

APPENDIX 1: NATIONAL AUDIT DATASET

A1.1 Common national database

The use of a common national database will facilitate the pooling of data from screening programmes across the country to allow epidemiological analysis. This is not a minimum national dataset (ie not all fields are essential); please refer to the coding guide for a list of essential fields.

A1.2 Access database

An electronic (Access) database is available on request and is provided with an explanatory manual. Please email nhscsp.audit@cancer.org.uk for a copy or for further details. The intention is that the electronic database will initially be used by QARCs to input the data collected by HBPCs.

A1.3 Data collection forms

HBPCs are expected to use the forms in this Appendix for data collection. Different forms are to be completed by different laboratories or clinics either by a specialist from the relevant area or by the person responsible for the collection of audit data. It is not necessary to complete all sections in the audit in order to submit data; however, sections A and B are essential.

A1.4 Coding guide

The coding guide for the national dataset provides an overview and explanation of the sections and fields that the audit aims to record. The last section lists the fields that are essential for audit purposes. The fields that are not mentioned are desirable, ie an effort should be made to collect the data but forms should be submitted even if there are some fields missing.

A1.5 Printable forms and coding guide

The data collection forms and coding guide listed below are included on the following pages. Printable copies of the forms as separate PDFs can be downloaded from the NHS Cancer Screening Programmes website (www.cancerscreening.nhs.uk). A copy of the coding guide can also be downloaded.

Data collection forms

Section A	Personal and cancer details
Section B	Cytology history
Section C	Colposcopy history
Section D	Histology history
Section E	Cytology review
Section F	Histology review
Section G	GP notes
Section H	HPV DNA testing

Coding guide

- Personal and cancer details
- Cytology history
- Colposcopy history
- Histology history and review
- Cytology review
- GP notes
- HPV DNA
- Essential fields