



DxF Bi-Weekly Update

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

Highlights In This Update

- *Community Sandbox Update*
- *Final DSA Signatory Grants Office Hour*
- *Stakeholder Advisory Committee Announced*

DxF Updates

COMMUNITY SANDBOX:

- Reminder: [Connecting for Better Health's Community Sandbox](#) is ready to support signatories as they prepare to meet the new Event Notifications requirements per the amended [DxF Technical Requirements for Exchange P&P](#).
 - The Community Sandbox includes self-serve testing tools built around DxF minimum requirements for Event Notifications. These tools can assess how your systems send and/or receive admit and discharge notifications in alignment with DxF requirements and additional best practices to ignite high-quality, actionable workflows and alerts.
 - The Community Sandbox is free and available to all. [Check out the 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.
- **The Final DSA Signatory Grants Office Hour will take place THIS WEEK on March 5, 2026, from 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM PT.**
 - Please note that advanced [registration](#) is required.
- The [DSA Grants Guidance Document](#) has been updated and is available on the DxF website.
 - This update to the DSA Grants Guidance Document includes changes to the final progress report submission deadlines and changes to the rule for grantees to switch QHIOs.
- HCAI and PCG will reach out to Grantees if additional information is needed. Grant questions may be directed to the following contacts:
 - HCAI Grant Support: DxFGrants@hcai.ca.gov
 - PCG Grant Support: dsagrants@pcgus.com or call [\(866\) 698-6525](tel:(866)698-6525)

STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

- HCAI has selected members of the Data Exchange Framework (DxF) Stakeholder Advisory Committee, established pursuant to Senate Bill 660 to advise the department on health and social services information technology issues and to support updates to the DxF data sharing agreement and related policies and procedures. [Read the SB 660 implementation fact sheet](#).
- The Advisory Committee will initially serve as a forum for stakeholder and public engagement to inform recommendations to HCAI and support preparation of a report to the Legislature on the continued implementation of the DxF. The Advisory Committee will continue to meet ongoing to advise on the administration of the DxF program.
- Advisory Committee members represent a broad cross-section of California's health and social services ecosystem, including health plans, hospitals, physicians, clinics, community-based organizations, health IT, privacy and security professionals, consumer advocates, organized labor, and county social services.

- The Advisory Committee will develop recommendations by January 1, 2027, including proposed statutory changes, training and technical assistance needs, and best practices to support collection of individual-level demographic and health-related social needs data. The Advisory Committee will also collaborate with HCAI on a report to the Legislature due July 1, 2027, addressing DxF participation, compliance pathways, governance considerations, technical assistance needs, enforcement frameworks, and consumer experiences with data exchange.
- The Advisory Committee will begin meeting in April 2026, with meetings open to the public.
 - View the committee roster and meeting schedule here: <https://dxf.chhs.ca.gov/sac-members-meetings/>

Upcoming Meetings

Final DSA Signatory Grants Office Hour

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Recent Meetings & Webinars

IAC MEETINGS

- [Past IAC meetings](#)

TAC MEETINGS

- [Past TAC meetings](#)

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Please direct DxF questions to dxf@hcai.ca.gov