

Service description for application supplier

Kanta PHR

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1 Introduction

This service description concerns wellbeing application suppliers approved as users of the Kanta PHR service.

The service description for citizens using Kanta PHR (hereinafter the “user”) is published in [the wellbeing data](#) of the kanta.fi website.

2 Description of the service

Kanta PHR is a service provided within the Kanta Services. The controller of Kanta PHR is the Social Insurance Institution of Finland (hereinafter “Kela”).

Kanta PHR is a national data repository in which users can record their own wellbeing data. Wellbeing data means the user’s measurement, lifestyle and activity data that is directly or indirectly linked to their wellbeing and health promotion. The entered data may include, e.g. the results of blood pressure and blood glucose measurements, symptom assessments, health check-ups and self-care plans. The objective of Kanta PHR is to increase the citizens’ interest in promoting their own health and wellbeing and to speed up care processes.

Kanta PHR is used with wellbeing applications provided by approved third parties (hereinafter the “application supplier”). Wellbeing applications must meet the statutory requirements and pass the statutory certification process. [A list of the applications](#) available for using Kanta PHR is maintained by the Kanta Services on the kanta.fi website.

2.1 Wellbeing applications

A wellbeing application is a tool for entering and processing the user’s wellbeing data in Kanta PHR. The application may be, for example,

- an app used on a mobile device (smartphone, tablet),
- a server-based application used on a computer (e.g. symptom evaluation survey), which is completed in the web browser,
- a measurement device, e.g. blood glucose or activity meter, from which the data can be transferred into the Kanta PHR, e.g. with the wellbeing application provided by the equipment supplier,
- an integration service that gathers and saves wellbeing data from other linked devices and/or applications into Kanta PHR.

- a data-transmitting application that transmits data from Kanta PHR to linked devices and/or applications.
- another web-based software, service or computer program.

The wellbeing applications are very different from each other. One application may only enter data in Kanta PHR whereas another one may also process the data in Kanta PHR with the user's consent. Processing of wellbeing data means, for example, that the application retrieves the user's blood glucose data from the Kanta PHR and gives recommendations to the user on the basis of the data.

The user deploys the wellbeing application in accordance with the instructions provided by the application supplier. The application has its own terms of use and Kanta PHR has its own [information concerning the use of Kanta PHR](#).

The Kanta Services are not responsible for the wellbeing applications approved for Kanta PHR, for their functionalities or maintenance or for the accuracy of the data gathered by them. Provisions on the approval of wellbeing applications for their purpose of use are laid down in sections 6 and 7 of the Client Data Act and in regulation 6/2021 of the Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare concerning the matter.

3 Using the service

Kanta PHR is used with wellbeing applications. The user deploys Kanta PHR by granting the wellbeing application a user right to enter the user's personal wellbeing data in Kanta PHR and to process the wellbeing data in Kanta PHR. At the same time, the user accepts [the information concerning the use of Kanta PHR](#).

The user may use Kanta PHR with as many wellbeing applications approved for the Kanta Services as they wish. An up-to-date [list of the applications](#) available for using Kanta PHR is available on the kanta.fi website. All data entered in Kanta PHR by the user can be utilised by all the applications to which the user has granted user rights. In the deployment stage, the application will indicate the rights it will need in order to function properly.

The user right given to the application is valid until further notice. If the user does not use the application for one year, the user right will be requested again after a year. When an application is used on a regular basis, its user right will remain in force and it will not be verified annually.

The user may stop using Kanta PHR at any time. The user may remove the user rights they have granted to the wellbeing application and all the wellbeing data they have already entered in Kanta PHR either via the application or in My Kanta Pages. With respect to the removed data, the log data related to the use of data will remain in the system. The retention time of log data is 12 years from the creation of log data, after which the data will be destroyed.

When using the application for the first time, the user will log in with strong authentication (Suomi.fi identification). After that, the application is used without strong authentication.

The functionalities of the wellbeing application and the data to be entered depend on the application and its features. The user is personally responsible for entering their data in Kanta PHR and for the contents, use and removal of the wellbeing data they have entered in the service.

The criteria for processing personal data are described in [the privacy policies](#), which are available on the kanta.fi website.

3.1 Use of the service in My Kanta Pages The user can browse and delete their wellbeing data in Kanta PHR also via My Kanta Pages. In My Kanta Pages, the data is available under the heading of Wellbeing data. The data is shown to the user in the language it has been entered in. In My Kanta Pages, the user can also see all the applications they have granted user rights to Kanta PHR, and they can also remove the user rights they have granted.

4 Contents of the service for application suppliers

For application suppliers, the service includes:

- open national data content based on the FHIR standard in order to implement wellbeing applications that use Kanta PHR. The national data content is published in the [simplifier.net](#) service. The data content can be expanded in the way described on the kanta.fi website.
- Sandbox environments for independent testing of the wellbeing application
- joint testing and deployment of wellbeing applications
- option of using Kanta PHR and My Kanta Pages client testing environments as part of the joint testing of wellbeing applications

- Support of Kanta Services when having new data contents approved, in the certification process for wellbeing applications, and in production use
- data repository maintained by the Kanta Services for citizens' wellbeing data produced by wellbeing applications
- the possibility of utilising data entered in the service as a basis for developing wellbeing applications implemented by the application supplier.

5 Deployment of the service

The application supplier must have the applications approved in accordance with the certification process. The process is described on the kanta.fi website in the section "[Integrating an application with Kanta PHR](#)".

After certification, the application supplier must sign a commitment and accept the terms of supply of the service and the terms of use in accordance with this service description before the wellbeing application can be integrated with the Kanta PHR production environment and published in the Kanta PHR application list on the kanta.fi website.

More detailed descriptions for the deployment of different operators are available on the kanta.fi website.

6 Responsibilities and obligations

The rights, responsibilities and obligations of the application supplier and Kela are described in the separate document "Terms of supply for application suppliers".

The service description for citizens using the service and information concerning the use of Kanta PHR are separate from the service description for application suppliers and the terms of supply.

7 Terminating the use of the service

The application supplier may terminate their commitment and end the use of the service by submitting a notice of termination to Kela one (1) month in advance. Kela may provide separate instructions on procedures related to terminating the use of the service.

The termination of the use of the application supplier's service defined in this service description will not have an impact on the data entered in Kanta PHR nor on its availability. The

entered wellbeing data will remain in the service until the user has deleted it themselves. In accordance with the Client Data Act, Kela will delete the data five years after the person's death if the person has not deleted the data themselves. The retention time of log data is 12 years from the creation of log data, after which the data will be destroyed.

8 Contact details

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