

The Quarter 2 2014/15 data for the **Dementia Assessment and Referral** data collection in England by NHS England were released on 3rd December 2014 according to the arrangements approved by the UK Statistics Authority.

Dementia Assessment and Referral data collection – Quarter 2 2014/15

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:

- 98 trusts achieved at least 90% in all three measures, an increase of 5 trusts from 93 trusts in Quarter 1 2014/15.
- 88% of admitted patients were initially assessed for potential dementia in Quarter 2 2014/15, an increase of 2 percentage points from 86% in Quarter 1 2014/15.
- Of the patients initially assessed and found as potentially having dementia, 93% were further assessed in Quarter 2 2014/15, an increase of 1 percentage point from 92% in Quarter 1 2014/15.
- Of the patients who were further assessed and in which the outcome was either positive or inconclusive, 96% were referred on to specialist services in Quarter 2 2014/15, an increase of 2 percentage points from 94% in Quarter 1 2014/15.

- The percentages of trusts in Quarter 2 2014/15 achieving at least 90% in each measure was as follows:
 - 78% (115 Trusts) of the trusts carried out initial assessments for cases of dementia, a large increase from 69% (103 trusts) in Quarter 1 2014/15;
 - 82% (122 trusts) carried out further diagnoses, an increase from 79% (117 trusts) in Quarter 1 2014/15;
 - 83% (123 trusts) referred cases on to specialist services, an increase from 80% (119 trusts) in Quarter 1 2014/15.

- The numbers of data returns submitted by NHS providers of acute funded care were 149, 150 and 151 in July, August and September 2014, respectively, a slight decrease from 152 providers in June 2014, that is, by the end of Quarter 1 2014/15.

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

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