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	Implementation date: Immediately

Summary of change:

This DSCN introduces date ranges for all values associated with the data items submitted within the Admitted Patient Care data set.

These changes will be applied in version 2.20 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

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- Reference:** WIGSB IGRN 2008/019
- Subject:** The introduction of valid period date ranges for data items within the Admitted Patient Care data set.
- Reason for Change:** To assist NHS Trusts in Wales with the submission of valid codes.
- Implementation Date:** Immediately

Background:

The Data Quality Improvement Project (DQIP) was initiated within the Corporate Health Information Programme (CHIP) in March 2007 following the approval of the Data Quality Accountability Framework¹ by the CHIP Board in September 2006. It set out seven guiding principles that should be followed. These are:

- Data providers are responsible for their data quality;
- Any 'cleansing' required is only undertaken when the data provider has signed off the process that their data will be subjected to, thereby retaining accountability for data quality;
- All patient-level data sets will have a set of data quality standards agreed which will then be used for reporting purposes;
- These data quality standards will be based on the Data Accreditation standards, where available, otherwise they will be developed in consultation with the service;
- Aggregate data sets will be reviewed to determine where data quality checks could be developed;
- Health Solutions Wales (HSW) will publish data quality reports based on these standards on a regular basis, which will be easily accessed via the Health of Wales Information Service (HOWIS);
- Procedures for ensuring the accuracy of data will be developed through discussion with the Wales Audit Office (WAO) and Welsh Risk Pool (WRP).

The DQIP aims to establish firmly these principles with the intention of securing long-term improvements in data quality, acknowledging that all those with a role in defining information requirements, collecting, processing and analysing data have a role in data quality.

As part of the initial phase of the DQIP, a range of data validity standards were developed for the Admitted Patient Care (APC) data set. During the implementation of the standards and the associated monitoring mechanisms required to support them, it became apparent that the

¹ Data Quality Accountability Framework (2006). Corporate Health Information Programme.

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Validation Dictionary², the NHS Wales Data Dictionary, reference data³ and Code Mapper⁴ required updating to ensure compliance with the Data Validity Standards, mandated via WHC (2008) 007 effective 1st April 2008.

A series of analyses was undertaken to establish which codes were being submitted within the APC data set and this highlighted the use of codes that were no longer valid across Welsh NHS Trusts. On detailed examination of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary, it was noted that historical code changes made in the past were not reflected in the dictionary. Following consultation with the service, it was recommended that these changes be reflected in future releases of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary. This will ensure that the NHS Wales Data Dictionary comprehensively outlines all the code values and their valid to/from dates in order to assist NHS Trusts in their provision of valid APC data.

The Validation dictionary, Code Mapper categories and reference data have already been updated and this document highlights the changes required in the NHS Wales Data Dictionary. The historic codes for all data items used within the APC data set have been checked back to Version 1.1 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary, with all codes valid before this version being highlighted as pre 28th December 1995.

Actions Required:

Trusts are required to ensure that the data items they submit for APC are valid.

² Validation Dictionary is a data base tool used to store all Structured Query Language (SQL) scripts, comments and descriptions for the Load and Validation at Source (VAS) checks linked to all submitted data sets.

³ Reference Data is the listing of all individual person codes and their linking organisation codes along with addresses and postcodes.

⁴ Code Mapper is a subset of reference data and is a data base tool used to map values and their date ranges to existing data items within specified data sets.

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Changes to be applied to the NHS Wales Data Dictionary:

Table reflecting areas that are impacted as a result of this DSCN can be found in Appendix A.

Changes to be made to the NHS Wales Data Dictionary are highlighted in Appendix B.

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Appendix A: Table reflecting areas that are impacted as a result of this DSCN.

The following table shows all Data Items affected by the inclusion of the date ranges.

<u>Administrative Category</u>	<u>Discharge Method</u>	<u>Number of Babies</u>
<u>Admission Method</u>	<u>Duration of Elective Wait</u>	<u>Operation Status</u>
<u>Anaesthetic given during labour/delivery</u>	<u>End Date Status</u>	<u>Patient Classification</u>
<u>Anaesthetic given post labour/delivery</u>	<u>Episode Number</u>	<u>Pregnancy : Total Previous Pregnancies</u>
<u>Birth Date</u>	<u>Ethnic Group</u>	<u>Procedure Date Status</u>
<u>Birth Date Status</u>	<u>First Antenatal Assessment Date Status</u>	<u>Psychiatric Patient Status</u>
<u>Birth Date Status (mother)</u>	<u>First Regular Day or Night Admission</u>	<u>Record Id</u>
<u>Birth Order</u>	<u>Gestation Length</u>	<u>Record Type</u>
<u>Birth Weight</u>	<u>Intended Management</u>	<u>Referrer Code</u>
<u>Code of Commissioner</u>	<u>Labour / Delivery Onset Method</u>	<u>Referring Organisation Code</u>
<u>Commissioner's Reference Number</u>	<u>Last Episode in Spell Indicator</u>	<u>Resuscitation Method</u>
<u>Consultant Code</u>	<u>Legal Status</u>	<u>Sex</u>
<u>Decision to Admit Date Status</u>	<u>Live or Still Birth</u>	<u>Site Code (of treatment)</u>
<u>Delivery Method</u>	<u>Local Sub Specialty</u>	<u>Source of Admission</u>
<u>Delivery Place Change Reason</u>	<u>Marital Status</u>	<u>Source of Histological Diagnosis</u>
<u>Delivery Place Type</u>	<u>Name Format Code</u>	<u>Status of Person Conducting Delivery</u>
<u>Discharge Date Status</u>	<u>Neonatal Level of Care</u>	<u>Waiting List Date Status</u>
<u>Discharge Destination</u>	<u>NHS Number Status Indicator</u>	<u>Ward Type at Start of Episode</u>

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Appendix B: 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 ~~striketrough~~. The text shaded in **grey** shows existing text copied from the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

Changes to the NHS Wales Data Dictionary introduction:

Introduction

- Finding your way around

- Data items A – Z

Data Items A-Z

This contains an alphabetical list of data items from the various returns and information systems of the NHS. Each entry lists all codes applicable to the data item, including valid from and valid to dates. Where a code has the valid from date of 'pre 28th December 1995', this denotes the code was valid before the release of version 1.1 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary. ~~but with little explanation of the terms.~~ See Terms A-Z for a list of terms with their definitions related to the data items in this section.

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Changes to the NHS Wales Data Dictionary Data Items

Administrative Category

Change History	
DSCN (2006) 04 (W)	Revised definitions for Phase 2 of the Outpatient Data Quality Project

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ OP mds/ CC mds)

This is to indicate whether the patient is treated as an NHS, private or amenity patient etc.

This data item became effective in April 1999 and together with the data item **Legal Status**, replaced the data item **Category of Patient**.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
01	NHS Patient, including overseas visitors charged under Section 121 of the NHS Act 1977 as amended by Section 7(12) and (14) of the Health and Medicine Act 1988	1st April 1999	
02	Private Patient, one who uses accommodation or services authorised under Section 65 and/or 66 of the NHS Act 1977 (Section 7(10) of Health and Medicine Act 1988 refers) as amended by Section 26 of the National Health Service and Community Care Act 1990	1st April 1999	
03	Amenity Patient, one who pays for the use of a single room or small ward in accord with Section 12 of the NHS Act 1977, as amended by Section 7(12) and (14) of the Health and Medicine Act 1988	1st April 1999	
04	Category II patient (for diagnostic requests only)	1st April 1999	

Notes: For Overseas visitors, if a reciprocal agreement is in place they can be classified as an NHS Patient (01). If no reciprocal agreement is in place the patient must pay for treatment and be classified as a Private Patient (02).

This is an extract from the data item 'Administrative category'

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Admission Method

Change History	
DSCN 04/01 (W)	Data Standards: Minor Changes and Corrections
DSCN 38/01 (W)	Subject: The addition of new codes in Method of Admission, Referrer Code and Referring Organisation for emergency patients via the NHS direct service
DSCN 38/01 (W) Amdt	Subject: The addition of new codes in Method of Admission, Referrer Code and Referring Organisation for emergency patients admitted via the NHS direct service
DSCN (2006) 03 (W)	Recording and Reporting of the 2 nd Offer Scheme

(APC ds99)

The method of admission to a hospital provider spell. A detailed definition of elective admission is given in [Terms \(A-Z\) – Admission Method](#).

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
Elective	(Not including transfer from other hospital provider, when the decision to admit could be separated in time from the actual admission)		
11	Waiting list	Pre 28th December 1995	
12	Booked	Pre 28th December 1995	
13	Planned	Pre 28th December 1995	
14	Activity under the Welsh Assembly Government 2nd Offer Scheme (Originating Provider)	1st April 2006	
15	Activity under the Welsh Assembly Government 2nd Offer Scheme (Receiving Provider)	1st April 2006	
Emergency			
21	A & E or dental casualty department of the health care provider	Pre 28th December 1995	
22	GP: after a request for immediate admission has been made direct to a hospital provider (i.e. not through a Bed Bureau) by a General Practitioner or deputy	Pre 28th December 1995	
23	Bed bureau	Pre 28th December 1995	
24	Consultant clinic of this or another health care provider	Pre 28th December 1995	

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25	Domiciliary visit by Consultant	Pre 28th December 1995 Reinstated 1st May 1998	30th June 1997
27	Via NHS Direct Services	1st September 2001	
28	Other means, including admitted from the A & E department of another provider where they had not been admitted	Pre 28th December 1995	
Maternity			
31	Admitted ante-partum	Pre 28th December 1995	
32	Admitted post-partum	Pre 28th December 1995	
Other			
81	Transfer of any admitted patient from other hospital provider. May be used for an elective or emergency transfer from other hospital provider.	Pre 28th December 1995	
82	The birth of a baby in this health care provider	Pre 28th December 1995	
83	Baby born outside the health care provider (except when born at home as intended. In this case the baby is an emergency admission. e.g. if midwife's decision to admit the baby use Admission Method 28)	Pre 28th December 1995	
98	Not Applicable	1st May 1998	20th January 2002
99	Not Known	Pre 28th December 1995	20th January 2002
See Originating Provider			
See Receiving Provider			

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Anaesthetic given During Labour/Delivery

Change History	
DSCN 04/01 (W)	Data Standards: Minor Changes and Corrections

(APC ds99)

The type of anaesthetic/analgesic administered to the mother during labour/delivery.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	General anaesthetic, the administration by a doctor of an agent intended to produce unconsciousness	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Epidural or caudal anaesthetic, the injection of a local anaesthetic agent into the epidural space	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Spinal anaesthetic, the injection of a local anaesthetic agent into the subarachnoid space	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	General anaesthetic and epidural or caudal anaesthetic	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	General anaesthetic and spinal anaesthetic	Pre 28th December 1995	
6	Epidural or caudal and spinal anaesthetic	Pre 28th December 1995	
7	Anaesthetic other than in 1 to 6, or analgesic only	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	No analgesic or anaesthetic administered	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	<i>Not Known, a validation error</i>	Pre 28th December 1995	1st March 2001

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Anaesthetic given Post Labour/Delivery

Change History	
DSCN 04/01 (W)	Data Standards: Minor Changes and Corrections

(APC ds99)

The type of anaesthetic/analgesic administered to the mother after labour/delivery.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	General anaesthetic, the administration by a doctor of an agent intended to produce unconsciousness	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Epidural or caudal anaesthetic, the injection of a local anaesthetic agent into the epidural space	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Spinal anaesthetic, the injection of a local anaesthetic agent into the subarachnoid space	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	General anaesthetic and epidural or caudal anaesthetic	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	General anaesthetic and spinal anaesthetic	Pre 28th December 1995	
6	Epidural or caudal and spinal anaesthetic	Pre 28th December 1995	
7	Anaesthetic other than 1 to 6, or analgesic only	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	No analgesic or anaesthetic administered	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Not Known, a validation error	Pre 28th December 1995	1st March 2001

See [Anaesthetic](#), Terms (A-Z)

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Birth Date

Change History	
DSCN (2007) 06 (W)	Amendments to Data Items 'Patient's Usual Address', 'Postcode of Usual Address' and 'Birth Date'.
DSCN (2006) 04 (W)	Revised definitions for Phase 2 of the Outpatient Data Quality Project

(APC ds99/EAL mds/ OP mds/ CC mds)

Date of birth of patient.

Format: 8 digit numeric, CCYYMMDD

If the Date of Birth is unknown; use the date '11/11/1811' (that is 18111111)

Birth Date Status is associated with this data item and should be used to indicate whether Birth Date is supplied or is not applicable.

See [DATE FORMAT](#)

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
00000000	Date of Birth unknown	1st March 2006	31st January 2007
18111111	Date of Birth unknown	1st February 2007	

(Non - Medical Staffing)

Date of birth of non - medical staff for demographic analyses of staff. Only required as at 30th September.

Format: 8 digit numeric, CCYYMMDD

(Psychiatric Census)

Date of birth of patient.

Format: 8 digit numeric, DDMMCCYY

(SBH50-59a)

Date of birth of medical or dental officer.

Format: 6 digit numeric, DDMMYY

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Birth Date Status

(APC ds99/EAL mds/ OP mds)

Allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the patient's date of birth.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1st May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1st May 1998	
9	Date not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

Birth Date Status (Mother)

(APC ds99)

Allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the mother's date of birth.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1st May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1st May 1998	
9	Date not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

Birth Order

(APC ds99, NCCHD)

In the case of a multiple birth, the position of this birth in the sequence.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
N	Sequence number of birth (1-6)	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	Not applicable	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Not known: a validation error	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

See [Birth Order](#)

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Birth Weight

(APC ds99, NCCHD)

The weight of the baby at birth, recorded in grams.

Format: 4 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
NNNN	0001 - 6999 grams	Pre 28th December 1995	
7000	7000 grammes or greater	Pre 28th December 1995	30th April 1998
9999	Not Known	Pre 28th December 1995	20th January 2002

See [Birth Weight](#)

Code of Commissioner

Change History	
DSCN 16/03 (W)	Data Standards: Introducing the new Local Health Board (LHBs) Codes

(This data item was formally known as 'Organisation Code (Code of Purchaser)' with the new title and updated definition taking effect from 21st January 2002)

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ OP mds)

This is the organisation code of the health care commissioner. The commissioner code identifies the health care organisation which purchases a patient's treatment during an episode of care.

Format: 5 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
XAABB	The organisation code for the commissioner. (if the commissioner is a Local Health Board, use the 3 character LHB code with two zeros placed in the 4 th and 5 th character positions)	Pre 28th December 1995	
VPP00	Private patient or overseas visitor who is not exempt from charges and has to pay his/her own bill	Pre 28th December 1995	
TDH00	The Commissioner code for treatment provided by a special health authority (Department of Health)	Pre 28th December 1995	
WOF00	The Commissioner code for eligible overseas visitors (exempt from NHS Charges) (National Assembly for Wales)	Pre 28th December 1995	
4WANN	Local Health Group	21st January 2002	31st March 2003

See [Organisation Code](#)

See [Appendix C](#)

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Commissioner's Reference Number

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ OP mds)

A number (alphanumeric) allocated by the Commissioner to a referral request. Its purpose is to record any reference number generated by a commissioner, including ECRs and GPFH Referral Numbers.

Format: 17 character alpha-numeric

Default codes:

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
8	(left justified padded with spaces) Not applicable	21st January 2002	

Consultant Code

Change History	
DSCN (2007) 02 (W)	To update the NHS Wales Dictionary with the format change to the GMC, GDC and Practice Codes.
DSCN (2006) 01 (W)	To introduce Independent Nurse Activity in the Outpatient mds + QSI
DSCN 63/02 (W)	Data Standards: Definitions of Nurse and Midwife added to NHS Wales Data Dictionary and description of Consultant Code updated.

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ General/ OP mds)

Nationally agreed form for consultant code or Independent Nurse. It is the General Medical Council (GMC) code for the Consultant or the GP acting as a Consultant or locum Consultant, which is the unique identifier. The nurse's Registration Number will be used to identify the Independent Nurse.

Format: 8 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
XXXXXXXX	Consultant code based upon General Medical Council registration number. The first character of the code is usually a 'C'. The 2nd to 8th characters are the GMC registration number.	Pre 28th December 1995	
LNNNNNNN	Code for Limited Registered doctor. (Note: the first two digits will normally be the year in which limited registration was granted)	Pre 28th December 1995	28th February 2007
DDNNNNNN DD/NNNNN	For Dental Consultants who have not been registered with the GMC the General Dental Council (GDC) number has to be used. (The slash character represents a space. The slash must not be used in data for central returns)	1st March 2007	
DD/NNNN		Pre 28th December 1995	28th February 2007

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C9999998	Consultant code not known	1st May 1998	20th February 2002
C9999998	For NHS patients treated overseas, if the overseas doctor does not have a GMC code.	21st June 2004	
D9999998	Dentist Code not known	1st May 1998	20th February 2002
M9999998	Midwife-led Activity If the patient episode is under the direct care of a Midwife the default Consultant Code must be M9999998 and the Treatment Function Code must be '560'. See Appendix A .	1st April 2000 Amended 1st April 2006	
	For OP mds only:-		
YYYYYYYYY	Independent Nurse The Nurse's Registration Number is used to record nurse-led activity in an Outpatients environment by an Independent Nurse .	1st April 2006	

See [GDC Registration Number](#)

See [GMC Registration Number](#)

Decision to Admit Date Status

(This data item was formerly known as 'Decided to Admit Date Status' with the new title and updated definition taking effect from 1st April 2006)

(APC ds99/ EAL mds)

Change History	
DSCN 13/05 (W)	Subject: Revising terminology to reflect 'A Guide to Good Practice – Elective Services'

Allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the Decision to Admit Date.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1st May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1st May 1998	
9	Date not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

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Delivery Method

(APC ds99, NCCHD)

The procedure by which a woman is delivered of a baby which is a registrable birth.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
0	Spontaneous vertex - Normal vaginal delivery, occipitoanterior.	Pre 28th December 1995	
1	Spontaneous other cephalic - Cephalic vaginal delivery with abnormal presentation of head at delivery, without instruments, with or without manipulation.	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Low forceps, not breech - e.g. forceps, low application, without manipulation. Includes forceps delivery not otherwise specified.	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Other forceps, not breech - e.g. forceps delivery, with manipulation. Includes high forceps and mid forceps.	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Ventouse, vacuum extraction	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	Breech - spontaneous delivery, assisted or unspecified. Includes partial breech extraction.	Pre 28th December 1995	
6	Breech extraction - not otherwise specified. Includes total breech extraction and version with breech extraction.	Pre 28th December 1995	
7	Elective caesarean section - caesarean section before, or at onset of labour.	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	Emergency caesarean section.	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Other than those specified above - e.g. application of weight to leg in breech delivery. Includes destructive operation to facilitate delivery and other surgical or instrumental delivery.	Pre 28th December 1995	

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Delivery Place Change Reason

(APC ds99)

If the place of delivery is different from the place originally intended, either in the type of place or geographically, the reasons for change should be classified as below:

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Decision made during pregnancy because of change of address	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Decision made during pregnancy for clinical reasons	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Decision made during pregnancy for other reasons	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Decision made during labour for clinical reasons	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	Decision made during labour for other reasons	Pre 28th December 1995	
6	Occurred unintentionally during labour	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	<i>Not Applicable (No Change)</i> None of the above	Pre 28th December 1995 Amended 21st January 2002	20th January 2002
9	<i>Not Known</i>	Pre 28th December 1995	20th January 2002

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Delivery Place Type

Change History	
DSCN 06/01 (W)	Data Standards: Delivery Place Type

(APC ds99)

Used to classify the initial intention and actual place of delivery.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid to
1	At a domestic address.	Pre 28th December 1995	
0	In NHS hospital* - Delivery facilities associated with midwife ward.	1st July 1997	
2	In NHS hospital* - Delivery facilities associated with consultant ward.	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	In NHS hospital* - Delivery facilities associated with GMP ward.	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	In NHS hospital* - Delivery facilities associated with consultant/GMP/midwife ward inclusive of any combination of two of the professionals mentioned.	Pre 28th December 1995	
7	In NHS hospital* - ward or unit without delivery facilities.	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	In private hospital.	Pre 28th December 1995	
6	In other hospital or institution.	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	None of the above.	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Not Known	Pre 28th December 1995	1st April 2001

* For NHS or private patients.

Note: Value 8 does not carry the standard default meaning of Not Applicable.

Note: If a baby is delivered in a different hospital to the one originally specified, there would be no change in the Delivery Place Type, since the birth would still have taken place in an NHS hospital.

See [Delivery Place Type \(Actual\)](#)

See [Delivery Place Type \(Intended\)](#)

See [Initial Intended Delivery Place Type](#)

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Discharge Date Status

(APC ds99)

Allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the discharge date.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1st May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1st May 1998	
9	Date not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

Discharge Destination

Change History	
DSCN 30/01 (W)	Data Standards: The implementation of new codes for Source of Admission and Discharge Destination to indicate admissions from the discharges to hospital providers in the same Trust. In line with the new definitions for Provider (Trust) Spell, Hospital Site Spell and Discharge
DSCN 09/02 (W)	Data Standards: Changes in High Security Psychiatric Services
DSCN (2006) 08 (W)	Data Standards: Source of Admission, Discharge Destination value of '51 and '55'

(APC ds99)

The classification of where a patient is sent on completion of a hospital provider spell, or a note that the patient died or was a still birth.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
19	Usual place of residence unless listed below for example, a private dwelling, whether owner occupied, owned by local authority, housing association or private landlord. This includes wardened accommodation but not residential accommodation where health care is provided.	Pre 28th December 1995	
29	Temporary place of residence when usually resident elsewhere (includes hotel, residential educational establishment)	Pre 28th December 1995	
39	Penal establishment, court or police station	Pre 28th December 1995	
49	Special Hospital	Pre 28th December 1995	31st December 2002
51	Other NHS Trust - ward for general patients or the younger physically disabled or A & E	Pre 28th December 1995	

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	department	Amended 28th February 2006	
52	Other NHS Trust - ward for maternity patients or neonates	Pre 28th December 1995	
53	Other NHS Trust - ward for patients who are mentally ill or have learning disabilities	Pre 28th December 1995	
54	NHS run nursing home, group home or residential care home	Pre 28th December 1995	
55	Hospital site within the same Trust - ward for general patients or the younger physically disabled or A & E department	1st September 2001 Amended 28th February 2006	
56	Hospital site within the same Trust - ward for maternity patients or neonates	1st September 2001	
57	Hospital site within the same Trust - ward for patients who are mentally ill or have learning disabilities	1st September 2001	
65	Local Authority Part 3 residential accommodation i.e. where care is provided	Pre 28th December 1995	
66	Local authority foster care but not in Part 3 residential accommodation	Pre 28th December 1995	
69	<i>Under local authority care – Residential or foster care</i>	<i>Pre 28th December 1995</i>	<i>31st March 2001</i>
79*	Not Applicable - Patient died or stillbirth	Pre 28th December 1995	
85	Non-NHS (other than local authority) run residential care home	Pre 28th December 1995	
86	Non-NHS (other than local authority) run nursing home	Pre 28th December 1995	
87	Non-NHS run hospital	Pre 28th December 1995	
88	Non-NHS (other than Local Authority) run Hospice	1st July 1997	
89	<i>Other non NHS Hospital, Nursing Home or Residential institution</i>	<i>Pre 28th December 1995</i>	<i>31st March 2001</i>
98	Not applicable - hospital provider spell not finished at episode end (i.e. not discharged, or current episode unfinished)	1st July 1997	
99	<i>Not Known</i>	<i>1st July 1997</i>	<i>20th January 2002</i>
Spaces	<i>Hospital provider spell not yet finished</i>	<i>Pre 28th December 1995</i>	<i>30th April 1998</i>

Derived when [Discharge Method](#) = 4 or 5

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Discharge Method

(APC ds99)

The method of discharge from a hospital provider spell.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Patient discharged on clinical advice or with clinical consent	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Patient discharged him/herself or was discharged by a relative or advocate	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Patient discharged by Mental Health Review Tribunal (MHRT), Home Secretary or court	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Patient died	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	Stillbirth*	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	Not applicable - hospital provider spell not yet finished (i.e. not discharged)	1st July 1997	
9	<i>Not Known: a validation error</i>	1st May 1998	20th January 2002
Spaces	<i>Hospital Provider Spell not yet finished</i>	Pre 28th December 1995	30th April 1998

*See [Stillbirth](#), Terms (A-Z)

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Duration of Elective Wait

(APC ds99)

The waiting time from the date of the decision to admit to the provider where the treatment actually takes place, to the date of admission. Normally this is the number of days between [Decision to Admit Date](#) and the admission date ([Start Date of Provider Spell](#)) of the patient's elective admission to the hospital provider.

A waiting time of 0 days is only to be entered after careful scrutiny. An example where this would apply could be where a patient attends an out-patient clinic and it is decided that a day case procedure may be carried out on the same day and there must also be a bed available and the consultant has a zero wait for this procedure (N.B this is a "booked admission" with Admission Method =12).

Format: 4 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
NNNN	<i>No of days (0000 – 8999)</i>	<i>Pre 28th December 1995</i>	<i>30th April 1998</i>
	0000 - 8887 (in days) entered as right justified with preceding zeros	1st May 1998	
9998	Not applicable	Pre 28th December 1995	
9999	<i>Not known (i.e. no date known for decision to admit): a validation error</i>	<i>1st May 1998</i>	<i>20th January 2002</i>

End Date Status

(APC ds99)

Allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the Episode End Date.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1st May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1st May 1998	
9	<i>Date not known</i>	<i>1st May 1998</i>	<i>20th January 2002</i>

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Episode Number

(APC ds99)

A number used to identify episodes uniquely, and is a sequence number for each consultant episode in a hospital provider spell.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
NN	NN = order number (01 - 99)	Pre 28th December 1995	30th April 1998
NN	NN = order number (01 - 87)	1st May 1998	
98	Not Applicable	1st May 1998	20th January 2002
99	Not known: a validation error	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

Ethnic Group

Change History	
DSCN 12/01 (W)	Subject: Changes to Ethnic data codes

(APC ds99, NCCHD, CC mds)

The ethnic group of the patient, as selected by the patient. The patient is the arbiter of the information. Classifications are based on the 14+1 new ethnic group data categories used in the 2001 Census and the information recorded about ethnic group must be obtained by asking the patient.

Format: 2 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
	WHITE	1st April 2002	
A	Any White Background	1st April 2002	
	MIXED		
D	White and Black Caribbean	1st April 2002	
E	White and Black African	1st April 2002	
F	White and Asian	1st April 2002	
G	Any other mixed background	1st April 2002	
	ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH		
H	Indian	1st April 2002	
J	Pakistani	1st April 2002	

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K	Bangladeshi	1st April 2002	
L	Any other Asian background	1st April 2002	
	BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH		
M	Caribbean	1st April 2002	
N	African	1st April 2002	
P	Any other Black background	1st April 2002	
	OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS		
R	Chinese	1st April 2002	
S	Any other ethnic group	1st April 2002	
	NOT STATED		
Z	Not stated	1st April 2002	

The national code must be entered as the first character in the 2 character field. The second character is an optional field only required for use locally. It must, however, be able to be grouped consistently with the 14 main categories as above. If no further local breakdown is required, the second character must be filled with a 'Z'.

(Non - Medical Staffing)

The ethnic group of the non medical staff, as defined by the individual concerned. This is not a National Assembly requirement but is collected centrally. Only collected in September.

Format: 1 digit alpha

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
	WHITE	1st April 2002	
A	Any White Background	1st April 2002	
	MIXED		
D	White and Black Caribbean	1st April 2002	
E	White and Black African	1st April 2002	
F	White and Asian	1st April 2002	
G	Any other mixed background	1st April 2002	
	ASIAN OR ASIAN BRITISH		
H	Indian	1st April 2002	
J	Pakistani	1st April 2002	
K	Bangladeshi	1st April 2002	

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L	Any other Asian background	1st April 2002	
	BLACK OR BLACK BRITISH		
M	Caribbean	1st April 2002	
N	African	1st April 2002	
P	Any other Black background	1st April 2002	
	OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS		
R	Chinese	1st April 2002	
S	Any other ethnic group	1st April 2002	
	NOT STATED		
Z	Not stated	1st April 2002	

Only the single alpha characters are required to be entered for workforce systems. There is no local breakdown required

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The codes below are for Historical information only and were retired on 1st April 2002.

Patient Details

Format: 2 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
0	White	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
1	Black - Caribbean	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
2	Black - African	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
3	Black - other	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
4	Indian	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
5	Pakistani	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
6	Bangladeshi	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
7	Chinese	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
8	Any other ethnic group	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
9	Not given	1st July 1997	31st March 2002

(Non - Medical Staffing)

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
0	White	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
1	Black-Caribbean	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
2	Black-African	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
3	Black-other	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
4	Indian	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
5	Pakistani	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
6	Bangladeshi	1st July 1997	31st March 2002

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7	Chinese	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
8	Any other ethnic group	1st July 1997	31st March 2002
9	Not given	1st July 1997	31st March 2002

First Antenatal Assessment Date Status

(APC ds99)

Allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the First Antenatal Assessment Date.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1st May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1st May 1998	
9	Date not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

First Regular Day or Night Admission

(APC ds99)

Identifies the first attendance in a sequence of regular admissions.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
0	first in a series	1st May 1998	
1	subsequent to first in a series	1st May 1998	
8	Not Applicable	1st May 1998	
9	Not known: this episode is an attendance with a sequence of regular day/night admissions, but the status of this episode within the attendance is not known: a validation error	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

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Gestation Length

(APC ds99)

The W.H.O definition for length of gestation in completed weeks. Measured from the first day of the last menstrual period (LMP) where this is thought to be reliable. For the remainder a best estimate based on likely LMP and ultrasonic measurement is to be recommended. Gestational age is expressed in completed weeks, e.g. events occurring to 280 days to 286 days after the onset of the last menstrual period are considered to have occurred at 40 weeks gestation.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
NN	10 – 49 weeks	Pre 28th December 1995	
99	Not Known	Pre 28th December 1995	20th January 2002

Intended Management

(APC ds99/ EAL mds)

The intended pattern of bed use for a patient, decided when the decision is made to admit, and only applies to patients on the Elective Admission List. This categorisation describes what is intended to happen to the patient. Occasionally the patient's treatment does not go exactly to plan. For example, a patient admitted as a day case may develop complications and have to be kept in overnight. Therefore another data item, patient classification, is used to describe what actually happens to the patient.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Patient to stay in hospital for at least one night	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Patient not to stay in hospital overnight	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Patient to be admitted for a planned sequence of admissions each involving at least one overnight stay.	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Patient to be admitted for a planned sequence of admissions which do not involve an overnight stay	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	Patient to be admitted regularly for a planned sequence of nights who returns home for the remainder of the 24-hour period	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	Not applicable – emergency admission	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

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Labour/Delivery Onset Method

(APC ds99, NCCHD)

The method by which the process of labour began, or delivery by a caesarean section occurred. Only those methods that are used to induce labour, such as surgical induction, medical induction or a combination of the two, should be recorded. Methods that are used to accelerate labour should not be recorded.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Spontaneous; the onset of regular contractions whether or not preceded by spontaneous rupture of the membranes.	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Any caesarean section carried out before the onset of labour; or a planned elective caesarean section carried out immediately following the onset of labour, when the decision was made before labour.	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Surgical induction; by amniotomy	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Medical induction; including the administration of agents either orally, intravenously or intravaginally with the intention of initiating labour.	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	Combination of surgical induction and medical induction.	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Not Known	Pre 28th December 1995	20th January 2002

Last Episode in Spell Indicator

(APC ds99)

This derived data item identifies whether the consultant episode is the final episode in the hospital provider spell.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	This episode is the last episode in the hospital provider spell	1st May 1998	
2	This episode is not the final episode in the spell	1st May 1998	
9	Not Known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

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Legal Status

(APC ds99/ KP90/ Psychiatric Census)

Change History	
DSCN 11/04 (W)	Legal Status for 'Not Applicable'

A classification of a patient's legal status which is either informal or as designated in the Mental Health Act 1983 or other acts. The classification "informal" is used for those patients who are not formally detained or not receiving supervised aftercare. The classification is required for all patients who have a hospital provider spell which includes the care of a Consultant in the psychiatric specialties or have been discharged from such a hospital provider spell and are required to receive supervised aftercare under the provision of the Mental Health (Patients in the Community) Act 1995.

For the APC ds99 this data item became effective from April 1999 and, with the data item Administrative Category, replaced the data item Category of Patient.

See [Appendix D](#)

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
01	Informal (including voluntary patients under Section 131)	Pre 28th December 1995	
02	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 2 (Admission of non-offender to hospital for assessment, with or without medical treatment)	Pre 28th December 1995	
03	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 3 (Admission of non-offender to hospital for assessment, for medical treatment)	Pre 28th December 1995	
04	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 4 (Admission of non-offender for assessment in emergency)	Pre 28th December 1995	
05	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 5 (2) (Power to hold informal patient already in hospital, by doctor)	Pre 28th December 1995	
06	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 5 (4) (Power to hold informal patient already in hospital, by nurse)	Pre 28th December 1995	
07	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 35 (Accused remanded to hospital for report)	Pre 28th December 1995	
08	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 36 (Accused remanded to hospital for treatment)	Pre 28th December 1995	
09	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 37, excluding section 37(4) with section 41 restrictions on	Pre 28th December 1995	

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	discharge (Convicted person sent to hospital for treatment, under 'restriction orders' on discharge)		
10	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 37 excluding section 37(4) without section 41 restrictions on discharge (Convicted person sent to hospital for treatment, without 'restriction orders' on discharge)	Pre 28th December 1995	
11	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 37(4) (Convicted person detained in a place of safety pending admission to a hospital, under a hospital order): validation error. This section is not applicable to hospitals.	Pre 28th December 1995	
12	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 38 (Interim hospital order)	Pre 28th December 1995	
13	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 44 (Patient committed to hospital by Magistrates Court pending Crown Court hearing for restriction order)	Pre 28th December 1995	
14	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 46 (Detained during Her Majesty's pleasure)	Pre 28th December 1995	
15	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 47 with section 49 restrictions (Prisoner, serving a sentence of imprisonment, transferred with 'restriction directions' on discharge)	Pre 28th December 1995	
16	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 47 without section 49 (Prisoner, serving a sentence of imprisonment, transferred without 'restriction directions' on discharge)	Pre 28th December 1995	
17	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 48 with section 49 restrictions (Other prisoner, not serving a sentence of imprisonment, transferred with 'restriction directions' on discharge)	Pre 28th December 1995	
18	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 48 without section 49 (Other prisoner, not serving a sentence of imprisonment, transferred without 'restriction directions' on discharge)	Pre 28th December 1995	
19	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 135 (Warrant to remove to a place of safety)	Pre 28th December 1995	
20	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 136 (Removal by Police from a public place to a place of safety)	Pre 28th December 1995	
21	<i>Formally detained – Other section</i>	Pre 28th December 1995	31st March 1998
30	Formally detained under previous legislation (fifth schedule); this relates only to patients who, prior to the implementation of the Mental Health Act 1983, were detained under the Sixth Schedule of the Mental Health Act 1959	Pre 28th December 1995	

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31	Formally detained under Criminal Procedure (Insanity) Act 1964 as amended by the Criminal Procedures (Insanity and Unfitness to Plead) Act 1991	Pre 28th December 1995	
32	Formally detained under other acts:	Pre 28th December 1995	
	Section 47 of the National Assistance Act 1948	Pre 28th December 1995	
	Section 1,2 or 12 of the Children's and Young Persons Act 1969	Pre 28th December 1995	
	Section 3 of the Powers of Criminal Courts Act 1973	Pre 28th December 1995	
33	Supervised Discharge [Mental Health (Patients in the Community) Act 1995]	1st May 1998	
34	Formally detained under Mental Health Act Section 45A	1st May 1998	
98	Non applicable (only used for <u>NON</u> psychiatric consultant specialties)	1st April 2004	

NOTE: The Connecting for Health Data Dictionary refers to value 99 – Not Know. This value is not used in Wales, as it is inappropriate if applied when the patient is detained under the Mental Health Act.

See [LEGAL STATUS](#), Terms (A-Z)

Live or Still Birth

Change History	
DSCN 04/01 (W)	Data Standards: Minor Changes and Corrections

(APC ds99)

An indicator of whether the birth was a live or a stillbirth (a birth on or after a gestation of 24 weeks (168 days), where the baby shows no identifiable signs of life at delivery) If born dead before 24 weeks, it would be a spontaneous abortion.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Live	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Still birth, ante-partum	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Still birth, intra-partum	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Still birth, indeterminate.	Pre 28th December 1995	

See [BIRTH](#), Terms (A-Z)

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Local Sub Specialty

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ OP mds/ PP01W)

Change History	
DSCN (2006) 05 (W)	Rename Data Item 'Consultant Specialty Function Code' and Specialty Function Code
DSCN (2007) 13 (W)	To remove waits for certain diagnostic endoscopies from the waiting times data collection for inpatient and day case admissions and first outpatient appointments (PP01W).

A locally defined division of clinical work which may cross specialty boundaries.

Format: 3 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
100	See Below	1st May 1998	
200	See Below	1st May 1998	
300	See Below	1st May 1998	
900	See Below	1st May 1998	
000	No appropriate sub specialty	1st May 1998	

Treatment Function Code	Local Sub Specialty Code
NNN Any	000 No appropriate sub-specialty
160 Plastic Surgery	100 Plastic Surgery (non burns)
	200 Burns Surgery
170 Cardiothoracic Surgery	100 Cardiac Surgery
	200 Thoracic Surgery
	300 Paediatric Cardiac Surgery
320 Cardiology	100 Paediatric Cardiology
400 Neurology	100 Spinal Injuries
	900 Other Neurology

This local sub specialty code is a separate field, rather than an extension.

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Marital Status

(APC ds99 – Mandatory for Psychiatric Patients Only)

Only collected for patients under the care of a consultant in a psychiatric specialty. This is the legal marital or civil status of a patient.

Format: 1 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning
1*	Single (Retired 31/10/2006)
S	Single (Commenced 01/11/2006)
2*	Married/separated (Retired 31/10/2006)
M	Married/ Civil Partner (Commenced 01/11/2006)
3*	Divorced (Retired 31/10/2006)
D	Divorced/ Person whose Civil Partnership has been dissolved (Commenced 01/11/2006)
4*	Widowed (Retired 31/10/2006)
W	Widowed/ Surviving Civil Partner (Commenced 01/11/2006)
P	Separated (Commenced 01/11/2006)
N	Not disclosed (Commenced 01/11/2006)
8	Not applicable (i.e. not a psychiatric episode)
9	Not Known (Commenced 01/11/2006)

* Values no longer used.

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Single	Pre 28th December 1995	31st October 2006
2	Married/separated	Pre 28th December 1995	31st October 2006
3	Divorced	Pre 28th December 1995	31st October 2006
4	Widowed	Pre 28th December 1995	31st October 2006
S	Single	1st November 2006	
M	Married/ Civil Partner	1st November 2006	

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D	Divorced/ Person whose Civil Partnership has been dissolved	1st November 2006	
W	Widowed/ Surviving Civil Partner	1st November 2006	
P	Separated	1st November 2006	
N	Not disclosed	1st November 2006	
8	Not applicable (i.e. not a psychiatric episode)	1st July 1997	
9	Not Known	<i>Pre 28th December 1995</i> Reinstated 1st November 2006	<i>20th January 2002</i>

Name Format Code

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ OP mds)

This identifies how the name of the patient in the MDS is formatted.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Structured – two element name, forename followed by surname, each element an35	1st May 1998	
2	Unstructured – an70	1st May 1998	
9	<i>Not known: a validation error</i>	<i>1st May 1998</i>	<i>20th January 2002</i>

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Neonatal Level Of Care

(APC ds99)

For registrable births, this is the highest level of care received by a neonate. This is recorded at the end of the episode.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
0	Normal care: care given by the mother or mother substitute with medical and neonatal nursing advice if needed	1st May 1998	
1	Special care: care given in a special care nursery, transitional care ward or postnatal ward which provides care and treatment exceeding normal routine care. Some aspects of special care can be undertaken by a mother supervised by qualified nursing staff. Special nursing care includes support and education of the infants parent(s)	1st May 1998	
2	Level 2 intensive care (High dependency intensive care): care given in an intensive or special care nursery which provides continuous skilled supervision by qualified and specially trained nursing staff who may care for more babies than in Level 1 intensive care. Medical supervision is not so immediate as in Level 1 intensive care. Care includes support of the infants parent(s)	1st May 1998	
3	Level 1 intensive care (maximal intensive care): care given in an intensive care nursery which provides continuous skilled supervision by qualified and specially trained nursing and medical staff. Such care includes support of the infants parent(s)	1st May 1998	
8	Not applicable: the episode of care does not involve a neonate during all, or part, of the duration of the episode	1st May 1998	
9	Not known: the patient is a neonate but the information is not available. This constitutes a validation error	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

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NHS Number Status Indicator

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ OP mds)

The status indicator provides information about the potential accuracy and reliability of the NHS number and hence the use to which the number can be put. The indicator can also be used to indicate the general standard of patient data quality within Trusts. This data item became mandatory in Wales in April 1999.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Interpretation	Valid From	Valid To
nn	Number present and traced using Welsh NHS AR	Welsh LHB's should look for high levels of NHS numbers which have an associated status indicator value of 'nn'.	1st April 1999	
01	Number present & traced	Providers should be striving to submit numbers that have been traced against an authoritative source (currently the Initial Tracing Service) and so are as reliable and accurate as possible. Therefore Local Health Boards should look for high levels of NHS numbers which have an associated status indicator value of "01".	1st April 1999	
02	Number present but not traced	This value reveals that although a number is present, it has not been traced against an authoritative source i.e. it has most likely been manually input but not sent to the Initial Tracing Service for checking. An exception to this could be that the NHS number has entered the provider system electronically from a reliable and safe source other than the authoritative tracing service. Users of NHS numbers with a status indicator value of "02" should be cautious.	1st April 1999	
03	Trace required	The provider should submit patient details for NHS number tracing before MDS' are submitted. Therefore the proportion of missing numbers are indicated by the "03" value should be very small.	1st April 1999	
04	Trace attempted – no match or multiple match found	A significant proportion of "04s" could indicate data quality problems at the provider. However, the LHB should take account of whether the provider has a high level of difficult to trace patients e.g. ethnic names, mobile population.	1st April 1999	
05	Trace needs to be resolved (NHS number or patient detail conflict)	High levels of "05s" imply that the NHS numbers sent by the provider for check tracking are incorrect for the patient. This indicates poor quality of data which could either be due to a poor original source e.g. wrong number given on a GP referral letter, or poor data input by the provider.	1st April 1999	
06	Trace in progress	This value indicates that the NHS number has been submitted for tracing but a response is awaited. Local Health Boards should expect to see a small proportion of these as the time of MDS submission may be before the response from the tracing service	1st April 1999	

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		is received.		
07	Number not present and trace not required	<p>Two circumstances are explained by this indicator:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NHS number is not required e.g. overseas visitor. This should be easy to identify from other MDS data items 2. There is insufficient patient data to enable a successful trace to be made. Local Health Boards need to be more cautious about this reason although they should take into account the type of population the provider serves e.g. itinerants and mental health patients who may not be willing or able to provide sufficient information. <p>Note:</p> <p>Local Health Boards should expect to see a small proportion of cases where there is no NHS number at all.</p>	1st April 1999	
08	Trace postponed (baby under six weeks old)	This indicator should only be used for babies under six weeks old and Local Health Boards should check the date of birth details on the MDS.	1st April 1999	

Number Of Babies

(This Data item was formerly known as 'Number of Registrable Births' with the new title and updated definition taking effect from 1st May 1998)

(APC ds99, NCCHD)

The number of registrable births (live or still born) at a particular delivery.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	One	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Two	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Three	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Four	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	Five	Pre 28th December 1995	
6	Six or more	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Not Known: a validation error	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

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Operation Status

(APC ds99/ OP mds)

Operation status should be used once for each record to record states of knowledge regarding the operative procedure.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	One or more operative procedure carried out	1st May 1998	
8	Not applicable i.e. no operative procedures performed or intended	1st May 1998	
9	<i>Not known i.e. finished episode/out-patient attendance but no data entered or the episode is unfinished and no data needs to be present. This would be a validation error only for a finished episode</i>	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

Patient Classification

Change History	
DSCN 04/01 (W)	Data Standards: Minor Changes and Corrections

(APC ds99)

A coded classification of [Patients](#) who have been admitted to a [Hospital Provider Spell](#), derived by combining data items on the patient administration systems, namely [Admission Method](#), [Intended Management](#) and ward use with actual duration of stay in a hospital bed. The duration of stay is derived by subtracting the date of admission from the date of discharge.

In the case of maternity patients, the use being made of the delivery facilities is also used in the derivation.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Ordinary admission	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Day case admission	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Regular day admission	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Regular night admission	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	Women using delivery facilities only	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	Not applicable	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

See [Appendix B](#)

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Pregnancy: Total Previous Pregnancies

(APC ds99)

The number of previous pregnancies resulting in one or more registrable births. Note: a live birth is always registrable, no matter how short the gestation. Still Births and Abortions are registrable only if they occur after a gestation of 24 weeks or more.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
nm	00-19		
00	No previous pregnancy resulting in a registrable birth	1st May 1998	
01	One previous pregnancy resulting in a registrable birth	1st May 1998	
02	Two previous pregnancies resulting in a registrable birth	1st May 1998	
03	Three previous pregnancies resulting in a registrable birth	1st May 1998	
04	Four previous pregnancies resulting in a registrable birth	1st May 1998	
05	Five previous pregnancies resulting in a registrable birth	1st May 1998	
06	Six previous pregnancies resulting in a registrable birth	1st May 1998	
etc.		1st May 1998	
19	Nineteen previous pregnancies resulting in a registrable birth	1st May 1998	
99	Not Known	1st May 1998 Reinstated 26th August 2005	20th February 2002

See [Number of Previous Pregnancies](#)

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Procedure Date Status

(APC ds99)

Allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the procedure date.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1st May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1st May 1998	
9	Date not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

Psychiatric Patient Status

(APC ds99)

The status of a patient admitted or transferred to a consultant in one of the psychiatric specialties within a hospital provider spell.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
0	No known previous hospital provider spells with a consultant episode (hospital provider) within a psychiatric specialty within any health care provider	21st February 2002	
1	One or more previous hospital provider spells involving a consultant episode (hospital provider) within a psychiatric specialty with this health care provider	21st February 2002	
2	One or more previous hospital provider spells involving a consultant episode (hospital provider) within a psychiatric specialty with another health care provider, but none with this health care provider	21st February 2002	
8	Not applicable: the patient is not receiving admitted patient care under a consultant in a psychiatric specialty	21st February 2002	

Note:

Where a patient has a history of admissions to several hospital providers, then priority between categories 1 and 2 above should be given to the current hospital provider, and category 1 selected, irrespective of whether or not the last admission was to the same hospital provider.

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This data item applies only to patients admitted or transferred to a consultant in one of the psychiatric specialties within a hospital provider spell. Record this against the first consultant episode under a consultant in one of the psychiatric specialties but not for subsequent psychiatric consultant episodes or for any non-psychiatric episodes.

Record Id

(APC ds99/OP mds/ CC mds)

Change History	
DSCN 04/05 (W)	New Data Item: Record Id
DSCN (2006)14(W)	Critical Care Minimum Dataset

Field to identify the type of record being submitted.

Format: 1 alphabetic

MDS	Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
APC	L	New record	1st July 1997	
	A	Amendment record	1st July 1997	
	C	Deletion record	1st July 1997	
OP/ CC	N	New record	31st May 2005 for OP 31st December 2006 for CC 1st July 2008 for OPR	
	A	Amendment record	31st May 2005 for OP 31st December 2006 for CC 1st July 2008 for OPR	
	D	Deletion record	31st May 2005 for OP 31st December 2006 for CC 1st July 2008 for OPR	

Please note, there is no record id in the layout of the Elective Admissions List mandatory dataset as this is a periodic census, providing a 'snapshot' on a specific date.

The values of the Record Id in the APC layout were originally used for the Hospital Activity Analysis reporting. With the commencement of PEDW (early 1990's) these same values were carried forward into the Admitted Patient Care development. At the time of the Outpatient mandated dataset it was agreed that these values should adopt a more logical standard.

APC = Admitted Patient Care mds

OP = Outpatients mds

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CC = Critical Care mds

OPR = Outpatient Referrals Dataset

Record Type

(APC ds99)

Shows the type of data held on the record.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
General episode			
11	Unfinished	Pre 28th December 1995 Reinstated 21st January 2002	30th June 1997
13	Finished	Pre 28th December 1995	
Delivery episode			
21	Unfinished	Pre 28th December 1995 Reinstated 21st January 2002	30th June 1997
23	Finished	Pre 28th December 1995	
Birth episode			
31	Unfinished	Pre 28th December 1995 Reinstated 21st January 2002	30th June 1997
33	Finished	Pre 28th December 1995	
Psychiatric census episode			
41	Unfinished, record with psychiatric census data	Pre 28th December 1995 Reinstated 21st January 2002	30th June 1997
Other maternity events			
53	Finished, other maternity event, delivery	Pre 28th December 1995 Reinstated 1st May 1998	30th June 1997
63	Finished, other maternity event, birth	Pre 28th December 1995 Reinstated 1st May 1998	30th June 1997
70	Integrity Record	Pre 28th December 1995	30th April 1998

See [Record Type](#), Terms (A-Z)

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Referrer Code

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ OP mds)

Change History	
DSCN 38/01 (W)	Subject: The addition of new codes in Method of Admission, Referrer Code and Referring Organisation for emergency patients admitted via the NHS direct service
DSCN 38/01(W) Amdt	Subject: The addition of new codes in Method of Admission, Referrer Code and Referring Organisation for emergency patients admitted via the NHS direct service
DSCN 18/04 (W)	To correct the All Wales Data Dictionary entry for the data item 'Referrer Code'.
DSCN (2006) 01 (W)	To introduce Independent Nurse Activity in the Outpatient mds + QS1
DSCN (2006) 04 (W)	Revised definitions for Phase 2 of the Outpatient Data Quality Project

The nationally recognised code of the person making the referral. This may be a General Medical Practitioner (GMP), General Dental Practitioner (GDP), Consultant or Independent Nurse.

If the referral is not from a GMP, GDP, Consultant or Independent Nurse, use one of the default codes below:

Format: 8 character alpha-numeric

Default code:

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
X9999998	Not applicable or no code available (referrer not a GMP, GDP or Consultant)	1st May 1998	20th January 2002
M9999998	Midwife	21st January 2002	
N9999997	Nurse Referral	1st September 2001	30th October 2004
	NHS Direct *	1st September 2001	
N9999998	Nurse Referral	1st September 2001	31st March 2006
S9999998	Self Referral	21st January 2002	
A9999998	MOD doctor refers	1st May 1998	
P9999981	Prison doctor refers	Pre 28th December 1995	
R9999981	Referrer other than GMP, GDP or Consultant	Pre 28th December 1995	

See [Independent Nurse](#)

See [Consultant Code](#)

See [GP Code](#)

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

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Referring Organisation Code

Change History	
DSCN 38/01 (W)	Subject: The addition of new codes in Method of Admission, Referrer Code and Referring Organisation for emergency patients admitted via the NHS direct service
DSCN 38/01 (W) Amdt	Subject: The addition of new codes in Method of Admission, Referrer Code and Referring Organisation for emergency patients admitted via the NHS direct service
DSCN (2006).01 (W)	To introduce Independent Nurse Activity in the Outpatient mds + QS1
DSCN (2007).02 (W)	To update the NHS Wales Data Dictionary with the format change to the GMC/ GDC and Practice Codes.

(APC ds99/ EAL mds/ OP mds)

The code of the organisation of the General Medical Practitioner (GMP), General Dental Practitioner (GDP), Consultant or Independent Nurse making the referral. This information is essential for managing contracts which are based on patterns of referral.

Format: 6 character alpha-numeric

Where a five character Organisation Code is used, it should be left justified and padded with a space.

Default codes:

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
X99998	Organisation code not applicable	1st May 1998	
X99999	Organisation code not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

* Note:

- Emergency patients referred via NHS Direct will require the data item **Method of Admission** to have the value **27** ('Via NHS Direct Services').

The value for the data item **Referring Organisation Code** will be **RT4LA** ('NHS Direct – Wales')

See [Organisation Code](#)

See [GP Practice Code](#)

See [Dental Practice Code](#)

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Resuscitation Method

(APC ds99)

The means by which regular respiration of the baby was attempted. This is not recorded for stillbirths.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Positive pressure nil, drugs nil	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Positive pressure nil, drugs administered	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Positive pressure by mask, drugs nil.	Pre 28th December 1995	
4	Positive pressure by mask, drugs administered	Pre 28th December 1995	
5	Positive pressure by endotracheal tube, drugs nil	Pre 28th December 1995	
6	Positive pressure by endotracheal tube, drugs administered.	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	Not applicable (e.g. stillborn where no method of resuscitation was attempted)	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Not Known	Pre 28th December 1995	20th January 2002

Sex

(General)

The sex of person, employee or patient.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
0	Not Known	1st July 1997	20th January 2002
1	Male	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Female	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Indeterminate or anticipated sex change	Pre 28th December 1995	30th June 1997
9	Not Specified	1st July 1997	

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Site Code (of Treatment)

Change History	
DSCN 19/01 (W)	Subject: Capturing data for NHS patients treated in private hospitals
DSCN 04/06 (W)	Revised definitions for Phase 2 of the Outpatient Data Quality Project

(APC ds99/ OP mds/ CC mds)

The organisation code for the site where the patient is treated, regardless of the Provider.

For outpatients, activity may take place outside the hospital, such as in the patient's home; in such cases, raising a site code is impractical. The following default code should be used in the Outpatient mds when required:

Format: 5 character alpha-numeric

Default code:

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
R9998	Not a hospital site	21st January 2002	
89999	Not applicable: Non-NHS providers where no site code has been requested and issued	1st April 2002	
89997	Not applicable: Non-UK provider	21st January 2002	

Where treatment for an NHS patient is sub-commissioned to an overseas provider the default code 89997 is applicable.

See [Organisation Code](#)

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Source of Admission

Change History	
DSCN 30/01 (W)	Data Standards: The implementation of new codes for Source of Admission and Discharge Destination to indicate admissions from the discharges to hospital providers in the same Trust. In line with the new definition for Provider (Trust) Spell, Hospital Site Spell and Discharge
DSCN 09/02 (W)	Data Standards: Changes in High Security Psychiatric Services
DSCN (2006) 08 (W)	Data Standards: Source of Admission, Discharge Destination value of '51' and '55'

(APC ds99)

The source of admission to a hospital provider spell or a nursing episode when the patient is in a nursing home.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
19	Usual place of residence unless listed below for example, a private dwelling whether owner occupied by local authority, housing association or other landlord. This includes wardened accommodation but not residential accommodation where healthcare is provided.	Pre 28th December 1995	
29	Temporary place of residence, when usually resident elsewhere (includes hotel, residential educational institution).	Pre 28th December 1995	
39	Penal establishment, court or police station.	Pre 28th December 1995	
49	<i>Special Health Authority establishment under the High Security Psychiatric Services Commissioning Board</i>	Pre 28th December 1995	31st December 2002
51	Other NHS Trust - ward for general patients or young physically disabled or A & E department	Pre 28th December 1995 Amended 28th February 2006	
52	Other NHS Trust - ward for maternity patients or neonates.	Pre 28th December 1995	
53	Other NHS Trust - ward for patients who are mentally ill or have learning disabilities.	Pre 28th December 1995	
54	NHS run nursing home, residential care home or group home.	Pre 28th December 1995	
55	Hospital site within the same Trust - ward for general patients or young physically disabled or A & E department	1st September 2001 Amended 28th February 2006	
56	Hospital site within the same Trust - ward for maternity patients or neonates.	1st September 2001	
57	Hospital site within the same Trust - ward for	1st September 2001	

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	patients who are mentally ill or have learning disabilities.		
65	Local Authority Part 3 residential accommodation i.e. where care is provided.	Pre 28th December 1995	
66	Local Authority foster care but not in Part 3 residential accommodation.	Pre 28th December 1995	
69	Under local authority care – Residential or foster care	Pre 28th December 1995	31st March 2001
79	Babies born in or on way to hospital.	Pre 28th December 1995	
85	Non-NHS (other than Local Authority) run residential care home.	Pre 28th December 1995	
86	Non-NHS (other than Local Authority) run nursing home.	Pre 28th December 1995	
87	Non-NHS run hospital.	Pre 28th December 1995	
88	Non-NHS (other than Local Authority) run Hospice	1st July 1997	
89	Other non NHS Hospital, Nursing Home or Residential institution	Pre 28th December 1995	31st March 2001
98	Not Applicable	1st July 1997	20th February 2000
99	Not Known	Pre 28th December 1995	20th February 2000

Source of Histological Diagnosis

(APC ds99)

Source of histological diagnosis.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Diagnosis obtained from a pathology lab report.	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Diagnosis obtained from medical opinion.	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Other source.	Pre 28th December 1995	
Spaces	Not Applicable	Pre 28th December 1995	20th January 2002

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Status of Person Conducting Delivery

(APC ds99)

The status of the individual who delivers the baby. When delivery is carried out by a student, the individual supervising the delivery should be the one recorded as conducting it. This may be different for each birth in a multiple birth.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Hospital doctor	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	General Practitioner	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Midwife	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	Other than above	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Not known	Pre 28th December 1995	20th January 2002

Note: Code 8 does not carry the standard default meaning of Not Applicable

Waiting List Date Status

(EAL/OP/APC mds)

Change History	
DSCN 14/05 (W)	Subject: Addition of the Data item 'Waiting List Date'

Allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the Waiting List Date.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1st May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1st May 1998	
9	Date not known	1st May 1998	20th January 2002

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Ward Type at Start of Episode

(APC ds99)

Change History	
DSCN 17/04 (W)	To amend the All Wales Data Dictionary entry for the data term 'Ward Type at Start of Episode'

Identifies the ward type at start of consultant episode. This is the description of the characteristics of a ward which covers resources available to intended users. A ward is classified according to the characteristics of the majority of beds within it.

Format: 7 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
AABCDEF			
AA= Clinical care intensity			
General			
11	for intensive therapy	Pre 28th December 1995	
12	for normal therapy: where resources permit the admission of patients who might need all but intensive therapy	Pre 28th December 1995	
13	For limited therapy: where nursing care rather than continuous medical care is provided. Such wards can be used only for patients carefully selected and restricted to a narrow range in terms of the extent and nature of the disease	Pre 28th December 1995	
Younger physically disabled			
21	spinal unit, only those units that are nationally recognised	Pre 28th December 1995	
22	other units	1st May 1998	
28	other	Pre 28th December 1995	30th April 1998
Neonates			
31	regionally designated: not associated with the maternity ward and in which there are some regionally designated cots for intensive care	Pre 28th December 1995	
32	non-maternity: not associated with the maternity ward and without regionally designated cots for intensive care	Pre 28th December 1995	
33	maternity: associated with the maternity ward in that cots are in the maternity ward nursery or in the ward itself	Pre 28th December 1995	

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Maternity			
41	only for patients looked after by consultants	Pre 28th December 1995	
42	for joint use by consultants and GMPs	Pre 28th December 1995	
43	only for patients looked after by GMPs	Pre 28th December 1995	
Mental Illness			
51	for intensive care, a regionally designated or interim secure unit	Pre 28th December 1995	
52	for short stay: patients intended to stay less than a year	Pre 28th December 1995	
53	for long stay: patients intended to stay a year or more	Pre 28th December 1995	
Learning Disabilities			
61	regionally designated or interim secure unit	1st July 1997	
62	short stay: patients intended to stay less than a year	Pre 28th December 1995	
63	long stay: patients intended to stay a year or more	Pre 28th December 1995	
Home leave			
71	home leave: non-psychiatric	Pre 28th December 1995	
72	home leave: psychiatric	Pre 28th December 1995	
Other			
81	Terminally ill/palliative care	1st July 1997	

See [Ward Type](#), Terms (A-Z)

B = Age		Valid From	Valid To
1	Neonates	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Children and adolescents	Pre 28th December 1995	
3	Elderly	Pre 28th December 1995	
8	Any age	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Home leave	Pre 28th December 1995	
C = Sex			
1	Male	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Female	Pre 28th December 1995	

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8	Not Specified	<i>Pre 28th December 1995</i> Reinstated 31st October 2004	20th January 2002
9	Home leave	Pre 28th December 1995	
D = Provider type			
1	NHS hospital provider	Pre 28th December 1995	
2	Non-NHS hospital provider	Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Home leave	Pre 28th December 1995	
E = Number of days open during the day			
0 - 7		Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Home leave	Pre 28th December 1995	
F = Number of days open at night			
0 - 7		Pre 28th December 1995	
9	Home leave	Pre 28th December 1995	
7199999	Home leave: non-psychiatric	Pre 28th December 1995	
7299999	Home leave: psychiatric	Pre 28th December 1995	

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