

PCOC Version 4 in ieMR

Clinician Information Sheet

What is changing?

PCOC Version 4 will replace the existing PCOC Version 3 documentation within ieMR. The current target implementation is **October 2026**.

This upgrade aligns ieMR documentation with the **PCOC Version 4 national data definitions**, supporting standardised collection of palliative care outcome measures and future reporting requirements.

PCOC Version 3 documentation will be retired at go-live.

Important Information

This education package focuses on:

- ✓ Recording and documenting PCOC Version 4 assessments in ieMR
- ✓ Completing PowerForms, iView documentation and Smart Templates
- ✓ Understanding clinical workflow changes

Not included in this package:

- ✗ Education about the clinical changes between PCOC Version 3 and Version 4 (refer here for further PCOC version 4 information [Healthcare professionals - University of Wollongong – UOW](#))
- ✗ Data extraction and reporting processes
- ✗ Dashboards and analytics

Information regarding data extraction, reporting and analytics will be communicated separately.

Key Changes

New PCOC Version 4 PowerForm

A new **Palliative Care Outcomes Collaboration (PCOC) Form** will replace the existing Version 3 PowerForm.

The new form includes:

- All PCOC Version 4 dataset elements
- 4AT Delirium Assessment

The PowerForm will be available via Ad Hoc folders:

- Palliative Care
- Doctor Forms
- Nursing

Updated iView Documentation

The **Adult Palliative Care** iView band will be updated to:

- Display PCOC Version 4 assessment data
- Remove SAS documentation components

PowerPlan Update: Palliative Care Management Adult

Updates include:

- A single PCOC order generating a CareCompass task
- Removal of Version 3 orders and tasks

Smart Templates

Smart Templates automatically retrieve the most recent PCOC assessment data and insert it into a clinical note, reducing the need to manually re-enter scores.

Two Smart Templates will support clinical documentation:

PCOC Summary

- Phase
- RUG-ADL
- AKPS

PCOC Full Assessment

- Complete Version 4 assessment dataset

Benefits

The Version 4 build aims to:

- Improve documentation consistency
- Reduce duplicate data entry
- Align with national PCOC standards
- Improve clinician workflow
- Support future reporting and analytics

Frequency of Assessment

PCOC assessments should be completed:

- On admission or commencement of care
- Daily in inpatient and residential aged care settings
- At each contact in community, outpatient and consultation settings
- When there is a change in patient needs, care plan, or palliative care phase
- At discharge