

UK ILD Registry Programme Closedown 2026 FAQs for Registry Participants

Following a BTS Board review of the Lung Disease Registry Programme, and considering the evolving needs of the respiratory field, the UK ILD Registry will be coming to an end on 30 June 2026.

1) When will the UK ILD Registry close?

The Registry will be closed to new cases from 30 April 2026

- Existing cases may be updated and committed until 30 May 2026
- Users can log in to download their hospital's exports and reports until 30 June 2026.

2) Will this impact the fibrotic HP cohort study?

No – the fibrotic HP cohort study is still going ahead as planned. Thank you all for your work on this.

3) How will this impact submissions to the NHSE Quality Dashboard and completion of the HQIP Quality Accounts?

NHSE Quality Dashboard: Returns will still need to be submitted to the NHS, however the data will no longer be able to be collated through the Registry platform.

HQIP Quality Accounts 2026/7: HQIP has been informed of the closure. As the Registry will close to new cases from the end of April 2026, sites will only need to submit data for the Quality Accounts to the end of April 2026. HQIP will take into account this partial submission for the Quality Account year.

4) Can I still access and download my institution's data?

All data relating to your institution will be available to download from the platform until **30th June 2026**. This includes exports (your database as a csv file) and reports. This also includes the letter confirming participation, so if you are a junior/resident doctor who would need a confirmatory letter for your portfolio this can be downloaded until 30th June.

5) Will the annual report still be published and include 2025 benchmarking data?

Yes. This report will be published in full and will be the final one to be published by the UK ILD Registry.

6) Will UK ILD Registry data still be available for research?

Yes. UK ILD Registry data (including data from the former UK IPF and UK Sarcoidosis Registries) will still be available for researchers to access, with no proposed end date for its availability. If you are interested in using national data for research, please visit [the BTS website](https://www.brit-thoracic.org.uk).

BTS owns and retains the national dataset, but your hospital is and will remain the owner of its own dataset. When you export your own site's data from the Registry, your hospital is completely free to use the data for research or local management. The data are subject to your local policies on data handling. BTS places no restrictions or requirements in relation to retention and deletion of your data.

7) Is there anything I can do to support the UK ILD Registry as it closes?

Yes. Sites are encouraged to commit (i.e. lock) their uncommitted clinical information and follow up records. Many records are complete, and committing them would ensure the research database will be as comprehensive as possible and can continue to help improve patient care for years to come.

Sincere thanks to all those who have dedicated their time to the UK ILD Registry over the last decade. If you have any questions at all please contact registry@brit-thoracic.org.uk