



# DxF Bi-Weekly Update

*This bi-weekly communication provides important updates and information on the Data Exchange Framework (DxF).*

## Highlights In This Update

- *Final Reminder: Switch to the New DxF Website*
  - *Materials Available for Public Comment*
  - *New Tools in the Community Sandbox*
  - *TAC Recommendation Memos Published*
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## DxF Updates

- Please note that the old CDII DxF webpage will not be updated after December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. For now, it will remain live with archived information.
  - Refer to the new DxF website (<https://dxf.chhs.ca.gov/>) for upcoming meetings, DxF updates, current materials, and more.
- Please also note that Senate Bill 660 (SB 660) was signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom in October 2025. The DxF Program is currently working to update the FAQs with new information, and we anticipate publishing in early 2026.

## COMMUNITY SANDBOX:

- Reminder that [Connecting for Better Health's Community Sandbox](#) now has a new set of tools available for public use in simplifying and accelerating data exchange across California.
  - The Sandbox now includes self-serve testing tools built around Event Notification Best Practices. The Community Sandbox can assess how your systems send and/or receive admit and discharge notifications in alignment with proposed updates to the DxF technical requirements and additional best practices to ignite high-quality, actionable workflows and alerts.
  - The Community Sandbox is free and available to all. [Log in and check out the new tools today!](#)

## DSA SIGNATORY GRANTS:

- The DSA Signatory Grants Program will end on **March 31, 2026**. All Progress Reports indicating achievement of a Milestone must be submitted by **March 31, 2026**. Grantees or their selected QHIO who do not submit a Milestone Progress Report by this date will no longer be eligible to receive any undisbursed grant funds.
- Grantees and their selected QHIO have two remaining quarterly Progress Report opportunities to indicate a Milestone achievement and to receive payment.
  - The 2025 Quarter 4 Progress Report is due by **December 31, 2025**. If a Milestone is approved, payment will be disbursed by January 31, 2026; and
  - The 2026 Quarter 1 Progress Report is due by **March 31, 2026**. If a Milestone is approved, payment will be disbursed by April 30, 2026. This will be the last opportunity for all Grantees or their selected QHIO to submit a Milestone Progress Report to receive funding.

## TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC):

- HCAI has concluded the 2025 TAC meeting series, including the final series on Identity Management. Materials from all TAC meetings are available on [the DxF website](#):
- A summary of the TAC recommendations on identity management will be posted to the DxF website soon
  - See the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Members and Meetings for meeting materials, including meeting recordings and transcripts

## STANDARDS ADVANCEMENT:

- As a reminder, the [Data Elements to Be Exchanged P&P v1.2](#) has been amended to update USCDI requirements to version 3 effective January 1, 2026, as [recommended by the 2024 Standards Committee](#) and to align with federal health IT certification requirements.

## DSA AND PARTICIPANT DIRECTORY PORTAL & PUBLISHED REPORTS UPDATES:

- [SB 660](#) established in section (f) new organization types that are required to sign the DxF Data Sharing Agreement and provided additional information to more clearly define some of the organizations already required to sign the Data Sharing Agreement in [Health and Safety Code § 130290](#). In response to these changes, HCAI is updating the [DxF DSA Signing and Participant Directory Portal](#), effective January 1, 2026, to include organization types and subtypes to describe these organizations in alignment with SB 660. New signatories after January 1, 2026 will see those new options for organization types and subtypes. Existing signatories can revise their organization's types and subtypes in the Portal if more a more appropriate option is made available.
- [SB 660](#) established in Health and Safety Code sections (b)(1) and (b)(3) new deadlines for some organizations to begin to provide access to or exchange of health and social services information via the DxF. In response to those additions, HCAI is updating the [DxF DSA Signing and Participant Directory Portal](#) effective January 1, 2026, to include the ability for those organizations to elect to exercise the option to delay exchange until January 31, 2026, July 1, 2026, or January 31, 2029, as appropriate to the organization and allowed by SB 660 and the [Requirement to Exchange Health and Social Services Information P&P](#). Please see the instructions in the Portal when determining whether your organization may consider those options.
- The [DSA Signatory List](#) or the [Participant Directory Listing](#) will begin to include the new organization types and subtypes and dates for delaying exchange described above in January 2026. Updates will be made to the [Data Sharing Agreement Signatory List Format Guide](#) and the [Participant Directory Flat-File Listing Format](#) for more information on how these listings changed and adjustments you may need to make when ingesting these files.

## • PARTICIPANTS DELAYING EXCHANGE TO 2026:

- If your organization selected to Delay Exchange to 2026 in the Participant Directory, **begin preparations for exchange starting January 31, 2026.**
  - DxF resources are available on the DxF website to help implement technologies to support exchange.
    - [DxF Implementation Toolkit](#)
    - [DxF QHIOS-At-A-Glance](#)
    - [DxF Participant Directory User Guide](#)

- Once your organization has onboarded and implemented technology to support exchange, update your Participant Directory choices in the [DSA Signing Portal](#) and select the appropriate technology or Intermediary in the dropdown(s).
  - [DxF Participant Directory How To Guide](#)
- If you have questions or need support, email [DxF@hcai.ca.gov](mailto:DxF@hcai.ca.gov)

## Upcoming Meetings

There are no upcoming events for at least the next 2 weeks.

## Recent Meetings & Webinars

### IAC MEETINGS

- [Past IAC meetings](#)

### POLICY, OPERATIONS, PRIVACY, AND SECURITY COMMITTEE (POPS) (formerly DSA P&P SUBCOMMITTEE) MEETINGS

- [Past POPS meetings](#)

### TAC MEETINGS

- [Past TAC meetings](#)

### STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- [Past Standards Committee meetings](#)

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