

## **RCSLT Online Outcome Tool – Benchmarking Guide for DLD**

You may have seen our posts on [X](#) and [Instagram](#) about outcomes for DLD and language difficulties. These were obtained by interrogating the ROOT data for information about children and young people (CYP) on TOM scale 6 - Developmental Language Disorder (formerly Child Language Impairment).

We've put together this quick guide to finding your service statistic for **the percentage of CYP on the DLD scale who improved in one or more domains of the TOM**. You can then compare your own service to what we found across the 28 providers using ROOT with data relating to DLD.

You can also use different report filters and widgets to look at some of the other information, such as gender and age distribution.

For further help with analysing your ROOT data, watch our [training videos](#) or get in touch [root@rcslt.org](mailto:root@rcslt.org).

Step 1: Go to the Report viewer and choose report R04

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## Report Viewer

Welcome to the new ROOT Report Viewer! We're keen to get your thoughts on this new panel - please share your feedback by contacting [root@rcslt.org](mailto:root@rcslt.org) or by using the yellow 'Leave Feedback' button at the bottom of this page.

If you want to go back to the old-style viewer, this is still available [here](#), but will no longer be supported.


General Reports (standard scales)

Comparison Reports (standard scales)

AAC & VPD General Reports

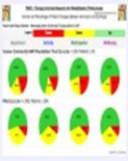
AAC & VPD Comparison Reports

### R01 Change in individual TOMs domains (bar-chart)




This bar chart and table provide information on the proportions of individuals showing improvement (green), staying the same (yellow) or reducing their scores (red) across individual domains, between two TOMs ratings.

### R02 Change in individual TOMs domains (pie chart)




This pie chart provides information on the proportions of individuals showing improvement (green), staying the same (yellow) or reducing their scores (red) across individual domains, between two TOMs ratings.

### R03 Change across multiple TOMs domains



This table shows information on the proportions of individuals showing improvement, staying the same or reduced scores across different numbers of domains. The information is also presented in a bar chart.

### R04 Change across multiple TOMs domains (compound report)



This table shows information on the proportions of individuals showing improvement, staying the same or reduced scores across different numbers of domains. The information is also presented in a bar chart. The number of domains is compounded e.g. "in two domains or more".

Step 2: Filter by TOM scale 6, click 'Save' and then 'View Report'

Choose 'all' to report on any episode with two or more ratings (open and completed).

## TOMs Scales

The AAC and VPD scales will not appear in this list because they require specific reports. Please click 'change report' above and choose the AAC & VPD tab.

Select All

- 6 - Developmental Language Disorder / Difficulties (formerly Child Language Impairment)
- 7 - Challenging Behaviour and Forensic Mental Health
- 23 - Dysfluency
- 24 - Dysphagia
- 33 - Learning Disability - Communication
- 40 - Phonological Disorder
- 50 - Paediatric Dysphagia
- 51 - Selective Mutism
- 53 - Parent-Infant Responsiveness
- 55 - Oral Aversion

Save Cancel

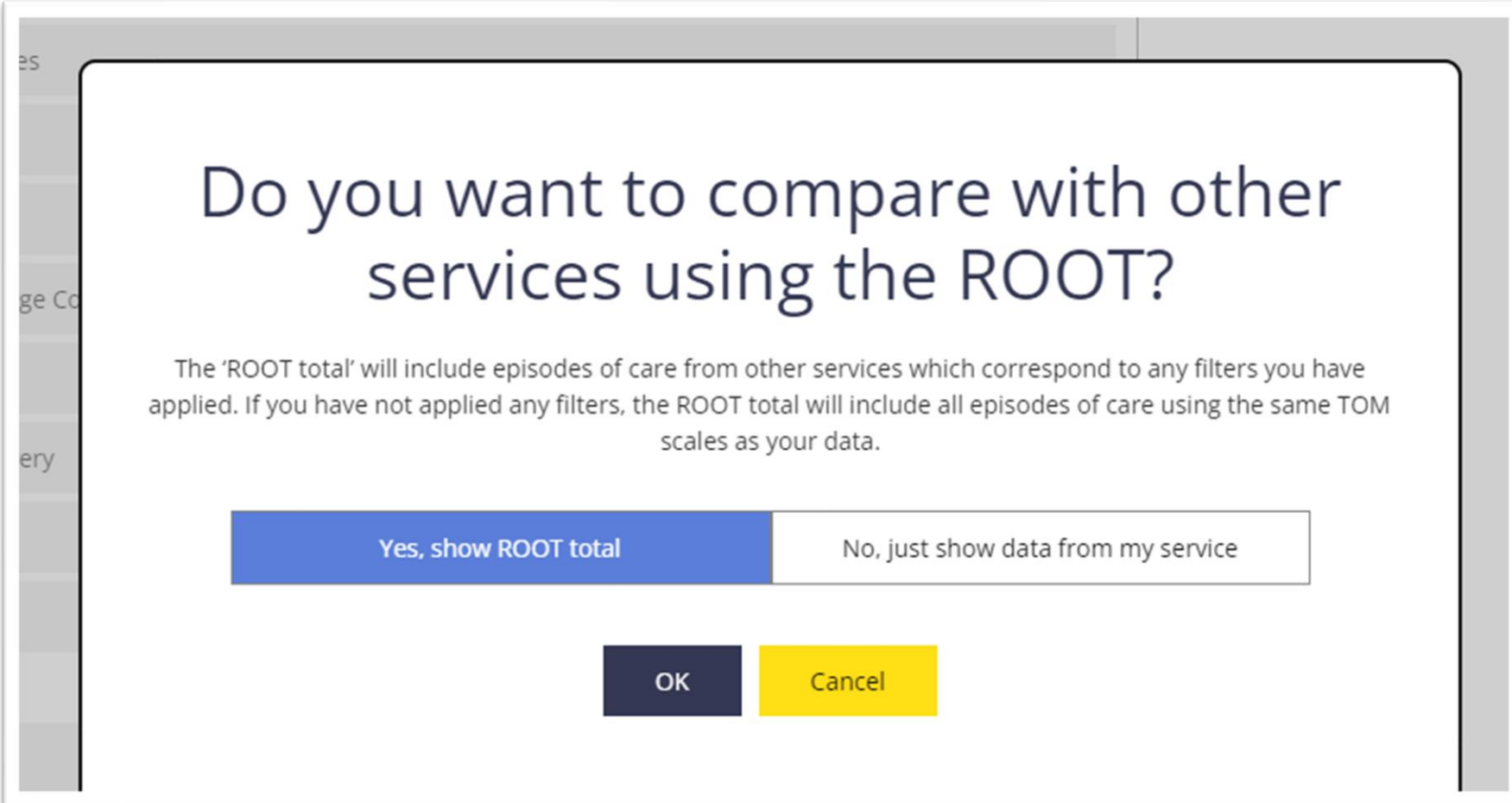
**Basic Filters**

- Date
- TOMs Scales**
- Primary Communication and
- Primary Medical Diagnosis

**Advanced Filters**

- Initial Impairment Scores
- Patient Gender
- Patient Age
- End of Episode/Discharge Co
- Direction of care
- Method of service delivery
- Interpreter required?
- Language(s)

Step 3: Choose 'Yes' when this pop-up appears



Do you want to compare with other services using the ROOT?

The 'ROOT total' will include episodes of care from other services which correspond to any filters you have applied. If you have not applied any filters, the ROOT total will include all episodes of care using the same TOM scales as your data.

Yes, show ROOT total      No, just show data from my service

OK      Cancel

Step 4: Find the statistic for your service of the number of episodes of care that resulted in a clinically significant increase in one or more domains. You'll also see the comparison percentage for the whole ROOT database, highlighted in green here (74%, as quoted in the social media statistics)

