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WIGSB Welsh Information Governance and Standards Board	Subject: To update the list of OPCS 4 codes for Diagnostic Endoscopy procedures
	Implementation date: 1st April 2009

Summary of change:

The purpose of this DSCN is to update the list of Office of Population Censuses and Surveys Classification of Interventions and Procedures (OPCS) codes for diagnostic endoscopy procedures relevant to the Diagnostic and Therapy Services waiting times' data collection to cover future releases of OPCS 4.

These changes will be applied in version 2.21 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary

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0.01	11/09/08	JE	Initial draft
0.02	02/01/09	JE	Revised following DSCN Subgroup
0.03	04/02/09	JE	To amend wording to cover the future releases of OPCS 4
1.0	23/03/09		Approved by WIGSB on 19/03/09. This DSCN was formally know as DSCN (2008) AS (W)

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- Reference:** WIGSB *IGRN 2008/023*
- Subject:** To update the list of OPCS 4 codes for diagnostic endoscopy procedures
- Reason for Change:** To ensure the correct OPCS codes are included within the monitoring of waits for certain diagnostic endoscopy procedures.
- Implementation Date:** 1st April 2009

Background:

With effect from 1st September 2007, the monthly Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times data collection included waiting times for certain diagnostic endoscopy procedures. These procedure codes were included in the NHS Wales Data Dictionary under the Appendix K – OPCS Reference Codes List and were based on OPCS 4.3.

From 1st October 2007, OPCS 4.4 was mandated in NHS Wales.

The procedure codes listed need to be updated to reflect the current OPCS 4.4 codes and codes introduced under future releases of OPCS 4.

To provide consistency with NHS England and to minimise maintenance of OPCS 4 codes for any future releases of OPCS 4, the range of OPCS 4 diagnostic endoscopy codes to be used in the data collection will be shown under a new subsection of Appendix K.

Actions Required:

From 1st April 2009, Trusts are to include all OPCS codes as listed under Appendix K of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary in their monthly Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times data collection.

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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.

Changes as they will appear in the NHS Wales Data Dictionary can be found in Appendix C.

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

The following table show all Data Items, Terms and associated areas that are linked with the changes documented within this DSCN.

Data Definition Type	Name	New / Retired / Changed
Data Items & Terms (Grouped by Data Set)	Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times Background and Definitions	Changed
Appendix K	OPCS codes for Diagnostic Endoscopy procedures relevant to waiting times data collections	Changed

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.

Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times

Background and Definitions

1. In July 2001 the 'Waiting Times Strategy' confirmed a commitment to extend publication of waiting times to include diagnostic and therapy services.

Consequently, a new monthly data collection was piloted to cover referrals to specified diagnostic and therapy practice.

2. In May 2003, the success of the pilot was announced and the continuation of the monthly collection was confirmed.

3. The data submission became mandatory in 2004.

4. In January 2007 a pilot was undertaken to enable the monitoring of services to meet the 'Designed for Life' 26 weeks wait from referral to treatment targets. WHC (2007) 002 was issued to mandate a new file format for the Diagnostics and Therapies Waiting Times. This new file format will provide consistency across all wait returns. This WHC also mandated the requirement to provide waits in revised weekly time bands.

5. From April 2007, 5 additional diagnostic tests are mandated as part of the Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times data collection.

6. From September 2007, diagnostic endoscopy procedures are mandated as part of the Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times data collection.

7. A full list of the diagnostic endoscopy codes to be included in the Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times Data Collection, can be found in [Appendix K: OPCS Reference Codes Lists](#)

Appendix K – OPCS Reference Codes List

1. OPCS 4.3 codes for diagnostic endoscopy procedures relevant to waiting times data collections – Valid from 1st September 2007 to 31st March 2009

Remaining text in subsection to remain unchanged

2. OPCS 4 codes for diagnostic endoscopy procedures relevant to waiting times data collections – Valid from 1st April 2009

Please Note:

These codes are to be used for the **INCLUSION** of diagnostic endoscopies in the **Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times data collection**.

These codes are to be **EXCLUDED** from the Waiting Times for **Inpatient and Day Case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointments (PP01W)**.

1. Endoscopy – Gastroscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G45.1 – G45.9	Diagnostic Fiberoptic Endoscopic Exam/Upper Gastrointestinal Tract

1.1 Duodenoscopy (limited examination of duodenum only)

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G55.1 – G55.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of duodenum

1.2 Jejunoscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G65.1 – G65.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of jejunum

1.3 Other

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G16.1 – G16.9	Diagnostic fiberoptic endoscopic examination of oesophagus

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2. Endoscopy – Colonoscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
H22.1 – H22.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of colon

2.1 Ileoscopy/Enteroscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G80.1 – G80.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of ileum

3. Endoscopy - Flexible Sigmoidoscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
H25.1 – H25.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of lower bowel using fiberoptic sigmoidoscope

4. Cystoscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M45.1 – M45.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder

4.1 Urethroscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M77.1 – M77.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of urethra

4.2 Ureteroscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M30.1 – M30.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of ureter

5. Bronchoscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
E49.1 – E49.9	Diagnostic fiberoptic endoscopic examination of lower respiratory tract

Appendix C: Data Items and Term as they will appear in the Data Dictionary.

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1. Endoscopy – Gastroscopy

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G45.1	Fibreoptic endoscopic examination of upper gastrointestinal tract and biopsy of lesion of upper gastrointestinal tract
G45.2	Fibreoptic endoscopic ultrasound examination of upper gastrointestinal tract
G45.3	Insertion of Bravo pH capsule
G45.8	Other specified fibreoptic endoscopic examination of upper gastrointestinal tract
G45.9	Unspecified diagnostic fibreoptic endoscopic examination of upper gastrointestinal tract

1.1 Duodenoscopy (limited examination of duodenum only)

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G55.1	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of duodenum and biopsy of lesion of duodenum
G55.8	Other specified endoscopic examination of duodenum
G55.9	Unspecified diagnostic endoscopic examination of duodenum

1.2 Jejunoscopy

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OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G65.1	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of jejunum and biopsy of lesion of jejunum
G65.8	Other specified endoscopic examination of jejunum
G65.9	Unspecified diagnostic endoscopic examination of jejunum

1.3 Other

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G16	Diagnostic fibreoptic endoscopic examination of oesophagus

2. Endoscopy – Colonoscopy

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
H22.1	Diagnostic fibreoptic endoscopic examination of colon and biopsy of lesion of colon
H22.8	Other specified endoscopic examination of colon
H22.9	Unspecified diagnostic endoscopic examination of colon

2.1 Ileoscopy/Enteroscopy

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G80.1	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of ileum and biopsy of lesion of ileum
G80.2	Wireless capsule endoscopy
G80.8	Other specified endoscopic examination of ileum
G80.9	Unspecified diagnostic endoscopic examination of ileum

3. Endoscopy - Flexible Sigmoidoscopy

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
H25.1	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of lower bowel and biopsy of lesion of lower bowel using fibreoptic sigmoidoscope
H25.8	Other specified endoscopic examination of lower bowel using fibreoptic sigmoidoscope.
H25.9	Unspecified diagnostic endoscopic examination of lower bowel using

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4. Cystoscopy

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M45.1	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder and biopsy of lesion of bladder NEC
M45.2	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder and biopsy of lesion of prostate NEC
M45.3	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder and biopsy of lesion of bladder using rigid cystoscope
M45.4	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder and biopsy of lesion of prostate using rigid cystoscope
M45.5	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder using rigid cystoscope
M45.8	Other specified diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder
M45.9	Unspecified diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder

4.1 Urethroscopy

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M77.1	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of urethra and biopsy of lesion of urethra
M77.8	Other specified diagnostic endoscopic examination of urethra
M77.9	Unspecified diagnostic endoscopic examination of urethra

4.2 Ureteroscopy

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M30.1	Endoscopic retrograde pyelography
M30.2	Endoscopic catheterisation of ureter
M30.3	Endoscopic ureteric urine sampling
M30.4	Nephroscopic ureteroscopy
M30.8	Other specified endoscopic examination of ureter
M30.9	Unspecified diagnostic endoscopic examination of ureter

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5. Bronchoscopy

OPCS 4.3 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
E49.1	Diagnostic fibreoptic endoscopic examination of lower respiratory tract and biopsy of lesion of lower respiratory tract
E49.2	Diagnostic fibreoptic endoscopic examination of lower respiratory tract and biopsy of lesion of lower respiratory tract
E49.8	Other specified diagnostic fibreoptic endoscopic examination of lower respiratory tract
E49.9	Unspecified diagnostic fibreoptic endoscopic examination of lower respiratory tract

2. OPCS 4 codes for diagnostic endoscopy procedures relevant to waiting times data collections – Valid from 1st April 2009

Please Note:

These codes are to be used for the **INCLUSION** of diagnostic endoscopies in the [Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times data collection](#).

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OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
G65.1 – G65.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of jejunum

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1.3 Other

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
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2. Endoscopy – Colonoscopy

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3. Endoscopy - Flexible Sigmoidoscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
H25.1 – H25.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of lower bowel using fiberoptic sigmoidoscope

4. Cystoscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M45.1 – M45.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of bladder

4.1 Urethroscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M77.1 – M77.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of urethra

4.2 Ureteroscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
M30.1 – M30.9	Diagnostic endoscopic examination of ureter

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5. Bronchoscopy

OPCS 4 CODE	DESCRIPTION OF TEST/PROCEDURE
E49.1 – E49.9	Diagnostic fiberoptic endoscopic examination of lower respiratory tract

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