

DSC Notice: 39/03 (W) *Amendment*
English DSCN Equivalent: N/A
Date of Issue: January 2004

IRSS Information Requirements and Standards Sub Committee	Subject:
	Data Standards: Amendment to DSCN 39/2003(W) to confirm the use of the PCT Area of Residence for English residents treated in Wales
	Implementation date: Immediate

DATA SET CHANGE CONTROL PROCEDURE

Summary of change:

Amendment to original Data Standard Change Notice 39/2003 (W) following the approval for the use of the PCT Area of Residence for English residents being treated in Wales.

Change Proposal Reference No: IRSS/04/01/01
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The Information Requirements and Standards Sub Committee (IRSS), is responsible for approving information standards.

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DSCN numbering format = sequence number/year of issue, (W) for Welsh DSCN's.

DATA SET CHANGE NOTICE 39/2003 (W) *Amendment*

Subject: Amendment to DSCN 39/2003(W) to confirm the use of the PCT Area of Residence for English residents treated in Wales

Effective Date: Immediate

Reason for Change: To confirm the coding of PCT Area of Residence for English patients treated in Wales on the Admitted Patient Care (APC ds99), Elective Admission List (EAL) and Outpatient Activity Datasets.

Background:

DSCN 39/2003 (W) advised the service that, for Welsh residents, the HA code of Residence data item was to be renamed to the LHB Area of Residence and gave guidance on how to populate this field. The service asked for clarification on how to populate this field for English Residents treated in Wales.

The PEDW Steering Group and WHIMG were asked for advice regarding the feasibility of populating the 'LHB Area of Residence' data item with the PCT Area of Residence code for English patients treated in Wales. Such a process would be in keeping with English guidance. The overall response from the Groups was that this was acceptable as some Trusts had implemented this process already.

Summary of change:

All data from the 1st April 2003 will be required to contain the appropriate LHB Area of residence code (for Welsh residents) or PCT Area of Residence code (for English residents treated in Wales). Both are derived from the ONS postcode file.

Effect on the Data Dictionary:

The Data Item 'Local Health Board of Residence' will be updated accordingly and included in Version 2.4 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

Data Items (A – Z)

Local Health Board of Residence

Update Comments

CHANGES

Change type: Update comments

Local Health Board of Residence

(APC ds99/EAL mds/OP mds)

... beginning section is unchanged.

Note: For English Residents treated in Wales use the first 3 characters of the Organisation Code (PCT of Residence), derived from the ONS postcode file.

Additional Information:

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