

# i2b2 Documentation

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# Quick Start - Demo install Guide

This guide provides step-by-step instructions for installing i2b2 using Docker. It is intended for users setting up a fresh i2b2 instance.

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## - Prerequisites

Ensure that your system meets the following requirements before proceeding with the installation.

### Operating System

- **Ubuntu** (Recommended)
- **Windows**

### Software Requirements

- **Git**
  - **Docker**
  - **Docker Compose**
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## - Installation Instructions

### Step 1: Clone the Repository

Open a terminal and execute the following command:

```
git clone https://github.com/i2b2/i2b2-docker.git
```

### Step 2: Navigate to the Repository Directory

```
cd i2b2-docker/
```

### Step 3: Start the i2b2 Containers

Change to the pg directory and start the containers using Docker Compose:

```
cd pg  
docker-compose up -d i2b2-webclient
```

This command starts the **Postgres Database**, **Webclient**, and **Core Server** containers in detached mode.

### Step 4: Wait for Initialization

Allow a few moments for the containers to initialize and for **Core Server** to start completely.

### Step 5: Access the i2b2 Webclient Application

Ensure port **80** is forwarded then Open your preferred web browser and navigate to:

```
http://localhost/webclient
```

## Step 6: Log In to the Application

Use the default credentials:

- **Username:** demo
  - **Password:** demouser
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## - Troubleshooting Guide

### Verify Running Containers

Check whether all necessary containers (**Webclient, Core Server, Postgres**) are running:

```
docker ps
```

### View Container Logs

To inspect logs for debugging, run:

```
docker logs -f <container_name>
```

### Stop All Running Containers

```
docker-compose stop
```

### Start All Stopped Containers

```
docker-compose start
```

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## - Fresh Installation

If you need to perform a **clean installation**, follow these steps:

### Step 1: Remove All Containers and Volumes

⚠ *This will delete all existing Docker containers and volumes.*

```
docker rm -f $(docker ps -a -q)
docker volume rm $(docker volume ls -q)
```

### Step 2: Recreate and Start the Containers

```
cd i2b2-docker/pg
docker-compose up -d
```

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This completes the setup and installation of i2b2 using Docker. If you encounter any issues, refer to the troubleshooting guide above.

# i2b2 Production Deployment Guide

This guide provides step-by-step instructions for deploying i2b2 in a production environment using Docker, connected to a PostgreSQL database on a remote production server.

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## - 1. Setting up Subnets in the Cloud

Ensure appropriate cloud subnets and security groups are configured to allow communication between the application containers and the production PostgreSQL database. Follow your cloud provider's documentation to:

- Create private and public subnets
  - Configure routing tables
  - Set up security groups to allow traffic on necessary ports (e.g., PostgreSQL default 5432, i2b2 web client port)
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## - 2. Setting up PostgreSQL Database

Refer to the official i2b2 Data Installation Guide to prepare the PostgreSQL database schemas and users:

[i2b2 Data Installation Guide](#)

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## - 3. Deploying i2b2 Client Containers and Connecting to the Production Database

This section details how to deploy the i2b2 web client and Core Server using Docker, and connect them to the pre-configured PostgreSQL production database.

### Step 1: Clone the i2b2 Docker Repository

```
git clone https://github.com/i2b2/i2b2-docker.git
```

### Step 2: Navigate into the Cloned Directory

```
cd i2b2-docker
```

### Step 3: Checkout the Production Configuration Branch

```
git checkout release-v1.8.1a.0001_prod_db
```

### Step 4: Configure the Environment Variables

Edit the `.env` file and update the following fields with your production database configuration:

- DB\_HOST
- DB\_PORT
- DB\_USERNAME
- DB\_PASSWORD
- DB\_NAME
- DB\_SCHEMA\_NAME

### Step 5: Start the Web Client and Core Server Containers

```
docker-compose up -d i2b2-webclient
```

### Step 6: Verify Deployment

Check container logs to verify successful startup:

```
docker-compose logs i2b2-core-server
```

Then access the i2b2 web client using the production URL and port.

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## - 4. Custom Configuration

### Update Database Lookup Tables in i2b2hive

Run the following SQL statements to map the i2b2 services to correct schemas:

```
UPDATE crc_db_lookup SET c_db_fullschema = 'i2b2demodata';
UPDATE work_db_lookup SET c_db_fullschema = 'i2b2workdata';
UPDATE ont_db_lookup SET c_db_fullschema = 'i2b2metadata';
```

### Update Core Server URL in the Database

In the PM schema, update the PM\_CELL\_DATA table to reflect the production server URL.

Replace any instance of:

```
http://localhost:9090/
```

With:

```
http://$I2B2_CORE_SERVER_HOST:$I2B2_CORE_SERVER_PORT/
```

Refer to this SQL file for examples:

[pm\\_access\\_insert\\_data.sql](#)

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### Update the Web Client Configuration

Access the running web client container and modify the configuration files:

```
docker exec -it i2b2-webclient bash
cd /var/www/html/webclient/
```

#### 1. Edit i2b2\_config\_domains.json

```
vi i2b2_config_domains.json
```

Update:

- "urlProxy": Replace "/~proxy" with "proxy.php"
- "urlCellPM": Replace default URL with  
"http://\$I2B2\_CORE\_SERVER\_HOST:\$I2B2\_CORE\_SERVER\_PORT/i2b2/services/PMService/"

#### 2. Update proxy.php

```
vi proxy.php
```

Whitelist URL:

replace this URL `http://services.i2b2.org/i2b2/services/PMService/` with following

```
http://$I2B2_CORE_SERVER_HOST:$I2B2_CORE_SERVER_PORT/i2b2/services/PMService/
```

Example for quick-start:

```
http://i2b2-wildfly:8080/i2b2/services/PMService/
```

Replace 127.0.0.1:8080 with \$I2B2\_CORE\_SERVER\_HOST:\$I2B2\_CORE\_SERVER\_PORT

### 3. Update Proxy Configuration in-place

```
sed -i 's#127.0.0.1:8080/#$I2B2_CORE_SERVER_HOST:$I2B2_CORE_SERVER_PORT/#g'
proxy.php
sed -i
's#http://services.i2b2.org#http://$I2B2_CORE_SERVER_HOST:$I2B2_CORE_SERVER_PORT#
proxy.php
```

This will update the ProxyPass and ProxyPassReverse.

Now restart the apache2 service

```
docker exec -it i2b2-webclient bash -c "service apache2 restart"
```

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### Deployment Complete

You have successfully deployed i2b2 in a production environment. For any troubleshooting, consult the container logs and official documentation.

# i2b2 Upgrade Guide

This guide provides the recommended procedures for upgrading your i2b2 instance to a newer version.

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## - Step 1: Navigate to the i2b2-docker Directory

Ensure you are in the correct directory before starting the upgrade:

```
cd i2b2-docker
```

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## - Step 2: Checkout the New Release Branch

Ensure you are checking out the correct branch based on your installation type.

### Options:

- **Localhost deployment** tag = - **Production/Remote database deployment**  
tag = `_production`

Execute the following commands:

```
git checkout <new_release_tag>  
git pull
```

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## - Step 3: Stop Running Containers

Before pulling the latest updates, stop all running containers:

```
docker-compose down
```

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## - Step 4: Pull the Latest Images

Fetch the latest updates from the repository:

```
docker-compose pull
```

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## - Step 5: Start the Updated Containers

Restart the i2b2 Webclient and Core Server containers:

```
docker-compose up -d i2b2-webclient
```

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## - Step 6: Wait for Initialization

Allow a few moments for the containers to initialize and for **Core Server** to start completely.

For troubleshooting, refer to the Troubleshooting Guide on Quick Start page.

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This completes the upgrade process for i2b2. If you encounter issues, check the logs or refer to the official i2b2 documentation.



## **i2b2 Administration Module Guide**

The official documentation for the **i2b2 Administration Module** is available in the following PDF:

[Download i2b2 Admin Help Documentation \(May 2024\)](#)

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For further details, refer to the **i2b2 Community Wiki**.