

Versioning of the NordDRG Definition Tables

Main principles

Timetable

Suggested deadlines in 2027 (week)	Notes	Activities	Responsibility
4	End of January	Delivery of major update proposals, including technical changes	National organisations NCC
8	End of February	Delivery of minor update proposal, including technical changes	National organisations NCC
10	2nd week of March	Expert Group meeting	National organisations NCC
11	One week after EG meeting	Delivery of missing or updated technical changes	National organisations NCC
12	Two weeks after EG meeting	Report of EG meeting results to Board and Expert Group: accepted, rejected and postponed proposal	NCC
13	Last week of March	Board meeting	Board
18	Five weeks after Board meeting	Delivery of PL0 national version definition tables to national organisations (json, csv, xlsx)	NCC
20	Two weeks after delivery of PL0 version def.tables	Comments and corrections to national version definition tables (PL0)*	National organisations
22	Two weeks after receiving the comments and corrections from national organisations	Delivery of PL1 versions definition tables: Combined (xlsx) and national definition tables (json, csv, xlsx), as well as ICD10+ and NCSP+ (xlsx)	NCC
31	2nd week of August	Delivery of national primary classifications' updates to NCC	National organisations
34	Three weeks after delivery of national primary classification updates	Update of national primary classifications as well as NCSP+ and ICD10+	NCC
36	2nd week of September	Expert Group meeting	National organisations NCC
39	Three weeks after EG meeting	Delivery of PR0 national version definition tables to national organisations (json, csv, xlsx)	NCC
41	Two weeks after delivery of PR0 version def.tables	Comments and corrections to national version definition tables (PR0)*	National organisations
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*Updated definition tables will be redelivered if needed. The deadline of the delivery in this case may deviate from the initial deadline.			

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- The definition tables for national versions are published in NordDRG forum <https://nordcaseforum.easyredmine.com/> according to the annual timetable.
- The changes for the next year's version of each country are agreed upon in the Expert Group Spring meeting, held in March.
- After the meeting Nordic Casemix Centre (NCC) publishes a version for testing, which is named **PL0** (PL = planning).
 - e.g. NordDRG FIN2027PL0
- The countries test the implemented changes and provide feedback to NCC via NordDRG forum, no later than two weeks after the publication of the respective table.

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- If the testing results are not satisfactory, and further changes and further testing to the version are required, the subsequent versions are named **PL0a**, **PL0b**, **PL0c**, etc.
- Once the changes are found to be satisfactory, version **PL1** of the definition tables is published.
 - PL1 version can then be delivered to system providers for testing.
- NCC also publishes PL1 version of the Combined version.
- If changes to a national version are still required after the publication of PL1, the new versions are named **PL1a**, **PL1b**, **PL1c**, etc.

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- Changes to primary classifications (ICD-xx, NCSP, and ATC) are submitted to NCC during August.
- These changes are discussed upon in the Expert Group Autumn meeting, held in September.
- Once the changes to the primary classifications have been implemented, version **PRO** (PR = production) of the definition tables is published.
 - e.g. NordDRG FIN2027PRO
- The countries test the implemented changes and provide feedback to NCC via NordDRG forum no later than two weeks after the publication of the respective table.

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