

WELSH INFORMATION STANDARDS BOARD

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DATA STANDARDS CHANGE NOTICE	
<p>A Data Standards Change Notice (DSCN) is an information mandate for a new or revised information standard.</p> <p>This DSCN was approved by the Welsh Information Standards Board (WISB) at its meeting on Thursday 19th October 2023.</p> <p>WISB Reference: ISRN 2022 / 030</p>	
<p>Summary: To implement additional values under the existing data item <i>Attendance Category</i> within the <i>Outpatient Minimum Dataset</i> to accurately reflect a patient’s reason for attendance when triggered via a <i>Self-Management</i> pathway.</p>	
<p>Data sets / returns affected: Outpatient Minimum Dataset</p>	
<p>Please address enquiries about this Data Standards Change Notice to the Data Standards Team in Digital Health and Care Wales</p> <p>E-mail: data.standards@wales.nhs.uk / Tel: 02920502539</p>	
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Introduction

As part of the [Welsh Government Planned Care recovery](#) key priorities, the National Planned Care Programme, working in collaboration with NHS organisations, proposed the roll out a *Self-Management* pathway to allow for the recording of patients on the following pathway types as an alternative to routine follow-up:

- See on Symptom (SOS)
- Patient Initiated Follow Up (PIFU)
- Remote Monitoring

The scope of this is to create a *Self-Management* pathway to identify the type of pathway a patient has been moved to once removed from routine Follow Up.

As part of this work, an additional requirement was identified to allow for the reporting of the number of patients assigned to a Self-Management pathway who require follow-up appointments. It was agreed within workshops that this information could be captured using the existing data item Attendance Category by adding 3 new values.

Description of Change

To implement the following additional values under the existing data item *Attendance Category* within the *Outpatient Minimum Dataset* to accurately reflect a patient's reason for attendance when triggered via a *Self-Management* pathway:

- Patient Initiated Follow Up (PIFU)
- See on Symptom (SOS)
- Remote Monitoring Triggered

Data Dictionary Version

Where applicable, this DSCN reflects changes introduced by DSCN and/or DDCN since the release of version 4.19 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

The changes introduced by such DSCNs will be published in version 4.20 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

Actions Required

- WPAS System changes to be implemented by DHCW Software Development Team to allow for the recording of the new values under *Attendance Category*.
- Ensure any affected national applications managed by The Informatics Service are updated where necessary.
- All Health Boards to submit relevant value where applicable upon implementation of WPAS changes.

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

The following table shows where there are changes to the scope and/or definitions of applicable data sets, data items, terms and other associated areas that are linked with the changes documented within this DSCN.

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

Data Definition Type	Name	New/Retired/ Changed	Page Number
Data Item	Attendance Category	Changed	4

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 ~~strikethrough~~. The text shaded in **grey** shows existing text copied from the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

Attendance Category

FOR OUTPATIENTS

(This data item was formerly known as 'First Attendance' with the new title and data definition taking effect from 1st April 2009)

This categorises the type of attendance.

The first attendance is the start of the Outpatient episode and is the first attendance in a series with the same Consultant or Independent Nurse following a referral.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	New Attendance	1 st April 2004	
2	Follow-up Attendance	1 st April 2004	
3	Pre-Operative Assessment Attendance	1 st April 2009	
4	Patient Initiated Follow Up	1 st September 2024	
5	See on Symptom Follow Up	1 st September 2024	
6	Remote Monitoring Triggered ¹	1 st September 2024	

¹ Please note that Remote Monitoring Triggered appointments refer to patients who are managing their condition via a third-party system such as *My Medical Record* or *Patient Knows best*. For example, a clinician has reviewed the patients recent test results via the system and identifies the patient requires a follow up appointment.