

DSC Notice: 38/2001 (W)

Date of Issue: August 2001

IRSS Information Requirements and Standards Sub Committee

Subject: The addition of new codes in METHOD of ADMISSION, Referrer Code and Referring Organisation for emergency patients admitted via the NHS direct service.

Implementation date: 1st September 2001

DATA SET CHANGE CONTROL PROCEDURE

Summary of change:

The need to accurately reflect the emergency pressures on the service and the routes the patients are taking to obtain access to emergency services in NHS Wales. It has been agreed to include this additional code for patients admitted via the NHS Direct route. This also includes additions to the referrer code and referring organisation code in the PEDW extract.

Change Proposal Reference No: DCTG/01/W

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DATA SET CHANGE NOTICE 38/2001 (W)

Reference No: DCTG/01/W

Version No: 1

Subject: The addition of code (27) in METHOD of ADMISSION for emergency patients admitted via the NHS Direct Service.

The inclusion of a default N9999998 in the Referrer Code for such admissions.

The inclusion of **RCVLA** in referring organisation data field for emergency admissions via NHS Direct in the South.

The inclusion of **RT7LB** in referring organisation data field for emergency admissions via NHS Direct in the North

Type of Change: The current Trust PAS systems will need to update their master-files to include the new code. The PEDW master-files will need to be updated to reflect these code inclusions.

Reason for Change: Following the recommendations of the WHIMG which, recognised the need to accurately record the emergency pressures on the service and the routes the patients are taking to obtain access to emergency services in NHS Wales. It has been agreed to include this additional code In Method of Admission, Referrer code and referring Organisation Code for patients admitted via the NHS Direct route.

Effective Date: 1st September 2001

Effect on NHS Data Dictionary:

The data dictionary version 2.3 will reflect the new codes.