

Changes to comparators for March 2017

The following table lists those comparators that have changed or had data refreshed since the November 2016 published version of the Medicines Optimisation dashboard.

Comparator Name: CCG	Comments
Antibacterial items per STAR PU	Yearly data now available for October 2015 – September 2016 and January 2016 – December 2016
Co-amoxiclav, Cephalosporins and Quinolones % items	Yearly data now available for October 2015 – September 2016 and January 2016 – December 2016
% EPS items	Quarterly data now available up to December 2016
% of Practices enabled for EPS	Data now available as at end of September 2016 and December 2016
% of Practices submitting EPS	Quarterly data now available up to December 2016
% of Repeat Dispensing	Yearly data now available for October 2015 – September 2016 and January 2016 – December 2016
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% of Pharmacies conducting MUR	Yearly data now available for October 2015 – September 2016 and January 2016 – December 2016
Number of MUR per 1,000 dispensed items	Yearly data now available for October 2015 – September 2016 and January 2016 – December 2016
% of Pharmacies conducting NMS	Yearly data now available for October 2015 – September 2016 and January 2016 – December 2016
Number of NMS per 1,000 dispensed items	Yearly data now available for October 2015 – September 2016 and January 2016 – December 2016
NSAIDs: Ibuprofen & Naproxen % items	Quarterly data now available up to December 2016
Oral Anticoagulants % items	Quarterly data now available up to December 2016
Emergency Diabetes Admissions	Yearly data now available for July 2015 – June 2016
Antidepressants (selected): ADQ/STAR PU (ADQ based)	Quarterly data now available up to December 2016
Antidepressants: First choice % items (2015)	Quarterly data now available up to December 2016
Hypnotics: ADQ/STAR PU (ADQ based)	Quarterly data now available up to December 2016
Summary Care Records Availability	Data now available as of 10 February 2017
Emergency Asthma Admissions	Yearly data now available for July 2015 – June 2016
Emergency COPD Admissions	Yearly data now available for July 2015 – June 2016
Comparator Name: Hospital Trust	Comments
Biosimilar: % of Infliximab biosimilars uptake	The data included in the dashboard is now represented as 'The percentage of defined daily doses for the biosimilar versions of infliximab' and is extracted from the NHS Improvement Model Hospital Dashboard – Pharmacy and Medicines compartment. The data is sourced from the Rx-info Define system which is used by acute trusts. Data available is on a 13 month rolling basis.
NRLS % of harmful incidents	Formerly NRLS % of harmful events
NRLS reported medication incidents	Formerly NRLS reporting rate
Summary Care Records Utilisation	Data now available as at December 2016

Data has not been refreshed for the other remaining comparators.

Please note that the data for Medicines Reconciliation has not been refreshed on this occasion. The Safety Thermometer tool is now the responsibility of Salford NHS Foundation Trust; the NHSBSA are actively liaising with the Trust to facilitate data refreshes with the aim of including refreshed data in the next Medicines Optimisation dashboard planned for June 2017.