



Fracture Liaison Service Database

Webtool user guide v1.3

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Introduction

The Fracture Liaison Service Database (FLS-DB) is a national audit commissioned by the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) and managed by the Royal College of Physicians (RCP) as part of the Falls and Fragility Fracture Audit Programme (FFFAP).

This document has been produced by Crown Informatics and the FLS-DB team to assist users of the FLS-DB website. Crown Informatics audit team is commissioned by the RCP to operate the data collection and reporting as part of the project.

For further information about the FLS-DB audit, please visit our [website](#). You can contact the FLS-DB team via email: flsdb@rcp.ac.uk or call: +44 (0)20 3075 1511.

Setting up your Fracture Liaison Service (FLS) on the audit webtool

If you are a new FLS or have not yet registered on the FLS-DB, please visit the [‘Participating in the FLS-DB’](#) webpage to find the registration and support documentation.

Logging into the database

To log into the FLS-DB audit webtool, please visit www.fffap.org.uk and click the ‘Sign in’ button.



You will be asked to log in. Enter your username and password and click ‘Sign in’.

The image shows the sign-in page for the FLS-DB. The page has a white background with a 'crown audit' logo in the top left and a '+ Support' button in the top right. The main heading is 'Sign in' with the instruction 'Please enter your username and password'. There are two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. Below the 'Username' field is a link for 'Username reminder?'. Below the 'Password' field is a link for 'Reset password?'. At the bottom of the form are two buttons: 'Sign In' (orange) and 'Help' (blue).

This will log you into the FLS-DB website.

News/Events

- **FLSDB exchange – 2025 annual report**
Recording available
- **Data cut deadline 30 May 2025**
- **FLSDB 2025 annual report**
Latest state of nation report
- **Game changing plans for 2025**
Recording available
- **FLS-DB missed opportunities**
Reporting extended to all parts of the UK
- **New resource**
Starter pack – patient information
- **Top tips for maximising adherence in the FLS setting**
Recording available
- **New resource available**
Men and FLS/FLS stand with a man!
- **New resource available**
Data-Driven Governance: Using FLS-DB in Leadership Meetings

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You've had a fracture; how can we prevent another?

The Fracture Liaison Service Database's 2025 annual report focuses on ensuring that patients who are at high risk of another broken bone have started treatment within 16 weeks of their first broken bone.

[Download 2025 report](#)

Important dates:

The next clinical data deadline for cases seen 1 January – 31 December 2024 to be included in the next yearly report is Friday 30 May 2025.

- [Run Charts](#)
- [Online benchmarks](#)
- [Improvement repository](#)
- [Clinical & patient resources](#)
- [National data-opt-out support](#)

NB. Always log out of the database by clicking on the **'Logout'** button at the end of the session (top right corner of webpage) to ensure your patient data is not compromised.

You can also log in via passkey by ticking **'Create a passkey'**. Passkey is a new globally recognised identity standard to help users to easily access secure services. More information about this can be found online: <https://www.crownaudit.org/ciportal.nsf/docs/PasskeyAbout>

Sign in with a password

Username

Username reminder?

Password

Reset password?

Create a passkey
Check the help for details.

Sign in with a password
Help

Forgotten username

A username for this system follows a set format with three components: 'John Smith/ORG/NCASP'

1. Name: First and last name with a space between
2. ORG code: Organisation code which is specific to your hospital or unit
3. Audit code: NCASP for FFFAP audits

Forgotten usernames can be resent to the user. Click '[Username reminder](#)' and complete the details below. An email reminder will be sent to you.

Sign in
Please enter your username and password

Username

Password

[Username reminder?](#)

[Reset password?](#)

[Sign In](#) [Help](#)

Username reminder
Fill in the details below and we'll email your username to you.

First and last name

Email

[Send my username reminder](#) [Help](#)

Forgotten password

Forgotten passwords can be reset automatically by clicking '[Reset password](#)'

Sign in
Please enter your username and password

Username

Password

[Username reminder?](#)

[Reset password?](#)

[Sign In](#) [Help](#)

Reset password
Fill in the details below and we'll reset your password.

System username

Email

New password

Confirm new password

[Forgot username?](#)

[Reset password](#) [Help](#)

You will be asked to confirm your system username that you were given when first registering. It will be in the format: John Smith/ORG/NCASP, with your registered email address.

Your password must have at least eight characters and include capital letters, a number and a special character.

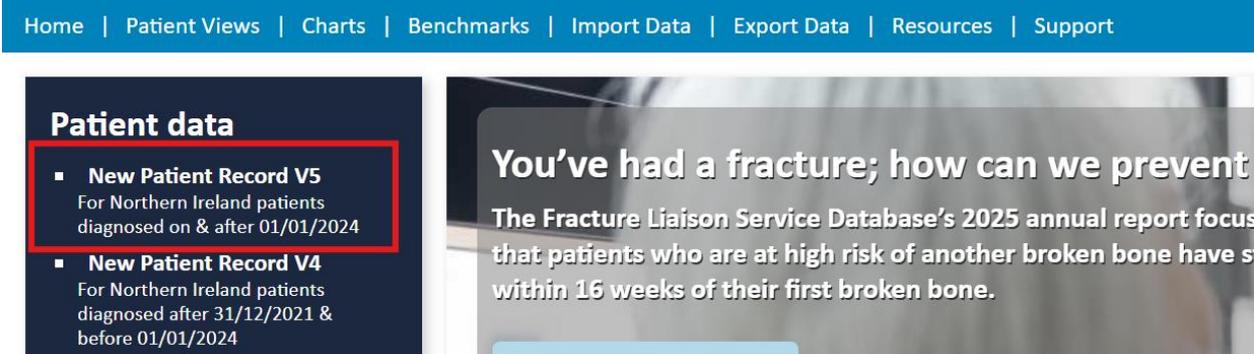
You will receive an email (which may take a few minutes to arrive) to your registered email address **if** the username and email address you entered in the reset stage matches your record on file. The email will contain a link to click, which will then activate your new password.

Patient audit data entry

To access the patient data collection component of the audit: select '**Patient views**' on the top of the menu where you can view existing patients entered for your organisation.



To create a new patient record, click '**New patient record**'. Please note that there is a different version of patient record depending on the year the patient was diagnosed. You will find the options on the left of the 'patient views' page (as shown below):



Important points to remember when entering data

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From 31 July 2022, you must check your patient's national data opt-out status before uploading them to the FLS-DB. For more information, see the [National Data Opt-Out page](#).

Patient record (v5): (unsaved record) DRAFT record - 13 questions remaining (0% complete)

Key: ■ Mandatory questions ■ Lite questions ■ Discretionary questions ■ NHFD fields

Patient	Patient cont'd	Investigation	DXA	Initiation	Falls risk assessment and outcome	Follow-up 12-16	Follow-up 17-20
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1. Patient confirmation

1.01 ■ Pseudonymised patient number: ?
For patients residing outside the UK please use the word: 'Overseas'.

1.02 ■ Age at time of fracture:
Patients must be over 49 and under 111 years of age

- > Complete the form by working through the tabs along the top from left to right.
- > Use the help buttons (?) to view the help notes for each question.
- > Pop-up boxes may appear if invalid data is entered once the record is saved.
- > The Artemis ID is created when the record is created.
- > There are some mandatory fields that must be entered to allow a record to be created.

Always save the information entered before closing the page. To do this, click 'Save' then 'Close'.

If you need to edit the data after you have entered it, you can open the patient record from the 'Patient view' and click 'Edit'. When you have finished, click 'Save' then 'Close'.

Registering new colleagues

To request a new account for a colleague, please log in, go to 'support' at the top and then 'create user' on the left to follow the instructions. This will send an email to your lead clinician who will then be able to log in and approve the access request.

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Resources

- Useful Links
- Downloads
- FAQs
- Create User**

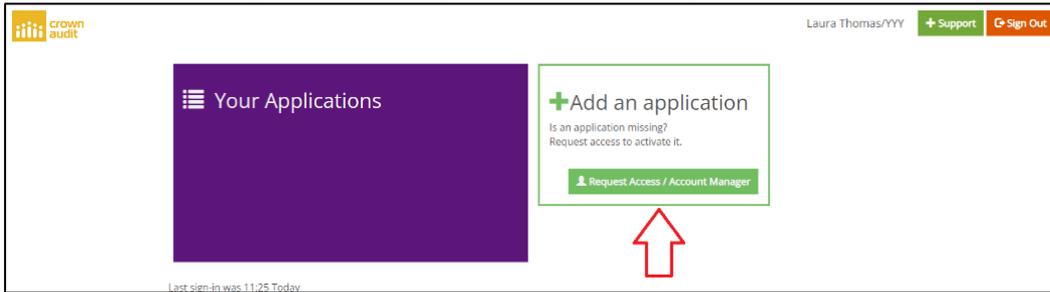
FFFAP - Fracture Liaison Service Database - Support and Advice Help Desk

If you need help using the audit system or wish to discuss any aspect of its operation, please contact either:

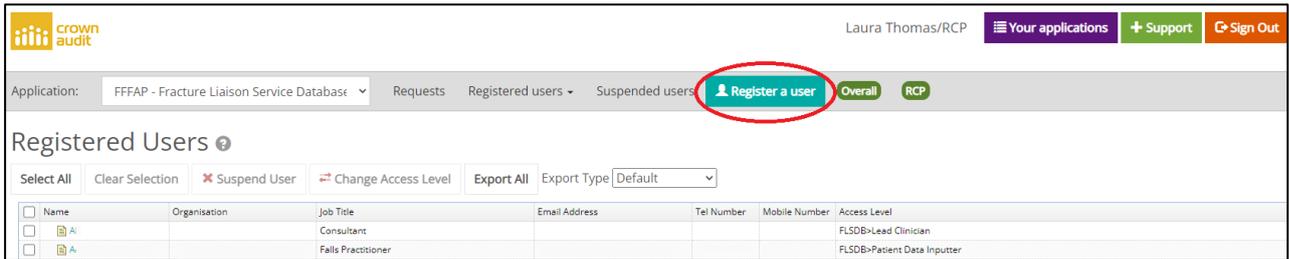
 **Clinical Support Help Desk**
For audit related queries contact the FFFAP team.

Any registered user for an organisation can request a login for their colleagues (*subject to approval from the lead clinician*).

To access the user registration area, go to 'Account Manager':



You will be presented with a list of active users for your organisation – click 'Register a user':



Complete all fields of the form following the guidance:

Register a user FFFAP - Fracture Liaison Service Database

Use this form to register a new user or update an existing user. Details entered here must be accurate.

Select which hospital/unit this person will be registered for. Choose from the list of units and/or enter your ODS code.
If you are unable to locate your hospital by name or ODS/Hospital code, use the 'new organisation' button.

Organisation / Hospital / Unit / Service

Official hospital ODS Code (NACS) + New organisation

Forename *do not use all capitals

Surname

Job title

Job type

Job speciality

Job role Grade

Email Address *cannot be generic email address

Direct phone number Ext

Other personal or mobile number

User role / Access level Facilities Audit Only Patient Data Inputter Lead Clinician

Facilities audit only	Patient data inputter	Lead clinician
- View and update facilities audit	- View and update facilities audit - Can create/read/edit patient records - Export own hospital data	- View and update facilities audit - Can create/read/edit patient records - Export own hospital data - Add and remove users

Please check these details carefully before submitting this form.
 You may be held personally accountable if you submit an account request which grants inappropriate access to a person under the Data Protection Act. Do not grant access to anybody unless you are satisfied that the request is genuine and can be verified. Do not grant access to anybody by default or if there is any element of doubt. Your registration responsibilities

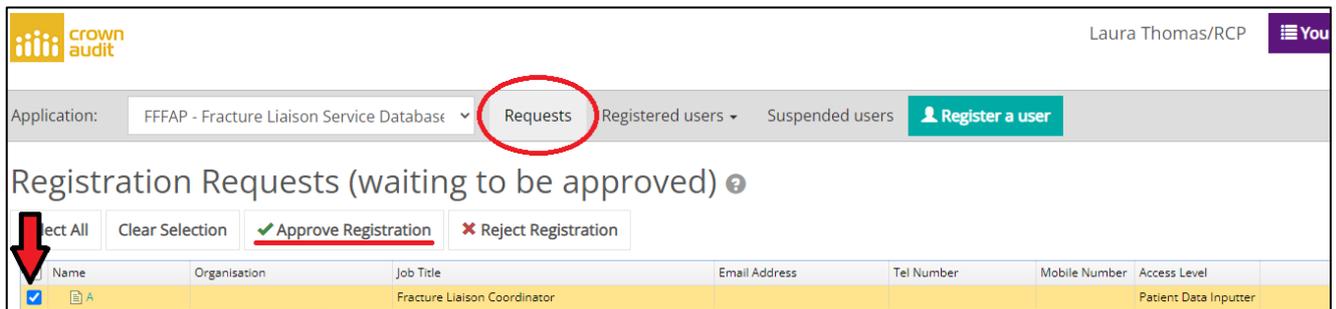
I have checked this user's details and wish to register this person.

Register User Cancel

Once complete, click 'register User'.
 If any errors are detected an error box will be presented – please amend as necessary and resubmit the registration request.

The lead clinician for the service needs to then approve the registration:

Click on **'Requests'**, then select the user you wish to approve and select **'Approve registration'**:



- > The newly registered user will be sent a link to activate their account and, once activated, they will be able to log in from www.fffap.org.uk
- > A username consists of the person's registered name, a hospital/service code and a programme name. For example: John Smith/ORG/NCASP
- > Please note, the email address must be linked to the person who uses the account, it cannot be a generic email address. For example, audit@hospital.nhs.net is not sufficient.

Changing the access level of a user

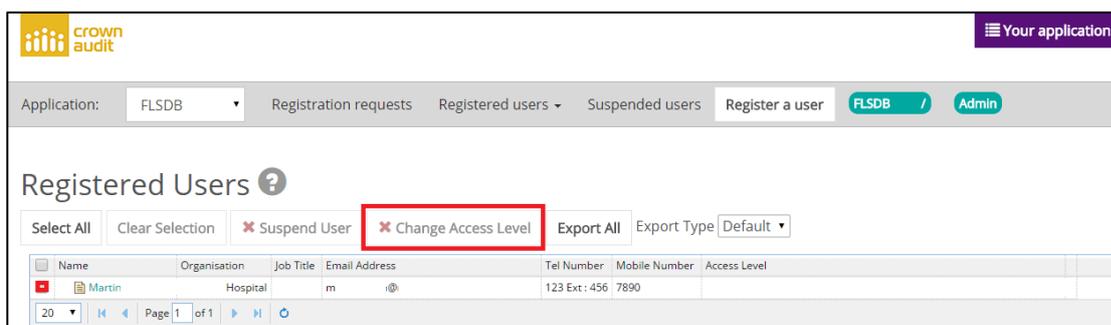
As noted in the 'registering colleagues' section above, there are three levels of access to the FLS-DB:

Facilities audit access	Patient level access	Lead clinician
View and update facilities audit	View and update facilities audit	View and update facilities audit
	Create/read/edit patient records	Create/read/edit patient records
	Export own hospital data	Export own hospital data Add/remove users

Lead clinicians are the only users who are permitted to change the access level for colleagues.

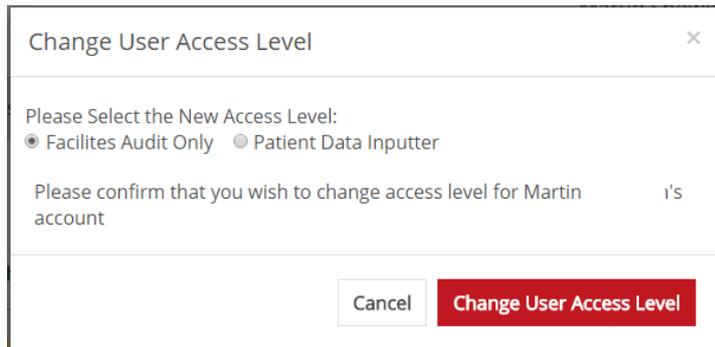
To change the access level to FLS-DB for a colleague at your site, follow the below steps:

- > Sign in at www.fffap.org.uk and then select the **'Request Access' / 'Account Manager'** green link.
- > The Account Manager will load and display the list of users at your site, for example:



- > Select the user(s) from the list
- > Click the **'Change Access Level'** button

You will be prompted to select an access level:



Change User Access Level

Please Select the New Access Level:
 Facilities Audit Only Patient Data Inputter

Please confirm that you wish to change access level for Martin [redacted]'s account

Cancel Change User Access Level

- > Select the appropriate access level (either '**Facilities Audit Only**' or '**Patient Data Inputter**)
- > Click '**Change User Access Level**' to confirm the access level change (or '**Cancel**' to cancel the change)
- > If you confirm the change then the user(s) access level will be changed and the user will be emailed with confirmation of their new level of access. Confirmation emails will also be sent to the lead clinician.
- > The change will take effect the next time the user logs into the system.

Please note:

1. The change access level function is only available to lead clinicians.
2. The change access level function cannot be used to change the access level of the lead clinician using the function, ie a lead clinician cannot use the function to change their own access level. Please contact IT support in this instance (helpdesk@CrownAudit.org).

Support

Below are the details of how to get in touch for support – if you are unsure who is best to contact to answer your query, please email flsdb@rcp.ac.uk and you will be put in touch with the correct person.

Please do not send patient identifiable information to the FFFAP/FLS-DB team.

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Email: FLSDB@rcp.ac.uk

Phone: 020 3075 1511 /1266 - 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday

PLEASE DO NOT SEND THE FFFAP TEAM PATIENT IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION



Technical Support Help Desk

For technical related queries:

Crown Audit Help Desk

Email: Helpdesk@crownaudit.org

You can reset your password online at:

www.crownaudit.org

Project information and information governance

This user guide was prepared by the members of the FLS-DB workstream delivery team and Crown Informatics Limited.

Falls and Fragility Fracture Audit Programme (FFFAP)

The Fracture Liaison Service Database (FLS-DB) is commissioned by the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) and managed by the Royal College of Physicians (RCP) as part of the FLS-DB Workstream of the Falls and Fragility Programme (FFFAP) alongside the National Hip Fracture Database (NHFD) and National Audit of Inpatient Falls (NAIF). FFFAP audits the care that patients with fragility fractures and inpatient falls receive in hospital and to facilitate quality improvement initiatives.

Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP)

HQIP is an independent organisation, which works in partnership with patients and healthcare professionals to influence and improve healthcare practice at all levels. We are committed to being open and accountable, and to listen, learn and respond swiftly and appropriately as part of our ongoing cycle of improvement.

HQIP commissions, manages, supports and promotes national and local programmes of quality improvement. This includes the national clinical audit programmes, local audit support resources and the National Joint Registry on behalf of NHS England and other healthcare departments and organisations. HQIP uses best management and procurement practice to ensure robust results and actionable recommendations

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