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# Health and Homelessness data linkage - project update

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# What we are linking

#### **Homelessness Data**

- Homelessness Data (HL1)
- Housing Options (PREVENT1)

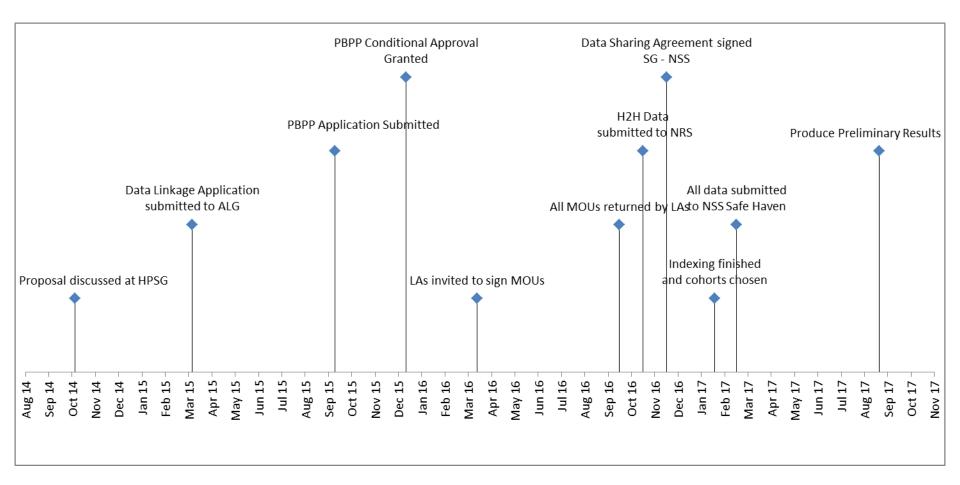
#### **Health Data**

- Accident and Emergency (A&E2)
- Inpatient and Day Cases (SMR01).
- Mental Health (SMR04).
- Outpatients (SMR00)
- PIS Prescribing Information
- The Scottish Drugs Misuse Database (SMR24 and SMR25a)
- NRS Deaths



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### Timescales





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## The Cohorts

- Around 600k homelessness applications, containing 560k unique people
- Matched cohorts contain c 1.7 million from 20% least deprived and 20% most deprived (taken from across Scotland and not within LA).
- Study covers just under 2.2 million people.



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# **Priorities**

- Analysis of Homelessness data only, rather than PREVENT1
- For each health dataset, how many times have homeless people accessed the service compared with the cohorts.
- How many homeless people have complex needs. What's the relationship between this and repeat homelessness
- Aiming for initial findings by end Summer 2017.



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