



Consumer Data Right On-boarding Guide: Feedback form

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Please contact me about my feedback	Yes - if you would like to discuss any aspect of this submission.

Feedback categories

Please provide your comments for each category outlined below.

#	Category	Comments
1.	Relevancy of the content to prospective Consumer Data Right (CDR) participants (hereafter participant)	
2.	Quality of the document's organisation in relation to its function (i.e. the structure)	Include the pre-requisite items from the 'Getting started checklist' (page 5) represented at the start of the process steps described on page 6.
3.	Appropriateness to the knowledge and skills of the participant	
4.	Clarity about what action is required from the participant	Provide additional comment on how to become 'registered' pre-step 1.
5.	Whether there are clear contact points and means of contact if support by the ACCC is required	The ABA recommends that the SLA for response times to the accc-CDR@accc.gov.au should be 1 business day and not the current 14 days as stated in the acknowledgment response from the ACCC.
6.	Extent to which the vocabulary is easily understood	
7.	Appropriateness of graphical elements (i.e. use of tables, charts etc.)	

Additional feedback

If you have any additional feedback, please provide it in the table below.

#	Section	Comment
1.	On-boarding steps Step 7: CTS	The ABA believes that this process flow will benefit from an additional step 'Testing'. The ABA recommends that testing stages which are aligned to those documented in the ACCC's 'Assurance Strategy Consumer Data Right' (28/8/19) should be implemented for all data holders. That strategy articulated a three-stage testing strategy (a) Internal participant testing (b) Industry testing and (c) Controlled golive.
		The ABA notes that the On-boarding does not refer to an industry testing stage. Additional to conformance testing, Industry End-to-End integration testing should be facilitated by the ACCC. Participants cannot undertake this testing. As the entity which is responsible for Accreditation and Registration of Participants the ACCC should either accredit providers to support the E2E testing or should facilitate it as per the referenced document.
2.	On-boarding steps Step 7: CTS	The conformance test suite is relatively limited and therefore the majority of responsibility for verifying compliance is retained with the Data holder, as noted in point 1 above, the Data Holder is not able to undertake E2E integration testing. This approach allows much scope in the depth and coverage of testing that may be executed by participants and could lead to instability in the ecosystem. A more prescriptive set of tests that must be executed and the need to provide proof of testing outcomes as part of on-boarding may improve the quality.
		Testing would benefit from the ACCC providing a "test" version of the registry which has production equivalent behaviours to allow this integration to be verified much earlier than when onboarding occurs. If the ACCC cannot provide a "test" version, it should accredit private providers to do so.
3.	On-boarding steps Step 7: CTS	The conformance test suite should be fixed to a given versions of the Standards for the period December through to 1 July 2021.
4.	On-boarding steps	Include expected timing for any ACCC steps in the process.
5.	Appendix B: Participant testing scope	Testing scope should be traced back to the Rules and the Standards only. The ACCC should specify a hierarchy of priority amongst the Rules and Standards for situations where the Rules and Standards are unaligned.
		Guidelines and issues logs should not be park of testing scope. Issues logs are not fixed in content and do not reflect the legal obligations of participants.
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Submitting feedback

Submit this feedback form to the ACCC via email: CDRTechnicalOperations@accc.gov.au by 5:00pm (AEDT) on 23 October 2020.

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