



Integrated Screening Outcomes Surveillance Service

ISOSS is a part of the NHS Infectious Diseases in Pregnancy Screening Programme, NHS England: [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk)

### A big thank you to all our respondents!

The ISOSS and CHARs teams are very grateful to everyone's efforts towards the end of 2023 for catching up with reporting. This has meant that we have been able to provide:

- **IDPS KPI data** for over 99% of units for Standard 6, quarter 2
- **HIV and syphilis data** for the annual reports with over 99% completeness
- **CHARs data** for the first annual report with 100% completeness!



### Team updates: Goodbye to Laurette!

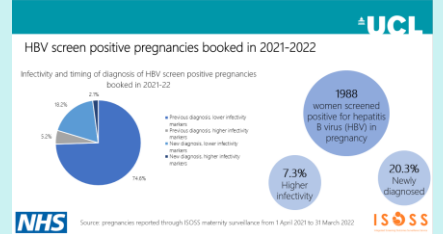
We are sorry to say farewell to **Laurette Bukasa** who is **leaving the ISOSS team at the end of January**. Laurette has been our Surveillance Officer working on maternity HIV for the last 5 years. Laurette has been a highly valued member of our team supporting key aspects of our work including high-level analyses, setting up data linkage with NHS Digital to monitor long-term outcomes among children who were HIV-exposed and authoring a paper using ISOSS data on [gestational diabetes](#).



Laurette is now completing her PhD and is moving into a new role abroad. We wish her all the very best for the future!

### Recent outputs

- Our first [hepatitis B slideset](#) is available on our website highlighting key findings from the report. You can use the slides for teaching and presentations.
- The UKHSA has published guidance for ['Viral Rash in Pregnancy'](#) with information on the investigation, diagnosis and management of a pregnant woman who has, or is exposed to, viral rash illness including syphilis. This has been a key theme identified in the ISOSS congenital syphilis CERPs.

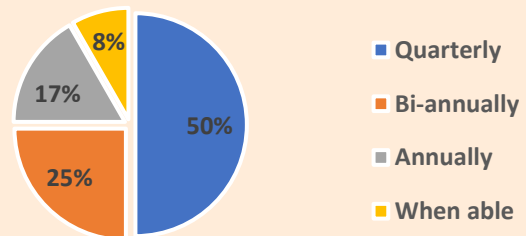
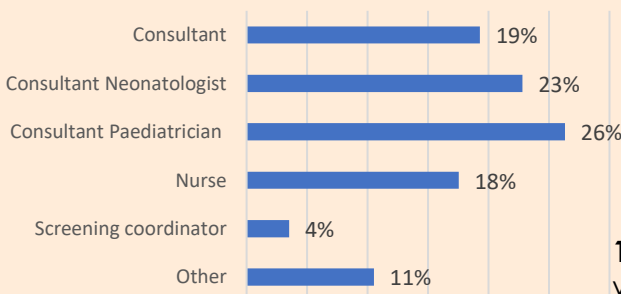


### Paediatric survey results

A **big thank you** to everyone who completed the **ISOSS/CHARs Paediatric respondent survey**. We had responses from half of paediatric respondents. We will be taking on board the helpful feedback and insights to shape future reporting processes. Key findings are summarised below:

A **range of roles** support both ISOSS and CHARs paediatric reporting.

**CHARs** survey respondents reported that **half are satisfied with the quarterly reporting cycle**.



**100%** of survey responders who report CHARs data were **satisfied with the current materials available** from the team as data providers for CHARs

## Maternity reporting tips – prioritising reporting tasks



**We know that reporting to ISOSS involves several tasks** that are often shared across the screening team. To try to assist teams and screening coordinators in planning time to complete tasks, we have put together the following **timetable that outlines tasks to prioritise (across infections) over the course of the reporting quarter:**

- **Continual/ASAP** complete outcome forms for pregnancies where the woman has delivered
- **Early in the quarter** submit completed green card for the previous quarter
- **Early/mid quarter** respond to query emails
- **Mid quarter** complete pregnancy notification forms, prioritising those highlighted in red and yellow on the reporting dashboard
- **Last weeks of quarter** review and approve standards dashboard for KPI submission (including where you have reported zero screen positive pregnancies for the quarter)

## Enquiries

Any queries regarding surveillance or the online platform should be sent to ISOSS via email at [isoss@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:isoss@ucl.ac.uk). Any queries about screening guidance should be sent to your local SQAS team via [england.annb-ga-admin@nhs.net](mailto:england.annb-ga-admin@nhs.net). Please note that as of 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024, the screening helpdesk will be closed.



## ISOSS at conferences

### BHIVA Autumn conference

The ISOSS/CHARS team hosted a stand at the [BHIVA Autumn conference](#) in London in November. We enjoyed meeting many of our colleagues and collaborators and coming together to support World AIDS Day.



L-R: Corinne, Emily, Kate, Helen

### World Children's Day

The team celebrated World Children's Day on 20 November with Emily Dema presenting an [update on the current paediatric HIV surveillance](#) in England using CHARS data.

### Upcoming conferences

We will be hosting stands at the [CHIVA conference on 15 March](#) and the [BHIVA Spring conference on 29 April – 1 May](#). Both conferences will be in Birmingham.



## Paediatric reporting

**Our first CHARS report is due to be published soon...**



**REPORTING REMINDER:** Any new children or young people diagnosed with HIV (born UK or abroad) should be **reported initially to ISOSS** so that a **CHARS** form can be generated.

### Breastfeeding form update

We are currently in the process of **updating our paediatric HIV supported breastfeeding forms** to help make collection of **maternal data** related to breastfeeding easier. Feedback from our recent paediatric respondent survey (see right) highlighted areas of the form that are more difficult to complete and why, which we are carefully considering when updating the forms.

