ARG papers

<http://www.ic.nhs.uk/our-services/improving-social-care-information/review-approval-and-development/adult-review-group>

We will also inform you of any changes to the RAP returns via the RAP newsletters as they are agreed, allowing adequate time (6 months) for CSSRs to implement these changes.

### 7. UK Flooding 2007

It has been drawn to our attention that the flooding to certain parts of the UK in 2007 may potentially affect or have affected CSSRs data across a number of the returns collected by the IC, which may impact on some of the PAF PIs for the reporting period 2007/08.

After speaking with CSCI we have been informed that this will be covered within CSCI's Self Assessment Survey. The returns collected by the IC are to be completed as usual and recording will not change because of natural disasters. However within the SAS CSSRs will be asked for information about the effect, in this case, of the flooding (or any other natural disasters outside of their control) that they feel has impacted on their PAF PIs. This will be relayed to the CSSRs Business Relations Manager and used as contextual information when determining the overall CSSR bandings/star ratings.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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Wishing you and your colleagues a merry Christmas and a very happy New Year

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**December 2007**

## Appendix A

<p><i>Return Ref: A8</i> <b>Page 1 – Time band</b></p> <p><b>Period</b> 01/04/08 to 31/03/09</p>	<p><b>Return Title:</b></p> <p><b>Length of time from completed assessment to receipt of all services for new clients for whom all services were put in place during the period in time bands by primary client type.</b></p>
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<p><i>Time bands</i></p>	<p><b>All new clients 18 to 64</b></p>
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<p><b>More than 2 weeks and less than or equal to 4 weeks</b></p>	
<p><b>More than 4 weeks and less than or equal to 6 weeks</b></p>	
<p><b>More than 6 weeks</b></p>	
<p><b>Mandatory table</b> Time from completion of assessment to receipt of all services. Enter the number for new clients aged 65 and over in each box:</p>	
<p><i>Time bands</i></p>	<p><b>All new clients 65 and over</b></p>
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<p><i>Return Ref: A8</i>  <b>Page 2 – Time band by primary client type</b></p> <p><b>Period</b>  <b>01/04/08 to 31/03/09</b></p>	<p><b>Return Title:</b></p> <p><b>Length of time from completed assessment to receipt of all services for new clients for whom all services were put in place during the period in time bands by primary client type.</b></p>
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**Voluntary table for 2008/09**  
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*Primary client type*

<i>Time bands</i>	Physical disability, frailty and sensory impairment	Learning disability	Mental health	Substance misuse	Vulnerable people
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