

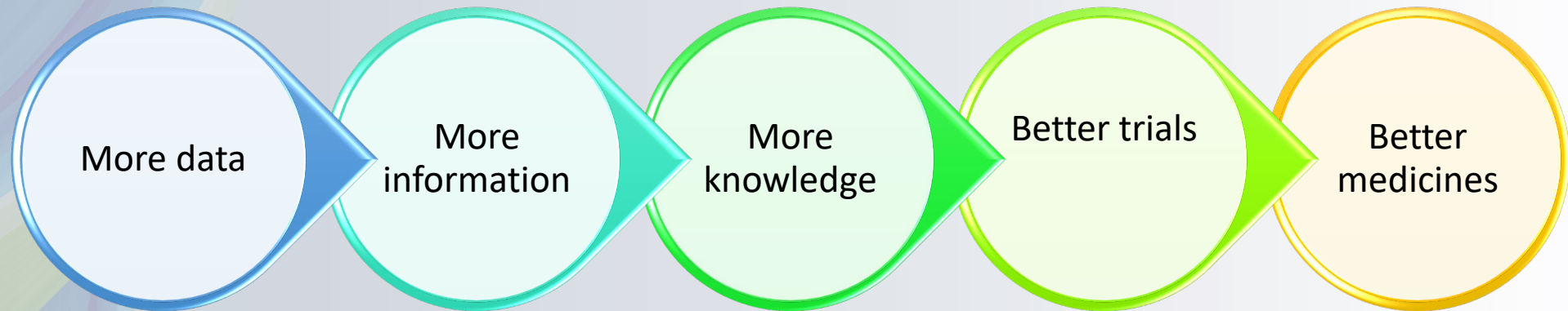
# The c4c Paediatric Data Harmonisation Journey

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# Problem: Paediatric data is scarce and siloed

- Despite scientific advances, safety and efficacy data on the use of medicines in children is scarce.



- There is increasing awareness about the importance of data sharing, particularly in publicly funded research.

# Solution?

- Create tools and resources to support data reuse sharing
- Encourage data standardisation and harmonisation
- Collaborate
- Dream of culture change!
- FAIR principles are central to success





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Several regulators, research bodies, learned societies and EFPIA have published on the importance, principles and challenges of data sharing and data reuse.

## American Medical Association Journal of Ethics

December 2015, Volume 17, Number 12: 1152-1159

### POLICY FORUM

US Federal Government Efforts to Improve Clinical Trial Transparency with Expanded Trial Registries and Open Data Sharing

Daniel L. Shaw and Joseph S. Ross, MD, MHS

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# Why reuse data? – Scientific



- Independent verification of published results – resulting in increase of data validity



- Evaluation of new hypothesis



- Not sharing is wasteful and could result in missed opportunities to advance knowledge



- Data from multiple studies can be aggregated for meta analysis – even more important for rare diseases

- Covid showed us the potential power of data sharing and reuse



innovative  
medicines  
initiative



WHO Global Clinical Platform  
for COVID-19

*Data for public health response*

**CALL TO ACTION**

# Why reuse data? - Ethical



- Respect for trial participants



- Patients are gifting their bodies and their data to research



- Re-using this commitment from patients will increase the utility of the data

- Deterring inaccurate reporting of trial results

- Most patients want it!

Less than 8% of respondents felt that the potential negative consequences of data sharing outweighed the benefits (Mello et al 2018)



## SHARE AND PROTECT OUR HEALTH DATA!

Rare disease patients' preferences on data sharing and protection

January 2020

To foster research on their disease...

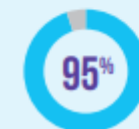
97% would be ready to share their data to better understand the mechanisms and causes of their disease

97% to develop new treatments for their disease

97% to improve diagnosis of their disease

or to improve their healthcare

95% to receive additional specialist advice on their care



are also willing to share their data to improve research on diseases other than theirs.

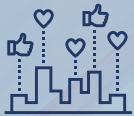
# Why reuse data? -Economic



- Data can be seen as a new form of capital for research and knowledge based communities.



- If data is reused it maximises the value of the original research investment



- Promotes a thriving 'health data economy' which can drive innovation



- Facilitates data 'entrepreneurship'



- Better designed trials, informed by existing data will reduce the number of trials failing (or prevent unfeasible trials ever starting)

In the beginning....

Which standard to recommend?

How to make the biggest impact?

How to engage academics?



# Why use data standards?

- Data standards provide structure and meaning to data
- Allows for easier data-reuse
- Interoperability and data sharing
- Adherence to FAIR data principles

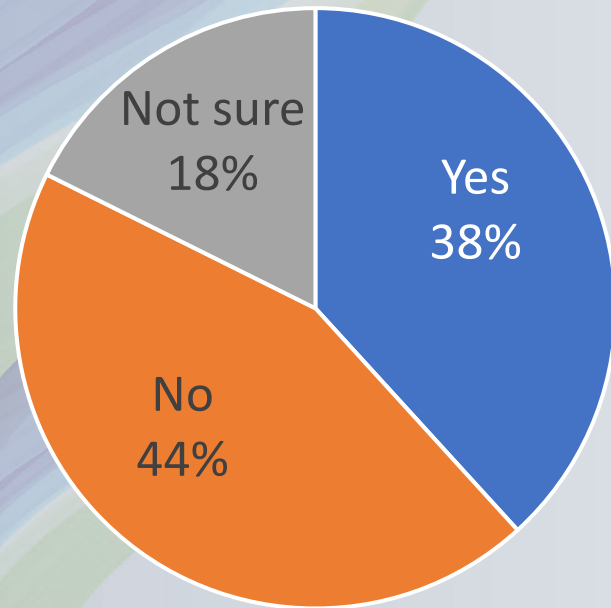
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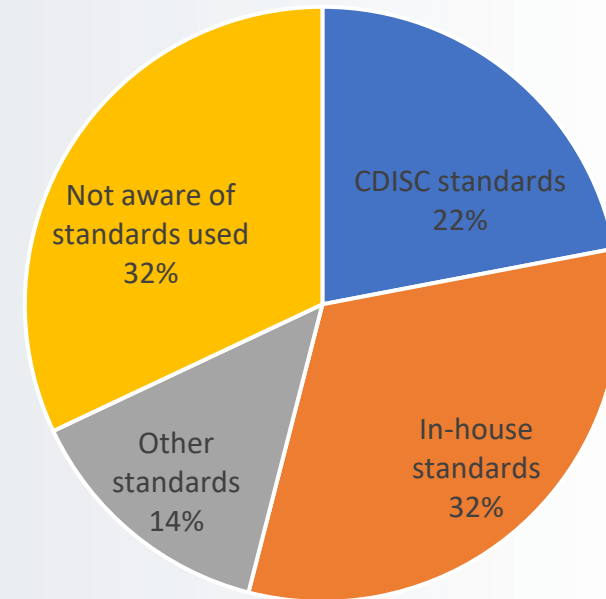
# Awareness of data Standards in c4c

Very low awareness of data standards and CDISC among academia.

Are you aware of any formal standards, such as CDISC, being used when constructing CRFs for your trial?



Are you aware of what type of standards have been used in clinical trials you have participated in?



# c4c Cross-Cutting Paediatric Data Dictionary

CDISC mapped Item	recommended units (for)	CDISC units (CDISC Codelist) C-CODE value in brackets	value range C-CODE value in brackets	CDISC Evaluation	CDISC SDTM Domain	CDISC Qualifier Variables	Guidance	Source of information CDASH = Data Collection SDTM = Data Tabulation
Height	cm, metres, inches, feet	cm (C49668) m (C41139) in (C48500) ft (C71253)	not needed	Vital signs test exists in CDISC CT (HEIGHT (C25347)) CDISC Definition " <i>The vertical measurement or distance from the base to the top of an object; the vertical dimension of extension. (NCI)</i> "	Vital Signs (VS)	unit, standardised unit	Specify standardised unit	CDASHIG v2.0 - <a href="https://www.cdisc.org/standards/foundational/cdash/cdash-20#Bookmark256">https://www.cdisc.org/standards/foundational/cdash/cdash-20#Bookmark256</a> SDTMIG v3.3 - <a href="https://www.cdisc.org/standards/foundational/sdtmig/sdtmig-v3-3#Vital+Signs">https://www.cdisc.org/standards/foundational/sdtmig/sdtmig-v3-3#Vital+Signs</a>
Total body Length	cm, inches, feet	cm (C49668) in (C48500) ft (C71253)	not needed	Vital signs test exists in CDISC CT (BODLNTH (C81298)) CHANGE DEFINITION: CDISC Definition " <i>The linear extent in space from one end of the body to the other end, or the extent of the body from beginning to end.</i> " Consider (NCI C81298) " <i>The total linear extent of the body measured from the crown of the head to the heel in the recumbent position</i> "	Vital Signs (VS)	Vital Signs Position of Subject (VSPOS)? - not needed if new definition accepted as it states "recumbent"	Specify standardised unit	CDASHIG v2.0 - <a href="https://www.cdisc.org/standards/foundational/cdash/cdash-20#Bookmark256">https://www.cdisc.org/standards/foundational/cdash/cdash-20#Bookmark256</a> SDTMIG v3.3 - <a href="https://www.cdisc.org/standards/foundational/sdtmig/sdtmig-v3-3#Vital+Signs">https://www.cdisc.org/standards/foundational/sdtmig/sdtmig-v3-3#Vital+Signs</a>

- NOT a mandatory set of items
- Includes demographic, vital signs, pubertal status
- Developed through consensus building approach
- Used by 3 PoV studies
- Mapped to CDISC standards (where they exist)

# CDISC Paediatric User Guide PUG

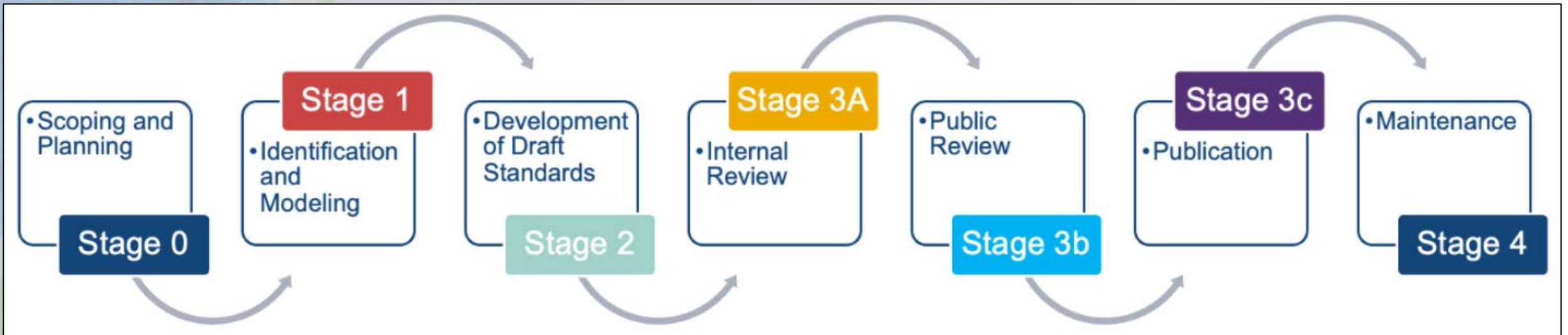


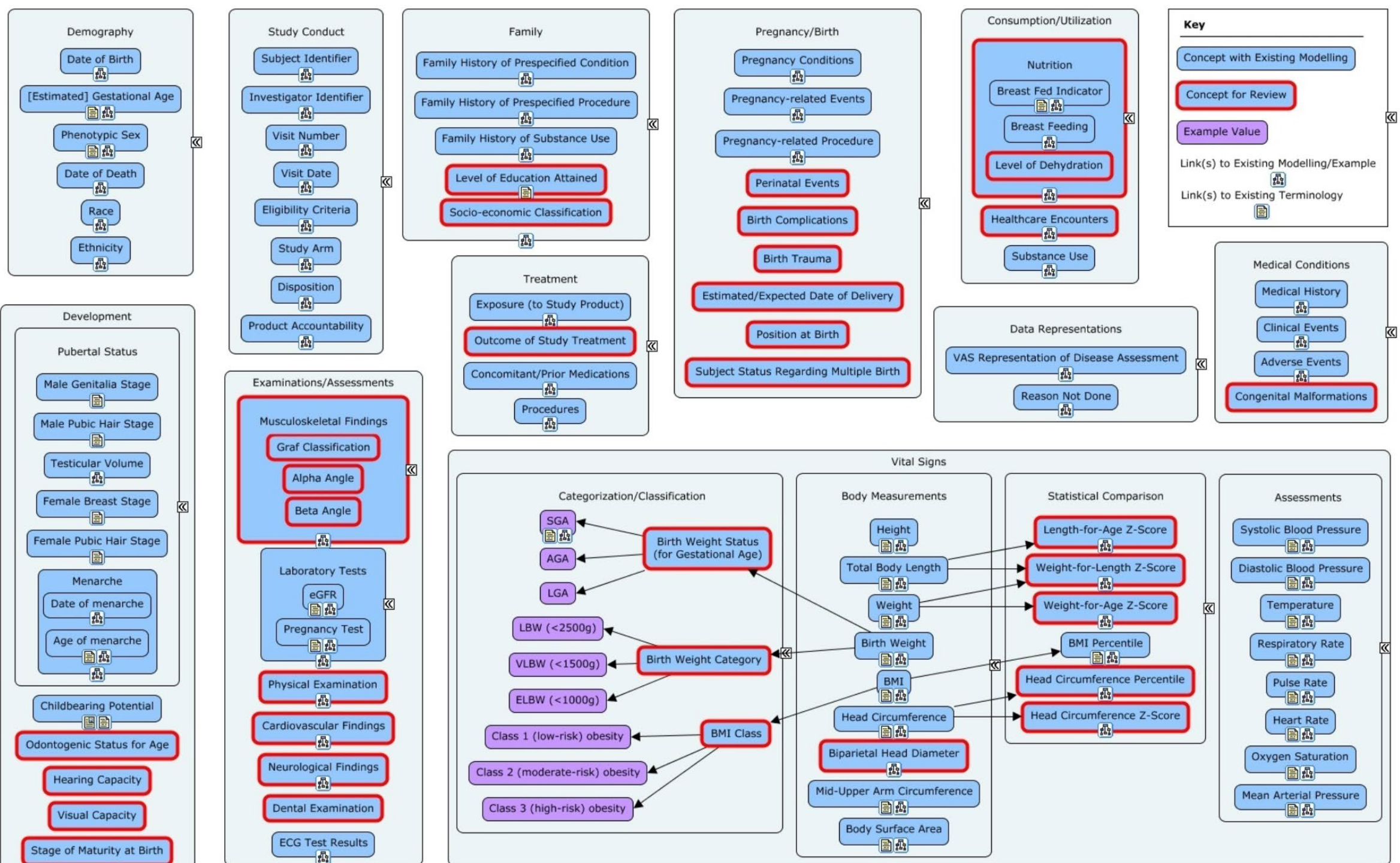
# Development of the Paediatric User Guide (PUG)

Data items had to be cross-cutting and frequently used in clinical trials

A group of expert volunteers from c4c and CDISC was established

Weekly calls were held for 26 Months!







# Data Standards User Guide for Pediatrics

## Version 1.0 (Final)

Prepared by the  
Pediatrics Standards Development Team

### Notes to Readers

- This is the final Version 1.0 of the Data Standards User Guide for Pediatrics.
- This document is based on CDASH Model v1.2, CDASHIG v2.2, SDTM v2.0, and the SDTM Implementation Guides (SDTMIG v3.4, SDTMIG-AP v1.0, SDTMIG-MD v1.1).

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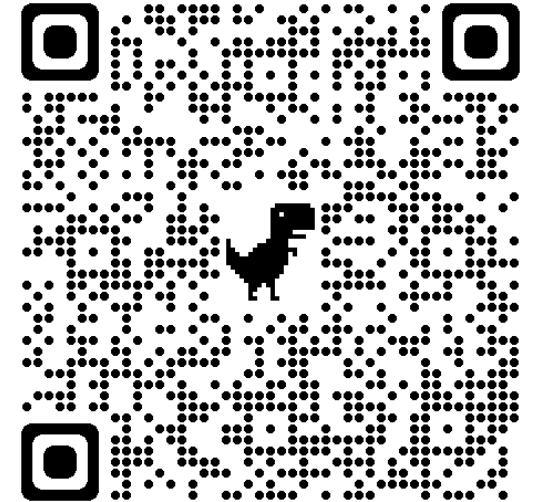
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# Ensuring Sustainability of the PUG? The CDISC User Network



- CDISC User Groups are free to set their own goals and agendas.
- The networks are comprised of CDISC users who provide mutual support to help users implement and utilize CDISC standards.
- Limited support from CDISC to recognized user networks to foster awareness and adaptation of CDISC standards.



# CDISC Pediatric User Network (CPUN)

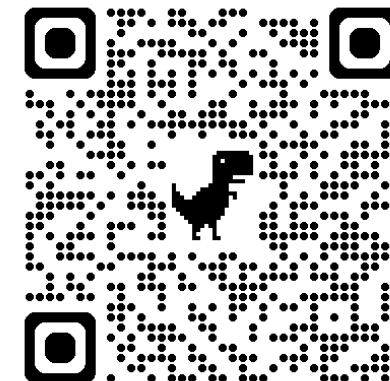
- Bring **global** data and clinical experts together to discuss implementation experiences and learning regarding **paediatric data**.
- Identify missing paediatric data items from the CDISC standards and channel these back into CDISC.
- Support the development of more TAUGs in paediatric disease areas- including funding brokerage.
- Manage c4c / c4c-s involvement in the **development of new standards**.



- Support development of a **training module** on the implementation of the Data Standards User Guide for Pediatrics.



# Join the CPUN



## Pediatric User Network

Created by Matthew Warren, last modified by John Owen on Sep 17, 2024

### Welcome!

Welcome to the CDISC Pediatric User Network (CPUN).

- The mission of the CPUN is to develop a global volunteer-led pediatric user network composed of stakeholders actively meeting to discuss CDISC Standards and foster awareness of CDISC standards in the pediatric community.
- The CPUN will share experiences of implementing CDISC standards and collaborate to identify missing paediatric data items from the CDISC standards and channel these back into CDISC.
- The CPUN will be a cross functional membership group, providing a broad representation of roles across the pediatric research community with an interest in clinical data standards.
- CPUN members are welcome from all areas of research e.g., academia & industry and a range of roles e.g., Clinicians & Pediatricians, Clinical Data Managers, Biostatisticians, Clinical Data Standards Experts, CDISC experts (CDASH, SDTM, ADaM) in order to support this community in the adoption and implementation of CDISC standards.

> [Pediatric User Network Charter](#)

> [Pediatric User Network Meetings](#)

> [Pediatric User Network Leadership Meetings](#)

To sign-up to the Network please submit your name and email below

Full Name:

Email:

- The network email is [pedun@lists.cdisc.org](mailto:pedun@lists.cdisc.org)
- **You must be a member of the list to send to it.**
- To unsubscribe, click the link in the footer of the email received from the list.



[click above for info](#)

**i** The next CPUN meeting will take place:

**Date:** Wednesday 18 Sep 2024

**Time:** 5:00-6:00 pm CET | 4:00-5:00 pm UK | 11:00am-12:00pm EDT

Use the sign-up box below to be added to the invite

### Calendar of CPUN events

Today < > September 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
26	27	28	29
2	3	4	5

<https://wiki.cdisc.org/display/PEDUN>



# Disease Specific Data

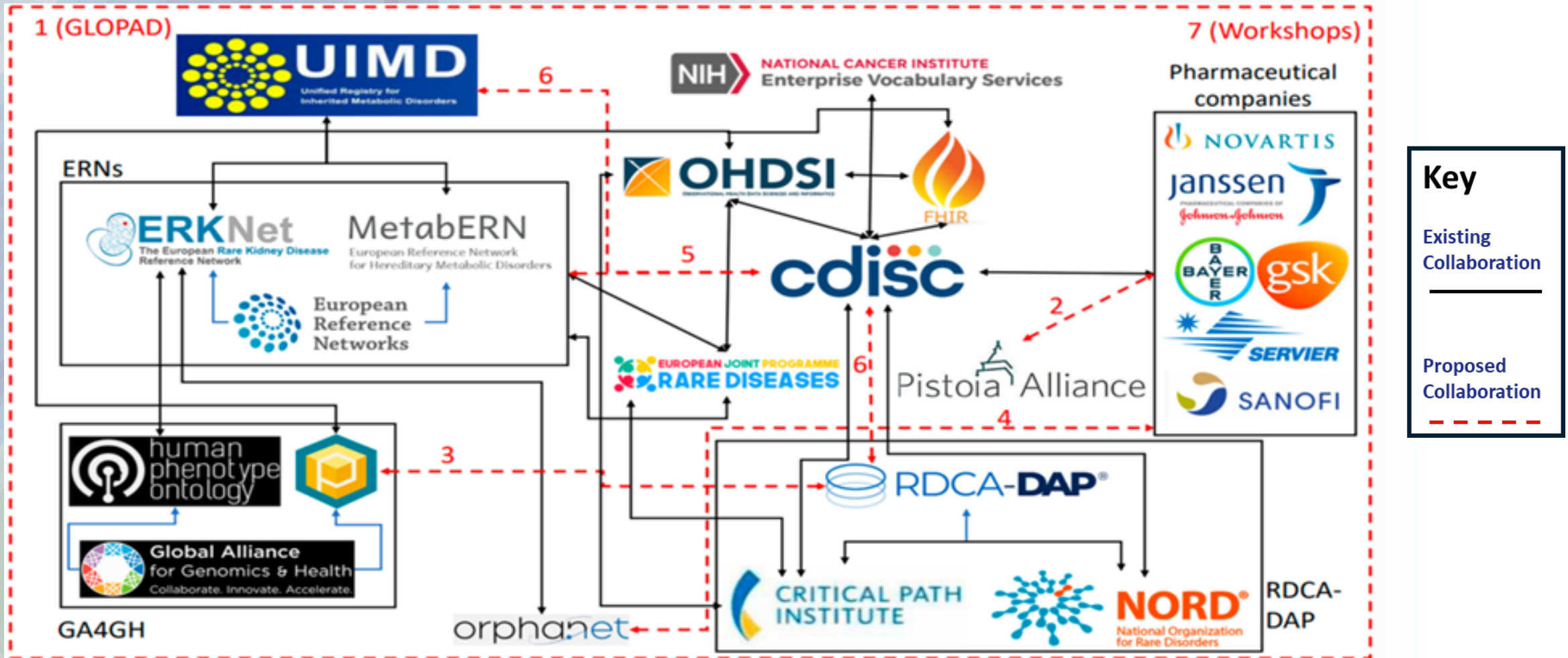


# Disease-specific data standardisation

- CDISC user guides development not possible due to vastness of disease-specific data items
- Focus on fostering collaborations between existing resources
- Formation of the Global Paediatric Data Forum (GLOPAD) to understand and foster collaborations



# Collaboration Network



# Global paediatric data forum (GLOPAD)

Avoid duplication in the field



Identify collaborative opportunities

Ensure c4c can address the paediatric-specific aspects of data harmonisation, by partnering with others.



Ensure relevant initiatives and projects meet the needs of the paediatric / RD population

Ensure that the paediatric clinical research community is both using and shaping the best possible tools and resources.



Create and maintain a log of each initiative, vision and opportunities

Consider scaling capabilities for a 'Rosetta stone' type of solution



Raise awareness of data interoperability and the FAIR principles

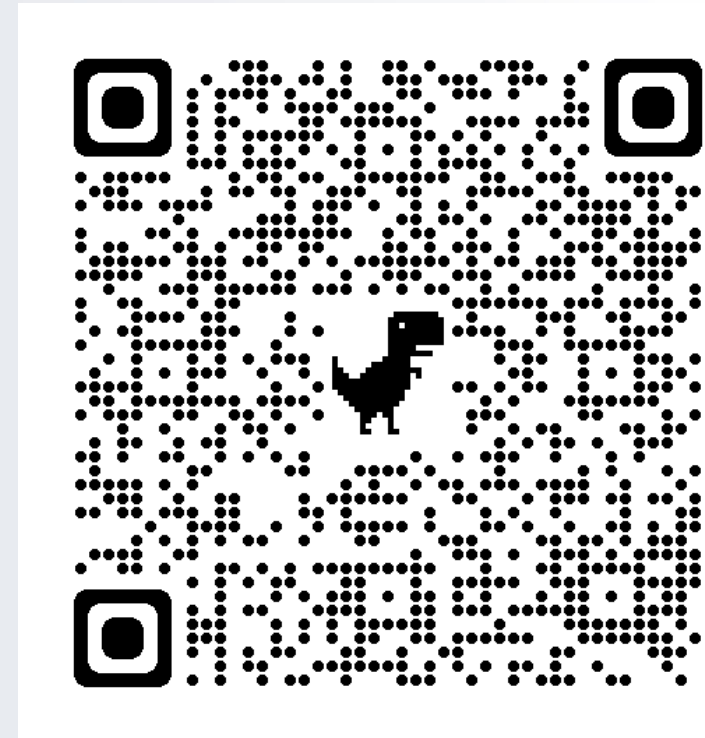
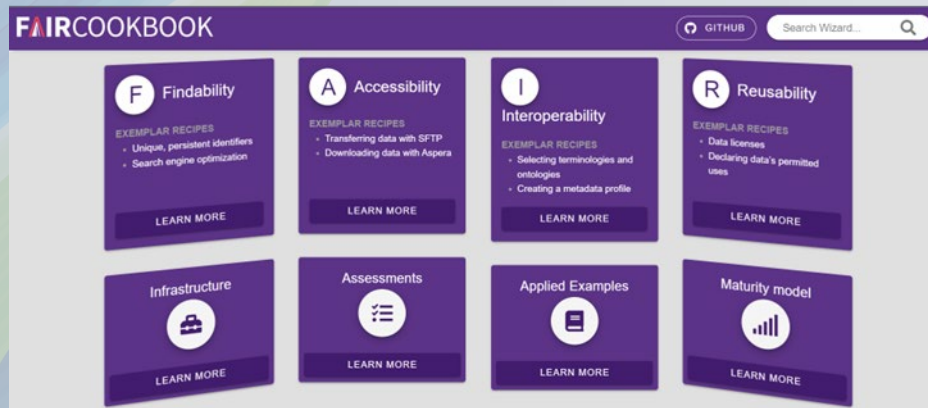
Lobbying?



Long term: Service brokerage.

# Apply the FAIR principles

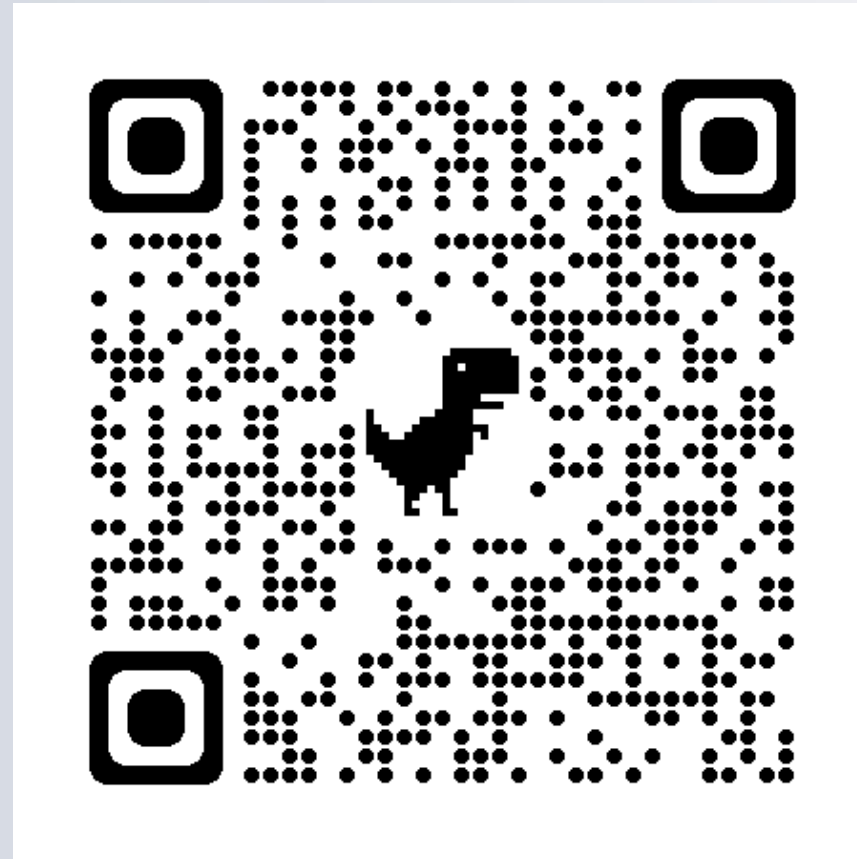
Increase the FAIR-ness of paediatric metadata



# Lessons Learnt

- Data field is large, rapidly evolving and growing collaboration rather than duplication is key
- Paediatric data has specificities that are often forgotten
- Academic networks need support to understand and implement standards
- The culture change around sharing data is slowly coming

# Read Our Papers here



# Additional Slides

