

Data quality app – a hidden gem

Data Quality Academy On line

DQ app and some questions



- Have you seen this app?
- Have you used this app?
- Do ALL analytic users have access to this app?



Data Quality App - Learning Objectives



- Most common use of DQ App
- The value of validation rules
- How to translate VR into actual use
- Issues associated with DQ App

DHIS2 DQ App



Contains the following

- Validation rule Analysis
- Standard deviation Analysis
- Min-Max outlier Analysis
- Follow-up analysis



Validation rules



- Who is responsible?
- ☐ They are not important so it does not matter
- □ Nobody runs them any way, and if they run them, no one does anything anyway

Validation rules



☐ Who is responsible for **thinking** about them and then

defining them

- HMIS DHIS2 configuration expert
- Program manager
- District Information Officer

Who is responsible for running them

- Data Entry clerk
- Program manager
- FIO/DIO or higher level

Understanding the Logic of Validation Rules his2



- A method to assess the quality of data entered in DHIS2
- Based on a set of predefined rules set for the data

 This does NOT allow you to FULLY assess whether or not reported numbers are completely accurate

Validation rules - how to define



- An expression that defines a relationship between a number of data elements
- Expression has Left side, Right side and an Operator
- Common operators used
 - less than or equal to <=
 - equal to ==
 - greater than or equal to >=
- Validation Rules are created based on what you know to be true e.g. 'Malaria RDT tested' CANNOT be more than 'Malaria RDT positive'
- For instructions on how to set up a validation rule look at the DHIS2 manual

Validation rules



- Some simple guides to VR
 - Validation rules are assigned to groups
 - Easy to use and understand
 - Signs like <= or == or >= does everybody understand them
 - Use of Importance field (Low/Medium/High)
 - Consistent guide to setup, i.e. always have smaller number first
- These SHOULD be run after data entry before the Complete button is ticked
- Validation rules should be run after most/all monthly data has been captured
- Who is responsible for this (F/DIO, Program manager?)
- Is there an SOP to guide the process of running these rules and then taking

Validation rules - and then?



- How to run validation rules
 - Select OrgUnit
 - Select time period
 - Select Validation rule group
 - Click Validate
- Gives a report which can be downloaded into different formats

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Validation rule Output



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Organisation Unit	Period	Importance	Validation Rule	Value	Operator	Value	Details
Beetle Health	March 2020	MEDIUM		136.00	==	133.00	0
Beetle Health	March 2020	MEDIUM		30.00	==	32.00	0
Beetle Health	March 2020	MEDIUM		0.00	>=	11.00	₽ De

VALIDATIONS RESULT DETAILS						
VALIDATION RULE Name Description	RMNCAH Child 5-9 with acute respiratory illness (ARI)>= child 5-9 with pneumonia	4				
LEFT SIDE						
DATA ELEMENT RMNCAH - Child with sy	vmptoms of acute respiratory illness (ARI) 5-9 years	E -				
RIGHT SIDE						
DATA ELEMENT	VALU	_				
RMNCAH - Child diagno	sed with pneumonia 5-9 years 11.0	0				

Validation rules - output



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Data Qua	lity Rep	ort					
			Left side				Right side
Source	Period	Validation rule	description	Value	Operator	Value	description
Afghan Dispensary	March 2020		Received uterotonic	67	<=	0	Delivery in facility (age)
Afghan Dispensary		(by age and sex) = Total Contraception	Contraception first time user (by age and sex)	18	==	0	Contraception first time user by method
Alsatian Primary		RMNCAH Total deliveries <= Live births + still births	Delivery in facility	197	<=	196	Sum of live births and still births

- Sort according to OrgUnits
- Give to supervisors/program managers for action

Data Quality App - the rest...



- Standard deviation Analysis now mainly WHO DQ Tool is used
- Min-Max outlier Analysis used if Min/Max values have been set
 - If not set first before running Min-Max outlier analysis
 - See next presentation
- Follow-up analysis
 - Used to mark data that is correct but does not fit the pattern, or triggers a validation
 rule

Marked for follow-up



- Mark problematic data for follow up
- Highlight star
- SAVE (done at Data Entry)
- Useful to explain when a validation rule has been triggered
- Report can be run on Follow-up stars



Discussion



- What are the barriers to running Validation Rules
- Have most possible validation rules been set
- Do validation rules pick up all the data mistakes
- When obvious data entry errors are identified, why are they not corrected
- Who is responsible for chasing up the data entry errors
- What happens when they are not corrected

Exercises

Access to own country DHIS2 OR DEMO database for this training

- Confirm access to Data Quality App in MOH DHIS2
- Obtain list of all Validation rules and VR Groups
- Review all Validation rules
- Review for consistency (smaller value first)
- Run at least 2 VR Groups for last 6 months
- Write a short report on rules violated
- Consider an action plan
- Do some rules need to be re-written to make them easier to understand
 - Are some rules triggered consistently
 - Is the problem with the data quality or the rule?
- Think of 1 rule to add to the current list