

GP Bulletin

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About this bulletin

This bulletin contains important information for practice managers, including requests for information and deadlines, as well as updates on issues relating to GP contracts.

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If you have any questions or wish to provide feedback, please contact the Primary Care Team for Bristol, North Somerset, Somerset, South Gloucestershire, Devon Cornwall and Isles of Scilly by emailing: england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net

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 - None

Key Deadlines

Amendments to Dementia Component 2 data on CQRS	20/05/2016	CQRS amendments to Dementia Component 2 data should be sent to - england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net Please Note: We can only make amendments up to 27th May 2016
Completion of Extended Hours form	27/05/2016	Template form issued with GP Bulletin 157 – 29 th April 2016 to be completed and returned to england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net
Directed Enhanced Services Claims	09/06/2016	Submission of DES Claim Forms should be sent to – england.pcfincesw@nhs.net
Avoiding Unplanned Admissions	Promptly	If the data is correct please ensure you have returned your completed Template Report and declare achievement
Avoiding Unplanned Admissions	14/06/2016	If your AUA data is not correct please use attached supporting information sheet to amend your coding

• Items for all Practices

NHS England GP Contract Team update

Caroline Stead, Contract Manager (Medical) will be leaving NHS England on 26th May 2016 to take up a post with NEW Devon CCG. Arrangements are in place to appoint a replacement but it is unlikely that anyone will be in post before August. In the meantime any queries that you would have sent to Caroline will now need to be forwarded to the Medical Contract Team generic email address which is england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net.

Important Update: Avoiding Unplanned Admissions DES Component 2 – 3

Many of you will be aware that there were problems in the autumn when we came to look at the Avoiding Unplanned Admission DES settlement of claims. This was not just a south west issue but across England. Consequently, there has been considerable interest in the year end process and some national guidance on how we, at the Local Regional Offices should manage the settlement of this DES. Those of you who have requested amendments will be aware that these have not yet been undertaken, but there is now a clear procedure agreed across England in the management of settling your claims.

Firstly all practices who have successfully achieved the requirements of the DES, as demonstrated by the data extraction in April and who have also returned their completed report template, will receive payment soon, if they have declared their achievement.

Action: If your figures on CQRS demonstrate achievement please ensure that you have returned your AUA report template and declare achievement. We will ensure that your declaration is approved and you will be paid promptly.

If your AUA achievement figures are not correct, then there is a different path. We have been informed that there will be a second data extraction for this service on 15th June. We have been asked to inform affected practices that we are not able to amend the data on CQRS, but that we are to ask practices to ensure that the data is correctly coded so when the second extraction happens in June the figures will accurately reflect the achievement; therefore all practices with incorrect figures on CQRS are asked to re-code the activity before 14th June.

The key points agreed nationally are:

- It is the practices responsibility to ensure that the coding is correct.
- Regional teams will not accept any requests to amend the data.
- If any of the three key requirements fail then the practice has failed.
- Practices can make a new claim for departed patients to allow for any that were on the register on the 31 March.
- Claims for the departed patients are to be in line with the specification, only patients who have departed in the last 6 months of the year.
- The two six month reports must be submitted before payment is made
- CQRS is the only tool that calculates achievement (in line with QOF calculations, to 7 decimal places.)
- In line with the specifications NHS England reserves the right to audit claims retrospectively.

Please see the supporting information attached. We will be contacting the affected practice directly in the forthcoming week, however we did want to inform you now so that, if affected, you can plan the work to check and code the patients as instructed.

New Born Infant examination (NIPE) PCHR (Red Book) recording

NIPE SMART software, is being rolled out as a national failsafe programmes for all acute Trusts for the 72 hour NIPE examination. For Trusts now using this failsafe software a printout of the first day NIPE results should be filed in the PCHR (likely pg 3) or could be at the back of the PCHR book if it is not a new ring binder type. If first day NIPE examination is not recorded in the usual place in the red book please look for this print out. Please continue to use the PCHR to record the 6 week examination.

- **Items for Bristol, North Somerset, Somerset and South Gloucestershire Practices only**

None

- **Items for Devon, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Practices only**

None