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Title	Advance Notification of Downtime June 2020 to December 2020	
Purpose	This User Notice advises Users of provisional dates for Planned Downtime.	
Intended Audience	All ESR Users	

SUBJECT


Advance Notification of Downtime.

DETAIL

Users are advised that the following downtime is provisionally scheduled during June 2020 through to December 2020. The exact timings of the downtime, including end times, will be detailed in User Notices before the downtime event and are subject to change.

Reason	Planned Start Date / Time	Planned End Date
Release 46.0.0.0 & Agile Release 46.1.0.0	Friday 26 th June 2020 from 18:00	Sunday 28 th June 2020 by 23:59 Changes in this release may require an extended runtime for the NHS ESRBI Refresh process. If this is required, it will be formally communicated in the actual release downtime notification.
July 2020 Merge	Friday 24 th July 2020 from 18:00	Sunday 26 th July 2020 by 18:00
Agile Release 46.2.0.0	Friday 31 st July 2020 from 18:00	<i>This is a placeholder for an ESR release that will be scheduled. The content will be reviewed to minimise/remove any requirement for downtime if at all possible.</i> <i>If any downtime is required then this will be communicated via a separate User Notice closer to the date.</i>
August 2020 Merge & Agile Release 46.3.0.0	Friday 28 th August 2020 from 18:00	Monday 31 st August 2020 by 18:00
Release 47.0.0.0 & Agile Release 47.1.0.0	Friday 25 th September 2020 from 18:00	Sunday 27 th September 2020 by 23:59 Changes in this release may require an extended runtime for the NHS ESRBI Refresh process. If this is required, it will be formally communicated in the actual release downtime notification.
October 2020 Merge	Friday 23 rd October 2020 from 18:00	Sunday 25 th October 2020 by 18:00

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<i>Agile Release 47.2.0.0</i>	<i>Friday 30th October 2020 from 18:00</i>	<i>This is a placeholder for an ESR release that will be scheduled. The content will be reviewed to minimise/remove any requirement for downtime if at all possible. If any downtime is required then this will be communicated via a separate User Notice closer to the date.</i>
<i>Agile Release 47.3.0.0</i>	<i>Friday 27th November 2020 from 18:00</i>	<i>This is a placeholder for an ESR release that will be scheduled. The content will be reviewed to minimise/remove any requirement for downtime if at all possible. If any downtime is required then this will be communicated via a separate User Notice closer to the date.</i>
<i>Release 48.0.0.0 & Agile Release 48.1.0.0</i>	<i>Thursday 31st December 2020 from 18:00</i>	<i>Sunday 03rd January 2021 by 23:59 Changes in this release may require an extended runtime for the NHS ESRBI Refresh process. If this is required, it will be formally communicated in the actual release downtime notification.</i>

ACTION REQUIRED

Where downtime is listed as “from 18:00” the on-line Service will be closed at 18:00 and the ESR batch queues held from 16:00 to ensure that no batch work is running when the service is withdrawn at 18:00.

Any pay-related jobs that need to complete before the system closedown at 18:00 must be submitted well in advance in order for them to be completed by 18:00. This includes payroll, prepayments, print pay advice, RTI Processes and transmit BACS.

To ensure that jobs are completed by 18:00, and therefore the period of downtime is not unnecessarily delayed, there will be active management of related queues from 10:00 that may result in processes showing as ‘Inactive No Manager’. If a process must be run and complete before the downtime period commences, please raise an appropriate ‘Report an Issue’ P3 SR detailing the RequestID and reason for the request to be released so this can be reviewed and assessed.

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DATA AVAILABILITY IN ESR BI

Certain changes delivered in a particular release may impact the runtime for the first couple of NHS ESRBI Refresh processes. In such occurrences an anticipated schedule of data availability in ESR BI will be provided in User Notices before the downtime event.

FURTHER INFORMATION

All ESR downtime will result in eLearning, Portal, TRS, ESRBI and Data Warehouse unavailability.

NEXT UPDATE

The next Advance Notification of Downtime will be published in September 2020.