2024 to 2025 Market Sustainability and Improvement Fund (MSIF): information to be reported by each local authority

Background and context to 2024 to 2025 initial report

The grant guidance (condition 3, paragraph 1.17) of the 2024 to 2025 Market Sustainability and Improvement Fund stated that local authorities are required to submit an initial report to the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC). This Initial Report must include:

- confirmation that the local authority's share of MSIF has been allocated in full to adult social care
- confirmation that the local authority's share of the £162m Fair Cost of Care component of the fund has been used to maintain fee uplifts originally made as part of the 2022 to 2023 Market Sustainability and Fair Cost of Care Fund
- confirmation of which of the three target areas the local authority will be aiming to improve along planned spend on each; and
- reporting against the fee rate metrics set out in the 'Activities and Metrics' section of the MSIF Guidance Note (see link above).

Overview of report

The following tabs of this template set out the information to be reported as part of the Initial Report for 2024 to 2025. The tabs included in the report are as follows:

- a spend return for the 2024 to 2025 funding: to confirm that the money will be spent on ASC and how it will be spent across target areas
- initial reporting metrics on fee rates: to report provisional average fee rates for 2024 to 2025 across service types
- initial reporting on waiting times: since this metric will be collected using Client Level Data (CLD) for 2024 to 2025, this tab gives local authorities the option to provide any additional context on this area
- initial reporting on workforce: since this metric will be collected using Capacity Tracker (CT) data for 2024 to 2025, this tab gives local authorities the option to provide any additional context on this area

Further details on each area can be found in the relevant tab.