

A C T I O N

<p style="text-align: center;">CRIR Committee for Regulating Information Requirements</p>	Subject:
	Data Standards: Verbal Referrals
Implementation date: 1/4/98	

DATA SET CHANGE CONTROL PROCEDURE

This paper gives notification of changes approved by CRIR which will be included in the NHS Data Manual and the NHS Data Dictionary in due course.

Summary of change:

Changes have been made to the NHS Data Dictionary to allow for verbal referrals to be recorded for all Central Returns.

Summary of impact:

System: None.
Organisation: Minor.

<i>Change Proposal Reference No:</i> CP07/97

Please address enquiries about this DSCN to the CRIR Secretariat, Information Management Centre, Information Management Group, NHS Executive Headquarters, 15 Frederick Road, Birmingham B15 1JD (Tel: 0121 455 7843) or to the nominated enquiry point.

DSCN numbering format = sequence number/year of issue/service identifier and service sequence number. The service identifier and sequence number enables you to check that you have a complete set of service-specific DSCNs.

Key to Service Identifier:

A = All Services
P = Patient (Hospital, Community, Cross Sector Services)
F = Finance
E = Estates
W = Workforce
T = Transport

DATA SET CHANGE NOTICE 03/ 97/ P03

Reference: CP07/97 - DG 639/5/97(v1.5)

Subject: Verbal Referrals

Type of Change: Change of Data Standards

Effective Date: 1 April 1998

Reason for Change: Verbal referrals to be included in QM08 counts

Background: A concern has been raised regarding the count of those patients 'referred by GP' on QM08. Verbal referrals should be recorded, and counted for all returns.

Summary of Changes:

CONSULTANT WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST	Change entity type name and description
GP WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST	Change entity type name and description
GPFH REFERRAL TYPE	Change entity type description
OTHER WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST	Change entity type name and description
REQUESTED PATIENT PROCEDURE	Change entity type description
ROLE IN GP FUNDHOLDER REFERRAL	Change entity type description
ROLE TYPE IN GPFH REFERRAL	Change entity type description
WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST	Change entity type name and description
CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	Change attribute description
GP OUT-PATIENT REFERRAL INDICATOR	Change attribute description
POSTCODE OF CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	Change attribute description
REFERRAL REQUEST CANCELLED DATE	Change attribute description
REFERRAL REQUEST RECEIVED DATE	Change attribute description
REQUEST NUMBER	Change attribute description
REQUESTED PATIENT PROCEDURE NUMBER	Change attribute description
SERVICE TYPE REQUESTED	Change attribute description

CHANGES

Change Type: Change entity type name and description

~~CONSULTANT WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~
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A type of ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~.

This is a ~~written~~ request by a CONSULTANT for a health care service to be provided for a PATIENT, including the analysis of samples as part of PATIENT treatment. Such requests can be written or verbal.

The attributes and relationships are unchanged

Change Type: Change entity type name and description

~~GP WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~ GP REFERRAL REQUEST

A type of ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~.

This is a ~~written~~ request by a General Medical or Dental Practitioner for a health care service to be provided for a PATIENT. Such requests can be written or verbal.

The attributes and relationships are unchanged

Change Type: Change entity type description

GPFH REFERRAL TYPE

The classification of the contractual invoicing arrangement under which a GP FUNDHOLDER makes a ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~.

Classification:

- a. Cost per case contract
- b. Cost and volume contract
- c. Zero cost and volume contract
- d. Block contract
- e. Non-attributable contract

The attributes and relationships are unchanged

Change Type: Change entity type description

~~OTHER WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~ OTHER REFERRAL REQUEST

A type of ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~.

A ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~ other than from a CONSULTANT or GENERAL PRACTITIONER. Such requests can be written or verbal.

The attributes and relationships are unchanged

Change Type: Change entity type description

REQUESTED PATIENT PROCEDURE

A procedure that has been requested for a PERSON REGISTERED FOR HEALTH CARE in a ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~.

The attributes and relationships are unchanged

Change Type: Change entity type description

ROLE IN GP FUNDHOLDER REFERRAL

The role a HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER undertakes with regard to a ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~ made on behalf of a GP FUNDHOLDER.

The attributes and relationships are unchanged

Change Type: Change entity type description

ROLE TYPE IN GPFH REFERRAL

The classification of the role undertaken by a GENERAL PRACTITIONER in terms of a GP ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~ made on behalf of a GP FUNDHOLDER.

Classification:

- a. Referring GP: The GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER directly making the referral.
- b. Supervising General Medical Practitioner: The GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER who at the time of the referral is supervising a NURSE or assistant GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER who makes the referral. The supervising GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER may or may not be the GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER with whom the patient holds a current REGISTRATION.
- c. Trainee Present: A GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER REGISTRAR present when the referral was made.

The attributes and relationships are unchanged

Change Type: Change entity type name and description

~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~ REFERRAL REQUEST

This is a written request for a health care service to be provided for a PATIENT. If there is a verbal request this will normally be confirmed by a written request, and these should be processed as one referral. An electronic message is treated as a written referral.

The attributes and relationships are unchanged

Change Type: Change attribute description

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

The address to which correspondence relevant to a GP ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~ should be sent.

Format: CHAR Length: 105

Change Type: Change attribute description

GP OUT-PATIENT REFERRAL INDICATOR

An indication of whether or not a GP ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~ is intended for a service other than a CONSULTANT OUT-PATIENT EPISODE.

Classification:

- a. Yes
- b. No

Format: CHAR Length: 1

Change Type: Change attribute description

POSTCODE OF CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

The postcode of the correspondence address for a GP ~~WRITTEN REFERRAL REQUEST~~.

Format: CHAR Length: 7

Change Type: Change attribute description

REFERRAL REQUEST CANCELLED DATE

The date on which a ~~WRITTEN~~ REFERRAL REQUEST was cancelled, regardless of the reason for the cancellation.

Change Type: Change attribute description

REFERRAL REQUEST RECEIVED DATE

This records the date the ~~WRITTEN~~ REFERRAL REQUEST was received.

Change Type: Change attribute description

REQUEST NUMBER

A sequential number to uniquely identify ~~WRITTEN~~ REFERRAL REQUESTS as they are received.

Change Type: Change attribute description

REQUESTED PATIENT PROCEDURE NUMBER

The number which uniquely identifies a REQUESTED PATIENT PROCEDURE within a ~~WRITTEN~~ REFERRAL REQUEST made by a GP FUNDHOLDER.

Change Type: Change attribute description

SERVICE TYPE REQUESTED

The terms of reference for the ~~WRITTEN~~ REFERRAL REQUEST.

Classification:

- a. Advice/consultation
- b. Specific procedure
- c. Other

References:

The Data Manual, Technical Module, Version 2.0: Section A1.
