

The Quarter 4 (Q4) 2013/14 data for the **Dementia Assessment and Referral** data collection in England by NHS England were released on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014 according to the arrangements approved by the UK Statistics Authority. This covers the months January, February and March 2014.

## **Dementia Assessment and Referral data collection – Q4 2013/14**

### **Key points**

The key results for data collected on the number and proportion of patients aged 75 and over admitted as an emergency for more than 72 hours who have been identified as potentially having dementia, who are appropriately assessed and, where appropriate, were referred on to specialist services are as follows:

- 85 trusts achieved 90% in all three measures, an increase from 74 trusts in Q3 2013/14.
- 83.5% of admitted patients were initially assessed for potential dementia in Q4 2013/14, an increase of 2 percentage points from 81.5% in Q3 2013/14.
- Of the patients initially assessed and found as potentially having dementia, 90% were further assessed, an increase of 1 percentage point from 89% in Q3 2013-14.
- Of the patients who were further assessed and in which the outcome was either positive or inconclusive, 90% were referred on to specialist services, an increase of 2 percentage points from 88% in Q3 2013/14.
- The percentages of trusts in Q4 2013/14 achieving 90% or over of their emergency admissions for each measure were:
  - 66% of the trusts carried out initial assessments for cases of dementia, an increase from 61% in Q3 2013/14;
  - 76% carried out further diagnoses, an increase from 71% in Q3 2013/14;
  - 79% referred cases on to specialist services, an increase from 75% in Q3 2013/14.
- The number of data returns submitted by NHS providers of acute funded care was 145, 146 and 148 in January, February and March 2014, respectively, an increase from 146 providers in December 2013, that is, by the end of Quarter 3 2013/14.

The full data tables can be found in the NHS England website:

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/dementia/>