

Subject(s):	<i>Redundant Data Items</i>
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Reason for Change

There are a number of items in the current list of data items in the NHS Wales Data Dictionary that are not listed as being part of any existing data set. This is because those items are either retired, are not proper data items or are synonyms of pre-existing data items. These items are further described as redundant data items.

A summary of the changes is listed below

- All data items that are not proper data items and cannot be moved to either the 'synonyms' or 'terms' section will be deleted altogether. They have no value to the user and information may also be duplicated elsewhere.
- Those data items that are now retired will be moved to the section 'Retired Data Items (A-Z)'
- The 'synonyms' section will contain all those data items which have equivalent meanings in pre existing data items. For example, 'Admission Date' and 'Date of Admission' are synonyms for the actual data item 'Start Date of Provider Spell'. 'Date

of Attendance' is a synonym for the actual data item 'Attendance Date'. These have been retained as synonyms for those users who refer to them or search for them in this way.

- Data items such as 'Organisation Code' and 'GP Code' will become Terms. These are not data items but rather contain supporting information on relevant data items. 'GP Code' supports data items such as 'General Medical Practitioner (Registered)' and 'Referrer Code' whilst 'Organisation Code' supports data items such as 'Code of Registered GP Practice' and 'Site Code (of Treatment)'. 'Dental Practice Code' is not a data item but rather provides supporting information to the use of this code as, for example, a Referring Organisation.

Description of Change

This DDCN describes the deletion of these redundant data items or their relocation to other areas of the Data Dictionary, namely the 'Terms', 'Retired Data Items' or 'Synonyms' sections.

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Section1: Table reflecting areas that are impacted as a result of this DDCN

The following table shows all applicable data sets, data items, terms and other associated areas that are linked with the changes documented within this DDCN.

Each data definition type is listed in alphabetical order and is shown in the sequence in which it appears in this DDCN.

Data Definition Type	Name	New / Retired / Changed /
Data Item	Admission Date	Changed
Data Item	Category of Patient	Retired
Data Item	Consultant Specialty Function Code (Retired 15 th May 2006)	Retired
Data Item	Clinical Handover Date	Retired
Data Item	Clinical Handover Time	Retired
Data Item	Date	Changed
Data Item	Date Format	Deleted
Data Item	Date of Admission	Changed
Data Item	Date of Attendance	Changed
Data Item	Date of Birth	Changed
Data Item	Decided to Admit Date (Retired 31 st March 2006)	Retired
Data Item	Decided to Admit Date Status (Retired 31 st March 2006)	Retired
Data Item	Dental Practice Code	Changed
Data Item	Diagnosis (ICD 10)	Changed
Data Item	Diagnosis Related Group (DRG)	Retired
Data Item	Duration Format	Deleted
Data Item	First Attendance	Retired
Data Item	Follow Up DNAs	Retired (qs1)
Data Item	GDP Registration Number	Changed
Data Item	GDC Registration Number	Changed
Data Item	GMC Registration Number	Changed
Data Item	GP Code	Changed
Data Item	GP Code (Referring)	Deleted
Data Item	GP Code (Registered)	Deleted
Data Item	GP Practice Code	Changed
Data Item	GP Practice Cluster Code	Changed
Data Item	HA Code of Residence (Retired 1 st April 2003)	Retired
Data Item	Hospital Classification Categories	Retired
Data Item	Method Of -----	Deleted
Data Item	Name	Deleted
Data Item	NHS Trust Code	Deleted
Data Item	Number Of -----	Deleted
Data Item	Number of Registerable Births (Retired 30 th April 1998)	Retired

Data Item	Organisation Code	Changed
Data Item	Organisation Code (Code of Purchaser) (Retired 20 th January 2002)	Retired
Data Item	Postcode	Deleted
Data Item	Principal -----	Deleted
Data Item	Purchaser Code (Retired 30 th April 1998)	Retired
Data Item	Referring GP Code	Deleted
Data Item	Secondary -----	Deleted
Data Item	Source Of -----	Deleted
Data Item	Specialty Function Code (Retired 15 th May 2006)	Retired
Data Item	Specialty/Specialty of Treatment Code	Deleted
Data Item	Start Date -----	Deleted
Data Item	Time Band Relating to Breach Date	Retired
Data Item	Usual Address	Deleted

Note: Given the content of this DDCN page numbers have been excluded from the above table

Section 2: Highlighted changes to be made to the NHS Wales Data Dictionary

Changes to the NHS Wales Data Dictionary are detailed below, with new text being highlighted in **blue** and deletions are shown with a ~~strikethrough~~. The text shaded in **grey** shows existing text copied from the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

Changes to Data Items (A-Z)

The following data items will be deleted from the NHS Wales Data Dictionary

Date
Date Format
Duration Format
Follow Up DNAs
GP Code (Referring)
GP Code (Registered)
Method Of-----
Name
NHS Trust Code
Number Of-----
Postcode
Principal-----
Referring GP Code
Secondary-----
Source Of-----
Specialty/Specialty of Treatment Code
Start Date-----
Usual Address

The following Data Items are retired and will be moved to the section 'Retired Data Items (A-Z)' in the NHS Wales Data Dictionary

Category of Patient

Consultant Specialty Function Code (Retired 15th May 2006)

Clinical Handover Date

Clinical Handover Time

Decided to Admit Date (Retired 31st March 2006)

Decided to Admit Date Status (Retired 31st March 2006)

Diagnosis Related Group (DRG)

First Attendance

HA Code of Residence (Retired 1st April 2003)

Hospital Classification Categories

Number of Registerable Births (Retired 30th April 1998)

Organisation Code (Code of Purchaser) (Retired 20th January 2002)

Purchaser Code (Retired 30th April 1998)

Specialty Function Code (Retired 15th May 2006)

Time Band Relating to Breach Date

The following Data Items are synonyms for other data items and will be moved to a NEW section 'Synonyms (A-Z)' in the NHS Wales Data Dictionary

Admission Date:

The date a patient is admitted to hospital. This equals the beginning of the hospital provider spell which is current at the time of the census.

Format: 8 digit numeric, DDMMCCYY

See [Date Format](#)

See [Start Date of Provider Spell](#)

Date of Attendance:

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
OP ds	1st April 1999	-

For information

See [ATTENDANCE DATE](#)

Date of Admission

Date of Birth

Diagnosis (ICD10)

GP Practice Code

The following Data Items are more appropriate as Terms and will be moved to the section 'Terms (A-Z)' in the NHS Wales Data Dictionary

- Dental Practice Code
- GDP Registration Number
- GDC Registration Number
- GMC Registration Number

GP Code

Change History	
DDCN 2013 / 10	Redundant Data Items
DSCN 2012 / 05	GP Practice Code
DSCN 2009 / 09	NHS Reforms: NHS Wales Data Definition Update
DSCN (2006) 04 (W)	Revised definitions for Phase 2 of the Outpatient Data Quality Project
DSCN 13/04 (W)	To amend the All Wales Data Dictionary entry for the data term 'GP Code'

For information

This is the Department of Health code for the GP.
Format: 8 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning
GNNNNNNN	A code issued by the Department of Health (DH) for practising GP's in Wales and England. The codes can be viewed on the Health Reference Data Web Pages on HOWIS.
G9999981	No registered GP

Note 1: MOD and prison doctors are not GMPs and should not be recorded as Registered GMPs. In this instance use the default code of 'G9999981' is to be used.

Note 2: When a locum refers, use the code of the GP for whom the locum is acting.

Structure

Each GP code begins with the letter G.
The 2nd to 7th characters are the DH Index Number. Index Numbers and addresses are issued quarterly by the Prescription Pricing Authority (PPA). The eighth character is a check digit calculated thus:

First numeric character
 + 3 x second character
 + 7 x third character
 + 1 x fourth character

+ 3 x fifth character
+ 7 x sixth character

The check digit is then the unit digit (last digit) of the result of this calculation.

e.g. PPA code 334512. Check digit is computed by:

$$3 + (3 \times 3) + (7 \times 4) + 5 + (3 \times 1) + (7 \times 2) = 62$$

The check digit is 2 and the full code G3345122.

GP Practice Cluster Code

Organisation Code

Changes to Live Data Items (A-Z)

General Medical Practitioner (Antenatal Care)

Change History	
DDCN 2013 / 10	Redundant Data Items
DDCN 2012 / 06	To remove all references to 'Health Solutions Wales', 'Business Services Centre' and 'Information Products Unit' and replace with 'NHS Wales Informatics Service'

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 st April 1999	

This is the code of the GP responsible for the antenatal care of the patient.

Format: 8 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning
GNNNNNNN	A code issued by the Department of Health (DH) for practising GP's in Wales and England. The codes are available from the NHS Wales Informatics Service or via the Intranet service HOWIS.
G9999981	No registered GP

Note 1: MOD and prison doctors are not GMPs and should not be recorded as Registered GMPs. In this instance use the default code of G9999981' is to be used.

Note 2: When a locum refers, use the code of the GP for whom the locum is acting.

See [GP Code \(Antenatal Care\)](#)

General Medical Practitioner (Registered)

Change History	
DDCN 2013 / 10	Redundant Data Items
DSCN 2012 / 05	GP Practice Code

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 st April 1999	
EAL ds	1 st April 1999	
OP ds	1 st April 1999	

This is the code of the GMP with whom the patient is registered.

Format: 8 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning
GNNNNNNN	A code issued by the Department of Health (DH) for practising GP's in Wales and England. The codes can be viewed on the Health Reference Data Web Pages on HOWIS.
G9999981	No registered GP

Note 1: MOD and prison doctors are not GMPs and should not be recorded as Registered GMPs. In this instance use the default code of G9999981' is to be used.

Note 2: When a locum refers, use the code of the GP for whom the locum is acting.

See [GP Code](#)

See [GP Code \(Referring\)](#)

See [GP Code \(Registered\)](#)

See [Referrer Code](#)

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You can find changes made to the NHS Wales Informatics Service Data Dictionary via the following link: <http://www.datadictionary.wales.nhs.uk/>