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| Mental Health Bulletin 89 |
| CMI/ODS Validations |
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## Purpose and Scope

* To communicate the dates for CMI/ODS data validations and finalisation of financial year data.

## Overview

Information about clinical mental health services that is relevant to funding, activity and performance monitoring is collected by the department through a range of channels. The collections underpin accountability for service provision, quality and safety, with the outputs contributing to a range of national datasets, and performance measurement and monitoring for Commonwealth, state and department purposes.

## CMI/ODS Validations

Further to Mental Health Bulletin 80 and to align with reporting requirements to the Commonwealth and other departmental data collections, the following dates **apply** for the return of CMI validation workbooks**.**

* July – September 31st October
* October – December 31st January
* January – March 30th April
* April – June 31st July

CMI workbooks are sent out monthly with the expectation that the quarter’s data will be completed by the timeframes above. Mental health services should aim to attend to CMI/ODS validations monthly to lessen the burden of review on a quarterly basis.

Data for 2024-25 financial year should be finalised by **24th August 2025**, in alignment with the acute data collections.

Ongoing the dates for validation timelines and final consolidation will be circulated in the *Policy and Funding Guidelines* relevant to that financial year under CMI/ODS Data Integrity.

## For More Information

# Further information about the correct use of CMI/ODS can be found on the [Victorian Government’s website](https://www.health.vic.gov.au/research-and-reporting/bulletins-and-program-management-circulars-pmc): <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/research-and-reporting/bulletins-and-program-management-circulars-pmc>

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