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Implementation Date: With immediate effect	

DATA STANDARDS CHANGE NOTICE

A Data Standards Change Notice (DSCN) is an information mandate for a new or revised information standard.

This DSCN was approved by the Welsh Information Standards Board (WISB) at its meeting on 21st January 2021.

WIGSB Reference: IGRN 2010 / 03

Summary:

To retire the formal reporting of the Inpatient and Day Case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointment Waiting Times (PP01W) data set.

Data sets / returns affected:

Retirement of an Aggregate Data Set:

Inpatient and Day Case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointments Waiting Times (PP01W)

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The Welsh Information Standards Board is responsible for appraising information standards. Submission documents and WISB Outcomes relating to the approval of this standard can be found at:

http://howis.wales.nhs.uk/sites3/page.cfm?orgid=742&pid=24632

DATA STANDARDS CHANGE NOTICE

Introduction

In April 2010, Welsh NHS Trusts and Health Boards were instructed to submit the Inpatient and Day case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointments Waiting Times (PP01W) for the following specialities:

- Restorative Dentistry (Inpatients/day case admissions only)
 Paediatric Dentistry (Inpatients/day case admissions only)
- 143 Orthodontics (Inpatients/day case admissions only)
- 315 Palliative Medicine
- 700 Learning Disability
- 710 Adult Mental Illness
- 711 Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
- 712 Forensic Psychiatry
- 713 Psychotherapy
- 715 Old Age Psychiatry

This change was mandated via Data Standard Change Notices (DSCNs) in 2010 http://www.nwisinformationstandards.wales.nhs.uk/dscns-2010.

Description of Change

To retire the Inpatient and Day Case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointment Waiting Times (PP01W) data set with immediate effect.

An internal review of CAMHS waiting times within Welsh Government found that the definitions for the PP01W data were no longer suitable and hence a separate data collection was established for that specialty.

An Impact Assessment was issued by the NWIS Data Standards team in November 2020 to Local Health Boards and Trusts within NHS Wales to ascertain whether there was a necessity to collect the remaining specialities from the PP01W data set. All respondents were supportive of the proposal to retire the PP01W data set. Respondents stated that they will likely continue to use the waits data locally for monitoring and validation purposes, and that the cessation of the formal requirement would not impede their organisations in any way.

Data Dictionary Version

Where applicable, this DSCN reflects changes introduced by DSCN and/or DDCN since the release of version 4.10 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

The changes introduced by such DSCNs will be published in version 4.11 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

Actions Required

Actions for all Local Health Boards / Trusts:

• To cease the formal reporting of PP01W data to the NWIS Data Warehouse.

Actions for the NHS Wales Informatics Service:

- To cease the formal submission of PP01W data to Welsh Government.
- To retire the Inpatient and Day Case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointment Waiting Times (PP01W) data set and reflect this in the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

Actions for the Delivery & Performance Division, Welsh Government:

- To cease the formal reporting of the Inpatient and Daycase Admissions and First Outpatient Appointment Waiting Times (PP01W) data set.
- To formalise the new data collection of sCAMHS outpatient waiting times.

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

The following table shows all the 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 sequence in which it appears in this DSCN.

Data Definition Type	Name	New / Retired / Changed	Page
Aggregate Data Set	Inpatient and Day case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointments Waiting Times (PP01W)	Retired	5
Data Item	Data Reference	Changed	7
Data Item	Return Date	Changed	10
Data Item	Organisation Code (LHB Area of Residence)	Changed	11
Data Item	Organisation Code (Code of Provider)	Changed	12
Data Item	Main Specialty (Consultant)	Changed	13
Data Item	Weeks Wait	Changed	18
Data Item	Count	Changed	20

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.

a) Changes to Aggregate Data Sets

Note: Inpatient and Daycase Admissions and First Outpatient Appointments Waiting Times (PP01W) Data Set will be moved to the 'Retired Data Sets / Aggregate Data Collections' section of the Data Dictionary, with the following changes.

Inpatient and Daycase Admissions and First Outpatient Appointments Waiting Times (PP01W) (Retired)

Valid to: 8th February 2021

Change History	
DSCN 2020 / BL	Inpatient and Day Case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointments Waiting Times (PP01W) - Retirement
DSCN 2010 / 03	Inpatient and Day Case Admissions and First Outpatient Appointments Waiting Times (PP01W)
DSCN 2009/09	NHS Reforms: NHS Wales Data Definition Update
DSCN (2007) 13 (W)	To remove waits for certain diagnostic endoscopies from the waiting times data collection for inpatient and day case admissions and first outpatient appointments (PP01W).

Scope Return Submission Details

Field Order	Format
Data Reference	2 character alpha
Return Date	ccyymmdd
Organisation Code (LHB Area of Residence)	3 character alpha numeric
Organisation Code (Code of Provider)	3 character alpha numeric
Main Specialty (Consultant)	3 digit numeric
Local Sub-specialty Code	3 digit numeric
Weeks Wait	3 digit numeric
Count	numeric

*If the count is zero for a week's wait time band, a row for that week's wait data should not be submitted.

This data is required to be reported for the following specialties:-

141	Restorative Dentistry	Inpatients/day case admissions only
142	Paediatric Dentistry	Inpatients/day case admissions only
143	Orthodontics	Inpatients/day case admissions only
315	Palliative Medicine	
700	Mental Handicap	
710	Mental Illness	
711	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry	
712	Forensic Psychiatry	
713	Psychotherapy	
715	Old Age Psychiatry	

The Business Services Centre (BSC) will provide data sets relating to the last day of each month to the National Assembly for Wales no later than 10 working days after the end of the month. To enable the BSC to meet this timetable, Local Health Boards /Trusts should provide data to BSC local offices no later than 7 working days after the end of the month. (Data for December will need to be supplied in a shorter timescale).

All files should be sent in the form of a comma separated text file (csv format), i.e. in which the values in each field are separated by commas, and e-mailed to: stats.health@wales.qsi.qov.uk

Files should be named as: xxxxxmmmyy.csv

Where: xxxxx = the BSC local office code

mmm = first three letters of the month to which the data relates, e.g. Apr for the first submission of data relating to waiting times at end of April.

yy = last 2 digits of the year

b) <u>Changes to Data Items – Amended to identify their exclusion from the PP01W Data Set</u>

The following data items are present in other data sets, so only need amendment to notify that they are no longer part of the PP01W Data Set through the following additional text:

Data Reference

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
DT Waiting Times		
RTT	1 st April 2007	31st August 2011
PP01W		8 th February 2021
RTT-PTR	1 st September 2008	30 th September 2009
CRTT	1 st April 2009	31st August 2011
Angiogram	1 st December 2008	1 st April 2010
RTT (Combined)	1 st September 2011	

This defines the record type within a return.

Must be one of the following:-

For Diagnostic and Therapy Services Waiting Times: -

Format: 2 character alpha

Value	Return Type	Valid From	Valid To
IE	Inpatient Diagnostic Endoscopy		

DE	Day Case Diagnostic Endoscopy	
OE	Outpatient Diagnostic Endoscopy	
DT	For all other specified Diagnostic and Therapy Services	

For Referral to Treatment Times (Retired): -

Format: 2 character alpha

Value	Return Type	Valid From	Valid To
РО	Open Pathway	1 st April 2007	31 st August 2011
CA	Closed Pathway Due to Admission	1 st April 2007	31 st August 2011
СО	Closed Pathway Due to Other Clock Stop Point	1 st April 2007	31 st August 2011

For PP01W (Retired):-

Format: 2 character alpha

Value	Return Type	Valid From	Valid To
IP	Inpatient Admission		8 th February 2021
DC	Day Case Admission		8 th February 2021
ОР	First Outpatient Appointment		8 th February 2021

For Referral to Treatment Patient Tracking Report (Retired):-

Format: 2 character alpha

Value	Return Type	Valid From	Valid To
BU	Patients on RTT pathways for whom a decision to admit or to commence treatment has not been made (i.e. Unknown)	1 st September 2008	30 th September 2009
BD	Patients on RTT pathways for whom a decision for treatment has been made but have an appointment date which is scheduled beyond their breach date.	1 st September 2008	30 th September 2009

For Cardiac Referral to Treatment Times (Retired):-

Format: 2 character alpha

Value	Return Type	Valid From	Valid To
ОР	Open Pathway	1 st April 2009	31 st August 2011
СР	Closed Pathway	1 st April 2009	31 st August 2011

For Referral to Treatment Times (Combined):-

Format: 2 character alpha

Value	Return Type	Valid From	Valid To
OP	Open Pathway	1 st September 2011	ı
СР	Closed Pathway	1 st September 2011	

For Angiogram (Retired): -

Format: 2 character alpha

Value	Return Type	Valid From	Valid To
IA	Inpatient Admission	1 st December 2008	1 st April 2010
DA	Day Case Admission	1 st December 2008	1 st April 2010

Return Date

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
DT Waiting Times		
RTT	1 st April 2007	31 st August 2011
PP01W		8 th February 2021
RTT-PTR	1st September 2008	30 th September 2009
CRTT	1 st April 2009	31st August 2011
Angiograms	1 st December 2008	1 st April 2010
RTT (Combined)	1 st September 2011	

This relates to the date on which the list is measured, that is, last day of the month to which the return relates. This is also known as the census date.

Format: 8 numeric digits in the format: - cccyymmdd

Organisation Code (LHB Area of Residence)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1st April 1999	
EAL ds	1 st April 1999	21 st November 2012
OP ds	1st April 1999	
RTT	1st April 2007	31st August 2011
PP01W		8 th February 2021
OPR ds	1st July 2008	
EDDS	1st April 1999	
CRTT	1st June 2009	31st August 2011
Angiogram	1st December 2008	1st April 2010
RTT (Combined)	1st September 2011	
MI ds	1st April 2016	

The Local Health Board where the patient is a resident, identified via the NHS Postcode Directory. This ensures that the Local Health Board can receive information about the care given to its residents.

Format: 3 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
NAN	The code of the LHB. Codes for Welsh LHBs can be accessed via the National Reference Data Service http://nrds.cymru.nhs.uk (NHS Wales Users Only)	N/A	N/A
X98	Not applicable e.g. for overseas visitors	1 st April 1996	

Note: For English Residents treated in Wales, use the Organisation Code of the Primary Care Trust (PCT) of Residence for all activity / waiting times data up to 31st March 2013.

From 1st April 2013 (inclusive) onwards, use the Organisation Code of the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).

Reference data files containing details of the Organisation Codes for English organisations, including the NHS postcode file, can be accessed via the NHS postcode file, which is available via the Technology Reference data Update Distribution (TRUD).

The TRUD website can be accessed via the following link:

https://isd.hscic.gov.uk

See Organisation Code

Organisation Code (Code of Provider)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1st April 1999	
EAL ds	1 st April 1999	21 st November 2012
OP ds	1st April 1999	
CC ds	1st April 2007	
OPR ds	1st July 2008	
DATS		
RTT	1st April 2007	31st August 2011
RTT-PTR	1 st September 2008	30 th September 2009
PP01W		8 th February 2021
EDDS	1st April 2009	
RTT (Combined)	1st September 2011	
PAP ds	1st April 2013	
RTDS	1st April 2014	
MI ds	1st April 2016	

This is the organisation code of the health care provider. The provider code identifies the health care provider who is responsible for managing the treatment of the patient.

Notes:

- 1. Healthcare providers may also act as commissioners when sub-contracting patient care services to other providers of health care.
- 2. Although the healthcare provider identified in this data item is responsible for managing the patient's treatment, it may not necessarily be where the treatment is actually conducted. For example, where the treatment has been sub-contracted to another healthcare provider.
- 3. For OPR ds, the Organisation Code (Code of Provider) is that of the organisation receiving the referral. If the provider is a Local Health Board/Trust, use the 3 character Local Health Board/Trust code with 2 zeros placed in the 4th and 5th character position.
- 4. For Referral to Treatment Times (Combined), use the 3 character Local Health Board/Trust code.

Format:

For Patient Level Data Sets (APC, OP, CC, OPR, PAP, RTDS):-

5 character alpha-numeric Local Health Board/Trust Code with 2 zeros placed in the 4^{th} and 5^{th} character position.

For Aggregate Data Collections (DATS and RTT (Combined)) and PP01W:-

3 character alpha numeric Local Health Board/Trust Code

Value	Meaning
XAABB	The organisation code for the provider

Default codes:

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
89997	Non-UK provider where no organisation code has been issued	1 st April 2004	
89999	Non-NHS UK provider where no organisation code has been requested and issued	1 st April 2002	

See ORGANISATION CODE

Main Specialty (Consultant)

(This data item was formerly known as 'Specialty Function Code' with the new title being implemented from 15^{th} May 2006)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 st April 1999	
EAL ds	1st April 1999	21st November 2012
OP ds	1 st April 1999	
RTT	1 st April 2007	31st August 2011
PP01W		8 th February 2021
OPR ds	1 st July 2008	
RTT-PTR	1 st September 2008	30 th September 2009

A unique code identifying each Main Specialty designated by Royal Colleges.

Specialties are divisions of clinical work which may be defined by body systems (dermatology), age (paediatrics), clinical technology (nuclear medicine), clinical function (rheumatology), group of diseases (oncology) or combinations of these factors. Only Specialty titles recognised by the Royal Colleges and Faculties should be used. This list is maintained by the General and Specialist Medical Practice (Education, Training and Qualifications) Order 2003 and European Primary and Specialist Dental Qualifications Regulations 1998.

Each consultant should be assigned a Main Specialty by the organisation to which the consultant is contracted. For physicians and surgeons with a generalist component to their work, the Main Specialty should be general medicine or general surgery. The hallmark of a general physician or general surgeon is the continued care of unselected emergency referrals. The Main Specialty is specific to a Health Care Provider. If, for example, a consultant physician working in two Health Care Providers has a generalist component to the work in one and not the other, general medicine is only assigned as the Main Specialty in the former case. Consultants in general medicine or general surgery may also have specialist interests and these should be recorded as well as the Main Specialty.

The initial source of the information should be the designation on the consultant's contract. This should be checked periodically against the work a consultant is actually doing so that the statistics can relate to a consultant's current type of work.

The Main Specialty only should be used for the purpose of producing Specialty costing statistics and for Workforce statistics where links with activity and finance are required. Other specialist interests of consultants may be recorded for workforce planning purposes.

The Main Specialty code for general practitioners is General Medical Practice or General Dental Practice.

Joint Consultant Clinic activity should be recorded against the Main Specialty code of the consultant managing the clinic.

Format: 3 digit numeric

Code	Main Specialty Title	Valid From	Valid To
Surgical	Specialties		
100	General Surgery	Pre 28 th December 1995	
101	Urology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
110	Trauma & Orthopaedic	Pre 28 th December 1995	
120	ENT	Pre 28 th December 1995	
130	Ophthalmology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
140	Oral Surgery	Pre 28 th December 1995	
141	Restorative Dentistry	Pre 28 th December 1995	
142	Paediatric Dentistry	Pre 28 th December 1995	
143	Orthodontics	Pre 28 th December 1995	
145	Oral & Maxillo Facial Surgery	1 st April 2015	
146	Endodontics	1 st April 2015	

147	Periodontics	1st April 2015	
148	Prosthodontics	1 st April 2015	
149	Surgical Dentistry	1 st April 2015	
150	Neurosurgery	Pre 28 th December	
		1995	
160	Plastic Surgery	Pre 28 th December 1995	
170	Cardiothoracic Surgery	Pre 28 th December 1995	
171	Paediatric Surgery	Pre 28 th December 1995	
180	Accident & Emergency	Pre 28 th December 1995	
191	Pain Management	Pre 28 th December 1995	31 st March 2015
Medical	l Specialties		
190	Anaesthetics	Pre 28 th December 1995	
192	Critical Care Medicine	1 st April 2015	
199	Non-UK provider; specialty function not know, treatment mainly surgical (only applicable for overseas providers)	Pre 28 th December 1995	31 st March 2015
300	General Medicine	Pre 28 th December 1995	
301	Gastroenterology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
302	Endocrinology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
303	Clinical Haematology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
304	Clinical Physiology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
305	Clinical Pharmacology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
310	Audiological Medicine	Pre 28 th December 1995	
311	Clinical Genetics	Pre 28 th December 1995	
312	Clinical Cytogenetics and Molecular Genetics	Pre 28 th December 1995	31 st March 2015
313	Clinical Immunology and Allergy	Pre 28 th December 1995	
314	Rehabilitation	Pre 28 th December 1995	
315	Palliative Medicine	Pre 28 th December 1995	
320	Cardiology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
321	Paediatric Cardiology	1st April 2015	
325	Sport And Exercise Medicine	1st April 2015	
326	Acute Internal Medicine	1st April 2015	
330	Dermatology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
340	Respiratory Medicine (also known as Thoracic Medicine)	Pre 28 th December 1995	
350	Infectious Diseases	Pre 28 th December 1995	
352	Tropical Medicine	1st April 2015	

1995	360	Genitourinary Medicine	Pre 28 th December	
1995	300	Control in a first series	1995	
1995	361	Nephrology		
1995	370	Medical Oncology		
1995	371	Nuclear Medicine		
1995	400	Neurology		
1995	401	Clinical Neuro-physiology		
1995	410	Rheumatology		
1995	420	Paediatrics		
1995 1995 1995 1995 1995	421	Paediatric Neurology		
1995 1995 18* April 2015 18* April 2015 1995 1	430	Geriatric Medicine		
Medical Ophthalmology Pre 28th December 1995	450	Dental Medicine Specialties		
1995	451	Special Care Dentistry	1st April 2015	
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Health Pre 28th December 31st March 2015	502	Gynaecology		
1995	504		1st April 2015	
1995	510	Obstetrics - AN (outpatients)		31 st March 2015
1995 1995	520	Obstetrics - PN (outpatients)		31 st March 2015
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610 GP Maternity Pre 28th December 1995 620 GP Other Pre 28th December 1995 Psychiatry 700 Learning Disability Pre 28th December 1995 710 Adult Mental Illness Pre 28th December 1995 711 Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Pre 28th December 1995 712 Forensic Psychiatry Pre 28th December 1995	600	General Medical Practice	1st April 2015	
1995	601	General Dental Practice	1st April 2015	
Psychiatry Pre 28th December 1995	610	GP Maternity		31 st March 2015
700 Learning Disability Pre 28 th December 1995 710 Adult Mental Illness Pre 28 th December 1995 711 Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Pre 28 th December 1995 712 Forensic Psychiatry Pre 28 th December 1995	620	GP Other		31 st March 2015
1995	Psychia	ntry		
1995	700	Learning Disability		
712 Forensic Psychiatry Pre 28 th December 1995	710	Adult Mental Illness		
1995	711	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry		
	712	Forensic Psychiatry		
713 Psychotherapy Pre 28 th December 1995	713	Psychotherapy	Pre 28 th December 1995	

715	Old Age Psychiatry	Pre 28 th December 1995	
Radiolo	оду		
800	Clinical Oncology (Previously Radiotherapy)	Pre 28 th December 1995	
810	Radiology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
Pathol	ogy		
820	General Pathology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
821	Blood Transfusion	Pre 28 th December 1995	
822	Chemical Pathology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
823	Haematology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
824	Histopathology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
830	Immunopathology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
831	Medical Microbiology	Pre 28 th December 1995	
832	Neuropathology	Pre 28 th December 1995	31 st March 2015
833	Medical Microbiology (Also Known as Microbiology And Bacteriology)	1 st April 2015	
834	Medical Virology	1st April 2015	
Other			
900	Community Medicine	Pre 28 th December 1995	
901	Occupational Medicine	Pre 28 th December 1995	
902	Community Health Services Dental	1st April 2015	
903	Public Health Medicine	1st April 2015	
904	Public Health Dental	1st April 2015	
950	Nursing Episode	Pre 28 th December 1995	
960	Allied Health Professional Episode	1st April 2015	
990	Joint Consultant Clinics	Pre 28 th December 1995	31 st March 2015

Specialty Codes can be viewed through the following link to the National Reference Data Service (NRDS Website): http://NRDS.cymru.nhs.uk

Weeks Wait

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
DT Waiting Times		
RTT	1st April 2007	31st August 2011
PP01W		8 th February 2021
CRTT	1st April 2009	31st August 2011
Angiogram	1st December 2008	1st April 2010
RTT (Combined)	1st September 2011	

The time bands for reporting the waiting time counts, some values of which vary between returns developed for different purposes.

The principle for recording the time band for a week's wait is shown below: -

For reporting purposes, a week's wait is a value of x and refers to "Over x weeks and up to x+1 weeks".

The calculation from days to weeks wait reported is Integer value of (days-1)/7 or zero, whichever is greater.

For example, to calculate the weeks wait for 277 days; use the calculation (days-1)/7: -(277-1)/7 = 39.428 (equivalent to 39 weeks and 4 days). This will be recorded under the 'Over 39 weeks and up to 40 weeks (Day 274 – 280)' Time Band.

The definition for 999 is different within the RTT (Combined) and PP01W collections. In the PP01W it refers to suspensions and In RTT (Combined) it refers to patients with unknown RTT start clock date. The correct definition must be applied to the relevant return.

Diagnostic and Therapy Waiting Times & PP01W

The count of waiting time will start from the waiting list date and end on the census date, which is the last day of each month.

The waiting times will be reported grouped within time bands described in weeks up to 40 weeks wait. All waits beyond that will be reported in one group.

Weeks Wait	Time Band
0	Up to 1 week (up to and including 7 days)
1	Over 1 week and up to 2 weeks (day 8 to 14)
2	Over 2 weeks and up to 3 weeks (day 15 to 21)
Etc until	
39	Over 39 weeks and up to 40 weeks (day 274 to 280)
40	Over 40 weeks (day 281 and over)
999	Suspensions (for PP01W submissions only)

Referral to Treatment Times (Combined): -

<u>For open pathways</u>, the length of referral to treatment time will be from the clock start date to the end of the census date, which is the last day of the month.

<u>For closed pathways</u>, the length of referral to treatment time will be from the clock start date to the clock stop date, which is within the reporting period.

The referral to treatment times will be reported grouped in time bands described in weeks up to 40 weeks. Over that, reporting will be in 4-week time bands up to a specified 105 weeks wait. Waits beyond that will be reported in one group. Where a Local Health Board/Trust is unable to identify a start clock dates for patients, these will be reported using a Weeks Wait value of '999'.

Weeks Wait	Time Band	
0	Up to 1 week (up to and including 7 days)	
1	Over 1 week and up to 2 weeks (day 8 to 14)	
2	Over 2 weeks and up to 3 weeks (day 15 to 21)	
Etc until		
39	Over 39 weeks and up to 40 weeks (day 274 to 280)	
40	Over 40 weeks and up to 41 weeks (day 281 to 287)	
41 - 44	Over 41 weeks and up to 45 weeks (day 288 to 315)	
45 - 48	Over 45 weeks and up to 49 weeks (day 316 to 343)	
49 - 52	Over 49 weeks and up to 53 weeks (day 344 to 371)	
Etc up to		
101 - 104	Over 101 weeks and up to 105 weeks (day 708 to day 735)	
105	Over 105 weeks (day 736 and over)	
999	Patient with unknown RTT start clock date	

See WHC (2006) 081 'Delivering a 26 week Patient Pathway' for definitions of 'waiting list date'.

Cardiac Referral to Treatment Times (Retired):-

Time waiting is the difference in between the return date and the waiting list date.

Weeks Wait	Time Band	
0	Up to 1 week (up to and including 7 days)	
1	Over 1 week and up to 2 weeks (day 8 to 14)	
2	Over 2 weeks and up to 3 weeks (day 15 to 21)	
Etc until		
39	Over 39 weeks and up to 40 weeks (day 274 to 280)	
40	Over 40 weeks and up to 41 weeks (day 281 to 287)	

41 - 44	Over 41 weeks and up to 45 weeks (day 288 to 315)	
45 - 48	Over 45 weeks and up to 49 weeks (day 316 to 343)	
49 - 52	Over 49 weeks and up to 53 weeks (day 344 to 371)	
Etc up to		
101 - 104	Over 101 weeks and up to 105 weeks (day 708 to day 735)	
105	Over 105 weeks (day 736 and over)	
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For open pathways, the length of the pathway is measured from the date of referral to the date of the return date (end of the month). An open pathway is recorded where a patient falls within the scope of the target who has not yet reached a stop clock point at the end of the month.

For closed pathways, the length of the pathway is measured from the date of referral to the date of the stop clock point. A closed pathway is recorded where a patient who falls within the scope of the target has reached a stop clock point within the month.

Angiogram (Retired): -

The count of waiting time is the difference in weeks between the return date and the date of decision to admit, not counting periods of suspension. Refer to the current rules regarding management of suspensions.

The waiting times will be reported grouped within time bands described in weeks up to 26 weeks wait. All waits beyond that will be reported in one group.

Weeks Wait	Time Band	
0	Up to 1 week (up to and including 7 days)	
1	Over 1 week and up to 2 weeks (day 8 to 14)	
2	Over 2 weeks and up to 3 weeks (day 15 to 21)	
Etc until		
26	Over 26 weeks (day 183 and over)	

Count

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
DT Waiting Times		
RTT	1st April 2007	31st August 2011
PP01W		8 th February 2021
RTT-PTR	1 st September 2008	30 th September 2009
CRTT	1st April 2009	31st August 2011
Angiogram	1 st December 2008	1 st April 2010

RTT (Combined)	1 st September 2011	
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This is the numeric field showing number of patients in each time band. For DT and RTT (Combined) and PP01W, see Weeks Wait