

Software Developer Impact Roadmap

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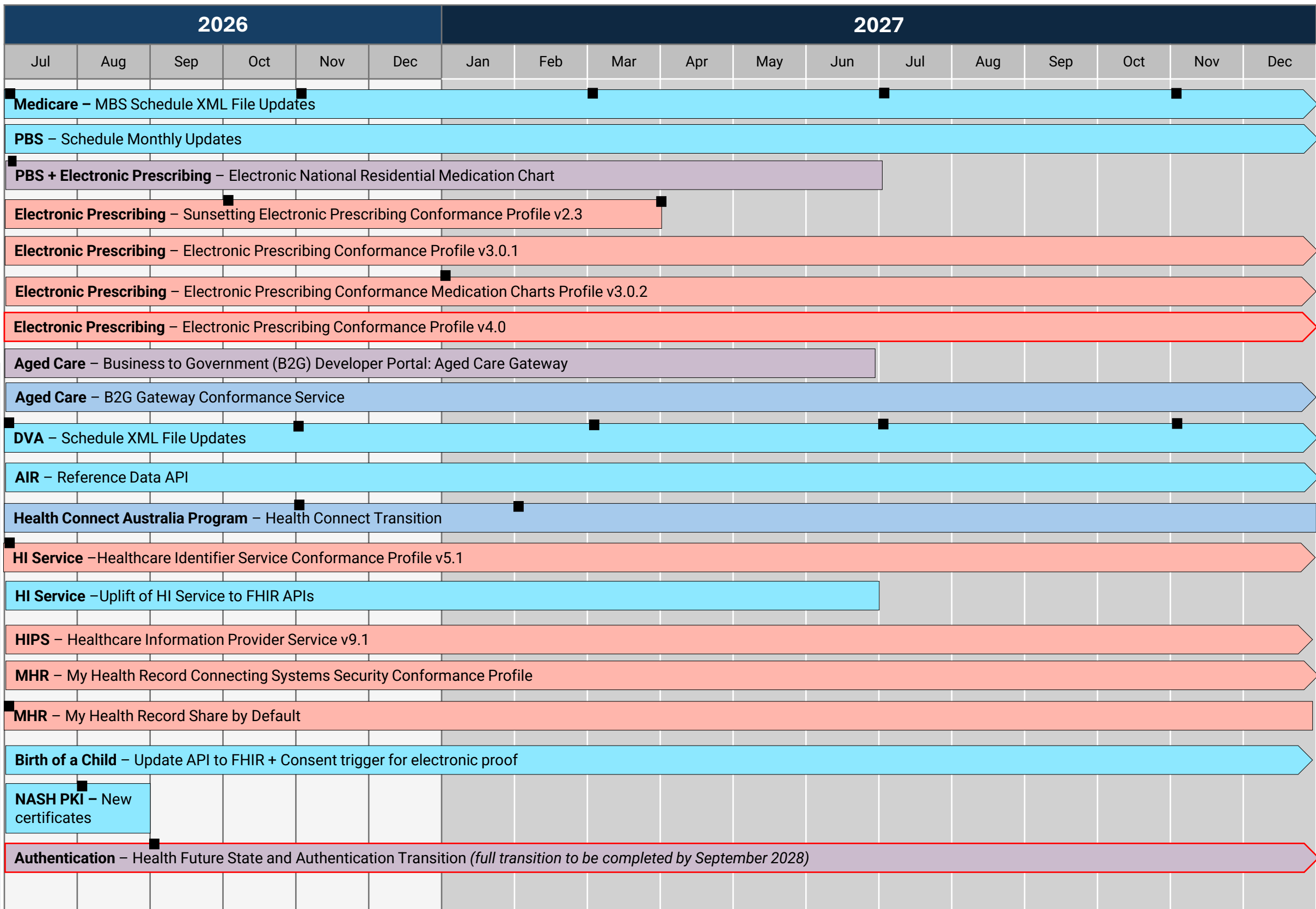
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This roadmap has been developed to capture known impacts to software developers in collaboration with **Services Australia**, the **Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (DHDA)**, the **Australian Digital Health Agency (ADHA)**, and the **Department of Veteran Affairs (DVA)**.

The roadmap will provide visibility and transparency of planned activities, enabling cross government collaboration and strategic planning with industry.



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Program	Initiative	New Milestones	Date of Milestones	Event	Impacted Developers
Medicare	MBS XML File Updates	No	Updates published on the 1st of every January, March, July and November		- Medicare Online - Private Health Insurance
PBS & Electronic Prescribing	Electronic National Residential Medication Chart (eNRMC)	No	2026-07-01	Implementation of electronic medication charts to be used in expanded clinical settings.	- Transitional eNRMC - Electronic prescribing
Electronic Prescribing	Sunsetting of Electronic Prescribing Conformance Profile v2.3	No	2026-09-30	Developers must upgrade from v2.3 to v3.0.1 eRx RESTful API	Electronic prescribing
			2027-03-27	All clients must be transitioned	
	Electronic Prescribing Conformance Medication Charts Profile v3.0.2	No	2026-12-31	Residential Aged Care Homes must demonstrate conformance	Electronic prescribing
Aged Care	Changes to Care Minute Funding	No	2026-07-01	Changes to transition the payment of residential care subsidies and supplements from advance payments to payments in arrears over a period of 4 years.	Aged Care
	Business to Government (B2G) Developer Portal – Aged Care Gateway	Yes	2026-07-01	Release of Client APIs	Aged Care
DVA	DVA Schedule XML File Updates	No	Updates published on the 1st of every January, March, July and November		DVA Healthcare Providers
Health Connect	Health Connect Australia Program	Yes	2026-11-01	Limited Production release of the Health Connect Provider Directory	HI system
			2027-02-01	National roll out of the Health Connect Provider Directory until end of June 2027	
HI Service	HI Service Conformance Profile v5.1	Yes	2026-07-01	HI Service Conformance Profile v5.1 scheduled to be released	HI system
MHR	Share by Default	Yes	2026-07-01	Legislation comes into effect	MHR system
NASH	NASH PKI – New Certificates	Yes	2026-07-10	Testing available for MHR and National Prescription Delivery Service	HI system
Authentication	Health Future State and Authentication Transition <i>More information will be provided</i>	No	2026-09-01	Software developers will have 12 months to upgrade	All developers
			2028-09-01	Transitions must be complete. NASH will cease and there is no extension.	

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Medicare	Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) XML File Updates	Services Australia	The XML file includes information such as annual indexation of MBS items schedule fees and particular changes made to MBS items, as approved by Government. The XML file is primarily used by practice software to update relevant information and contains values and tags relevant to certain MBS item rules.	Yes	Schedule available via MBS website	No
	Assignment of Benefits (AOB)	Services Australia & Department of Health, Disability and Ageing	AOB reforms are designed to support digital consent mechanisms, strengthen record-keeping requirements, and enhance the overall integrity of the Medicare system. By introducing more flexible and secure ways for patients to assign their benefits, the changes aim to improve access to care and simplify billing processes for both patients and providers. These changes will be enacted on 1 July 2026.	No	Services Australia: Developer Liaison More information via DHDA website	No
PBS	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) Schedule Monthly Updates	Services Australia	The PBS schedule is updated on the first day of every month and contains changes to listings.	No	Schedule available via PBS website	No
PBS & Electronic Prescribing	Electronic National Residential Medication Chart (eNRMC)	Department of Health, Disability and Ageing	Development of a framework for electronic medication charts to be used in expanded clinical settings. A standard chart will be developed with specialised charts for clinical settings with specific clinical needs (like chemotherapy). Implementation of electronic medication charts to be used in expanded clinical settings, as developed in the National Electronic Medication Chart Framework.	Yes	More information via DHDA website	No
Electronic Prescribing	Sunsetting of Electronic Prescribing Conformance Profile v2.3	Australian Digital Health Agency	As announced on 25 March 2025, following consultation with the software industry, the sunset date for has been extended to 30 September 2026.	Yes	More information for ADHA initiatives and programs via Implementation Hub	No
	Electronic Prescribing Conformance Profile v3.0.1	Australian Digital Health Agency	Implementation of the full suite of enhanced electronic prescribing functionalities includes additional cyber security requirements, additional HI requirements, and enhanced capabilities for consumers to manage their Active Script List (ASL) via conformant mobile apps.	No		No
	Electronic Prescribing Conformance Medication Charts Profile v3.0.2	Australian Digital Health Agency	A limited conformance assessment for software vendors serving residential aged care, specifically eNRMC providers. This includes the uptake of Electronic Prescribing Conformance Profile v3.0.1.	Yes		No
	Electronic Prescribing Conformance Profile v4.0	Australian Digital Health Agency	The draft for consultation was released on 27 January 2026 for industry review and feedback by 20 March 2026. Optional drop-in sessions have been scheduled throughout the feedback period to facilitate transparent and productive feedback ahead of the final versions of the Conformance Profiles.	Yes		No

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Aged Care	Business to Government (B2G) Developer Portal – Aged Care Gateway	Department of Health, Disability and Ageing	The B2G initiative aims to build capability across aged care providers and ICT vendors by establishing APIs that enables a direct, secure connection between aged care software systems and DHDA. This API capability streamlines reporting processes, improving efficiency, data accuracy, and timeliness, while reducing administrative burden—allowing providers to focus more on delivering quality care to older Australians. It enables the seamless exchange of information and data between provider systems and DHDA.	No	More information for DHDA Aged Care initiatives via B2G Developer Portal	No
	B2G Gateway Conformance Service	Department of Health, Disability and Ageing & Australian Digital Health Agency	DHDA has developed the B2G Gateway system to facilitate the efficient exchange of information with the government. ADHA is responsible for the establishment and operation of this Scheme. ADHA delivers a conformance service that seeks to ensure the safe and secure use of the B2G Gateway system by all participating software products and systems, through conformance assessment against the B2G Gateway systems, by June 2026.	No	More information for DHDA Aged Care initiatives via B2G Developer Portal	No
DVA	Department of Veteran Affairs (DVA) Schedule XML File Updates	Services Australia	The XML file includes information such as annual indexation of MBS and DVA items schedule fees and particular changes made to MBS/DVA items, as approved by Government. The XML file is primarily used by practice software to update relevant information and contains values and tags relevant to certain MBS and DVA item rules.	Yes	Schedule available via DVA website	No
AIR	Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) Reference Data API	Services Australia	AIR software developers should utilise AIR Reference Data API to access all vaccine details and receive updates to listings.	No		No
Health Connect Australia	Health Connect Transition	Services Australia & Australian Digital Health Agency	As part of the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) on National Digital Health 2023-27, the Health Connect Australia program will uplift the healthcare information sharing ecosystem in Australia. The Health Connect program aim is to establish a national health information exchange capability to enable connected healthcare in Australia by supporting information sharing.	Yes	More information for ADHA initiatives and programs via Implementation Hub	No
HI Service	Healthcare Identifier (HI) Service Conformance Profile v5.1	Australian Digital Health Agency	The new HI Service Conformance Profile version 5.1 is targeted for release by July 2026. The HI Roadmap identified the need for a review and update to the HI Service conformance profile to support legislation changes to the HI Act.	Yes	More information for ADHA initiatives and programs via Implementation Hub	No
	Uplift of HI Service to Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) APIs	Services Australia	This initiative is to update the current HI webservice from SOAP API’s to the FHIR standard to support healthcare interoperability. Services Australia will prioritise the build and implementation of FHIR based HI Service web services for: - TECH.SIS.6 - IHI Inquiry Search via B2B - TECH.SIS.12 - Consumer Search IHI Batch Synchronous - TECH.SIS.30 - Consumer Search IHI Batch Asynchronous Services Australia will continue to support and maintain existing SOAP APIs until all users have transition to FHIR.	No		Yes

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HIPS	Healthcare Information Provider Service (HIPS) Service v9.1	Australian Digital Health Agency	HIPS enables healthcare providers to upload and view key health information. HIPS is a middleware product offering seamless integration with systems including patient administration systems, clinical information systems, and laboratory and radiology information systems.	Yes	More information for ADHA initiatives and programs via Implementation Hub	No
			HIPS is designed primarily to support large-scale digital health environments typically found in organisations such as hospitals and diagnostic service providers.			
MHR	My Health Record (MHR) Connecting Systems Security Conformance Profile	Australian Digital Health Agency	The MHR Connecting Systems Security Conformance Profile, along with supporting artefacts, guide MHR software implementation.	No	More information for ADHA initiatives and programs via Implementation Hub	No
			A 12-month implementation period commenced on 23 February 2026 for all vendors who have existing My Health Record Conformance. Conformance with the Security Conformance Profile is required for new My Health Record Connecting Systems prior to being granted My Health Record Production Access.			
	Share by Default – Requirement to upload pathology and diagnostic imaging reports to MHR by default	Australian Digital Health Agency	The Share by Default program aims to improve access to health information for Australians and their healthcare providers. Initially, the requirements will apply to pathology and diagnostic imaging reports, meaning these reports must be uploaded to My Health Record unless an exception applies or an extension to comply has been granted. These rules support the primary legislation and will come into effect on 1 July 2026 (subject to parliamentary processes).	Yes	More information for ADHA initiatives and programs via Implementation Hub	No
Birth of a Child (BoC)	Consent trigger to send electronic proof of birth from hospitals to Services Australia	Services Australia	The Birth of a Child service is a consent-based model, requiring the birth mother to consent prior to sending electronic proof of birth data from the hospital to Services Australia. Currently, consent collection is paper-based and requires the hospital staff to input the consent outcome into the payload prior to sending to Services Australia. The future consent model would remove the need for the midwife to collect paper-based consent prior to discharge and have the consent recorded in advance of the birth mother entering the hospital to have the baby. This would require a consent flag to be stored in the patient administration system (or similar) as well as an automatic trigger of the payload to send to Services Australia.	No		No
	Update API to meet Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) standards	Services Australia	The Birth of a Child program has an API named the ‘BoC API’ webservice that is currently in the Services Australia Developers Portal. The service has been tested up to the pre-prod environment, where it currently remains awaiting a hospital to move from the current SFTP process or to onboard a new hospital before moving into production. The BoC API will need an uplift to meet the FHIR requirements. This will ensure support from jurisdictions to onboard and support a National Rollout of the BoC service. This initiative will also support replacement of the hospital's integration from the Services Australia Developer Portal to the Health Systems Developer Portal.	No		No
Authentication	Health Future State and Authentication Transition	Department of Health, Disability and Ageing	End of life for NASH PKI which will transition to a future state model for Health. Consultation and planning is currently underway to develop a future state authentication solution. Full transition to be completed by September 2028.	Yes	DHDA: DH Interfaces	No
NASH	NASH PKI – New certificates	Services Australia	All healthcare organisation will commence transitioning to the new NASH PKI certificate from August 2026. A testing window is now open to test the new NASH PKI certificate. Testing must be completed by August 2026 to ensure transition.	Yes	NASH PKI Business	Yes