

July 2024 Updates

Dear HDPBC Desktop User,

We are pleased to share the **latest updates to the HDPBC platform**, now available for request and use.

Health Data Platform BC is being consistently upgraded to improve its performance and functionality. Recent updates to the platform include the addition of new data holdings, existing data holding refreshes, upcoming data, and other upgrades completed to this day. The goal of HDPBC is to ensure that you have the best possible experience while using the data platform.

Upcoming Data

HDPBC is actively bringing valuable data to the platform. The data sets listed below are currently under development and will be progressively integrated into HDPBC in the coming months.

Data refreshes for: Medical Service Plan (MSP), Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI), Chronic Disease Registry (CDR), Surgical Wait Times (SWT), Vital Events (VE), Healthideas Common and Reference Dimensions (HI), COVID-10 Lab Test Data (PLIS_COVID), National Ambulatory Care Reporting System (NACRS), PharmaNet (PNET), and Chronic Disease Registry (CDR).

Other HDPBC Updates

- IDIR onboarded for HDPBC credential use as of July 8th: New HDPBC users that are BC government employees will no longer require to get new set of credentials and instead be able to use their IDIR ids to access HDPBC if approved for access. This change will have NO impact on any existing users. All existing users with access to HDPBC will continue to access the platform without any change
- **Probabilistic data linkage:** HDPBC has introduced a new service that enables data integration through probabilistic data linkage. This feature intelligently connects records across diverse datasets, improving accuracy and enabling more insightful data analysis.
- **HDPBC News now available on the website:** Recent enhancement to the website have resulted in a separate page dedicated to platform news and updates. To stay up-to-date and access the past enhancements, navigate to News.

We believe these updates will significantly enhance your workflow and productivity. If you have any questions or feedback about these changes, please reach out to us at MoHAnalytics@gov.bc.ca.