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NHS Information Standards Board	Subject: Data Standards: Treatment Function Code names and descriptions
	Implementation Date: Immediate

DATA SET CHANGE CONTROL PROCEDURE

This paper gives notification of changes to be included in the NHS Data Dictionary and the NHS CDS Manual as appropriate. These will be consolidated into the publications in due course.

Summary of Changes:

Changes to the descriptions of nationally agreed Treatment Function Codes listed in the NHS Data Dictionary.

This DSCN clarifies the use of certain treatment function codes.

The NHS Information Standards Board (ISB) is responsible for approving information standards. The ISB output related to the assurance and sign-off of this standard can be found at www.isb.nhs.uk

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NHS Data Model and Dictionary Service

Reference:	Change Request 715
Version No:	1.4
Subject:	Treatment Function Codes - correction and clarification of names and descriptions
Type of Change:	Clarifications and correction to NHS Data Dictionary
Effective Date:	1 July 2005
Reason for Change:	The Treatment Function code 308 Bone and Marrow Transplantation is incorrect and has been corrected to Blood and Marrow Transplantation. The opportunity has been taken to provide comments for some of the Treatment Functions where users have requested a definition or guidance.

Background:

A need for the maintenance of the Treatment Function list was identified in DSCN 26/2003 (para 18). In response to this the Treatment Function Maintenance Group was set up by the NHS Information Authority and transferred to the Health and Social Care Information Centre. Terms of Reference and Minutes can be found on the Data Standards website:

http://nww.nhsia.nhs.uk/datastandards/pages/specialty_list.asp

In reviewing the Treatment Function list the group identified one correction and some clarifications that should be made available to users. This DSCN specifies the changes required. 308 Bone and Marrow Transplantation has been corrected to Blood and Marrow Transplantation. There have been a number of queries asking what some of the Treatment Functions cover and responses to these queries have been edited to provide guidance in the 'Comments' column of the Treatment Function Codes in 'Supporting Information' in the NHS Data Dictionary. There are no changes to Main Specialty codes.

A further DSCN is planned in September 2005 for implementation in April 2006 which will specify additional Treatment Function Codes.

There are no changes to data standards. This DSCN is for information only.

Summary of changes:

Supporting Information

[MAIN SPECIALTY AND TREATMENT FUNCTION CODES](#) Change to Supporting Information

Date: 31 May 2005

Sponsor: Treatment Function Maintenance Group

Note: Additions shown in highlighted with a blue background. Deletions are shown using strikethrough. Within the Diagrams deleted classes and relationships are shown as red in colour, blue is used for changed items and green is used for created items.

MAIN SPECIALTY AND TREATMENT FUNCTION CODES

Change to Supporting Information: Change to Supporting Information

Specialty Function Codes

MAIN SPECIALTY AND TREATMENT FUNCTION CODES

TREATMENT FUNCTION, rather than the Royal College or Faculty specialty, is required on most activity returns and in the Commissioning Data Sets (CDS). It is based on specialty, but also includes approved sub-specialties and treatment specialties used by lead CARE PROFESSIONALS including hospital CONSULTANTS.

The appropriate TREATMENT FUNCTION CODE can be used by any lead CARE PROFESSIONAL eg Intermediate Care as the TREATMENT FUNCTION CODE for a Nursing Episode.

A full list of TREATMENT FUNCTION CODES follows the MAIN SPECIALTY CODES.

MAIN SPECIALTY CODES are aligned with the specialties recognised in the European Specialist Medical Qualifications Order 1995 and European Primary and Specialist Dental Qualifications Regulations 1998. Pseudo codes should be used in Commissioning Data Set (CDS) messages for lead CARE PROFESSIONALS other than hospital CONSULTANTS eg Nursing Episode.

For further information, contact the NHS Data Model and Dictionary Service; Contact Details.

Code	Main Specialty Title
	Surgical Specialties
100	GENERAL SURGERY
101	UROLOGY
110	TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDICS
120	ENT
130	OPHTHALMOLOGY
140	ORAL SURGERY
141	RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY
142	PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY
143	ORTHODONTICS
145	ORAL & MAXILLO FACIAL SURGERY
146	ENDODONTICS
147	PERIODONTICS
148	PROSTHODONTICS
149	SURGICAL DENTISTRY
150	NEUROSURGERY
160	PLASTIC SURGERY
170	CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY
171	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY
180	ACCIDENT & EMERGENCY
190	ANAESTHETICS
191	no longer in use
192	CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE
	Medical Specialties
300	GENERAL MEDICINE
301	GASTROENTEROLOGY
302	ENDOCRINOLOGY
303	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY
304	CLINICAL PHYSIOLOGY
305	CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY
310	AUDIOLOGICAL MEDICINE
311	CLINICAL GENETICS
312	CLINICAL CYTOGENETICS and MOLECULAR GENETICS
313	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY and ALLERGY
314	REHABILITATION
315	PALLIATIVE MEDICINE
320	CARDIOLOGY
321	PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY
330	DERMATOLOGY
340	THORACIC MEDICINE
350	INFECTIOUS DISEASES
352	TROPICAL MEDICINE
360	GENITO-URINARY MEDICINE
361	NEPHROLOGY
370	MEDICAL ONCOLOGY

	371	NUCLEAR MEDICINE
	400	NEUROLOGY
	401	CLINICAL NEURO-PHYSIOLOGY
	410	RHEUMATOLOGY
	420	PAEDIATRICS
	421	PAEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY
	430	GERIATRIC MEDICINE
	450	DENTAL MEDICINE SPECIALTIES
	460	MEDICAL OPHTHALMOLOGY
†	500	OBSTETRICS and GYNAECOLOGY
	501	OBSTETRICS
	502	GYNAECOLOGY
	510	no longer in use
	520	no longer in use
	560	MIDWIFE EPISODE
	600	GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTICE
	601	GENERAL DENTAL PRACTICE
	610	no longer in use
	620	no longer in use
		Psychiatry
	700	LEARNING DISABILITY
	710	ADULT MENTAL ILLNESS
	711	CHILD and ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY
	712	FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY
	713	PSYCHOTHERAPY
	715	OLD AGE PSYCHIATRY
		Radiology
	800	CLINICAL ONCOLOGY (previously RADIOTHERAPY)
	810	RADIOLOGY
		Pathology
	820	GENERAL PATHOLOGY
	821	BLOOD TRANSFUSION
	822	CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY
	823	HAEMATOLOGY
	824	HISTOPATHOLOGY
	830	IMMUNOPATHOLOGY
	831	MEDICAL MICROBIOLOGY
	832	no longer in use
		Other
	900	COMMUNITY MEDICINE
	901	OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE
	902	COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES DENTAL
	903	PUBLIC HEALTH MEDICINE
	904	PUBLIC HEALTH DENTAL
	950	NURSING EPISODE
	990	no longer in use

†	Code 500 is not acceptable for Central Returns including HES
	Pseudo Main Specialty codes should be used in CDS messages for lead CARE PROFESSIONALS other than CONSULTANT medical and dental staff eg 560 and 950.
	The Main Specialty for GPs 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

Code	Treatment Function Title	Comments
Surgical Specialties		
100	GENERAL SURGERY	
101	UROLOGY	
102	TRANSPLANTATION SURGERY	Includes renal and liver transplants, excludes Cardiothoracic Transplantation
103	BREAST SURGERY	Includes suspected neoplasms, cysts etc, does not include cosmetic surgery
104	COLORECTAL SURGERY	Surgical treatment of disorders of the lower intestine (colon, anus and rectum)
105	HEPATOBIILIARY & PANCREATIC SURGERY	Includes liver surgery but excludes liver transplantation see Transplantation Surgery
106	UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY	new
107	VASCULAR SURGERY	new
Code	Treatment Function Title	Comments
110	TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDICS	
120	ENT	
130	OPHTHALMOLOGY	
140	ORAL SURGERY	
141	RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY	Endodontics, Periodontics and Prosthodontics are all mono-specialties within Restorative Dentistry
142	PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY	
143	ORTHODONTICS	
144	MAXILLO-FACIAL SURGERY	new
Surgical Specialties		
150	NEUROSURGERY	
160	PLASTIC SURGERY	
161	BURNS CARE	To be used by recognised specialist services only – but including 'outreach' facilities
100	GENERAL SURGERY	Includes sub-categories not elsewhere listed eg endocrine surgery.
170	CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY	Should only be used where there are no separate services for Cardiac Surgery and Thoracic

			Surgery
	171	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	
	172	CARDIAC SURGERY	new
	173	THORACIC SURGERY	new
	174	CARDIOTHORACIC TRANSPLANTATION	To be used by recognised specialist services only – but including 'outreach' facilities
	180	ACCIDENT & EMERGENCY	
	190	not a Treatment Function	
	191	PAIN MANAGEMENT	Complex pain disorders requiring diagnosis and treatment by a specialist multi-professional team
	192	CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE	also known as Intensive Care Medicine
101	UROLOGY		
		Medical Specialties	
	300	GENERAL MEDICINE	
	301	GASTROENTEROLOGY	
	302	ENDOCRINOLOGY	
	303	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	
	304	not a Treatment Function	
	305	CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY	
	306	HEPATOLOGY	new
	307	DIABETIC MEDICINE	new
	308	BONE & MARROW TRANSPLANTATION	Previously in Clinical Haematology
	309	HAEMOPHILIA	Previously in Clinical Haematology
	310	AUDIOLOGICAL MEDICINE	
	311	CLINICAL GENETICS	
	312	not a Treatment Function	
	313	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY and ALLERGY	Should only be used where there are no separate services for Clinical Immunology and Allergy
	314	REHABILITATION	
	315	PALLIATIVE MEDICINE	
	316	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY	new
	317	ALLERGY	new
	318	INTERMEDIATE CARE	Intermediate care encompasses a range of multi-disciplinary services designed to safeguard independence by maximising rehabilitation and recovery after

			Illness or injury
	319	RESPITE CARE	new
	320	CARDIOLOGY	
	321	PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY	
	322	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	new
102	TRANSPLANTATION SURGERY	Includes pre- and post-operative care for major organ transplants except heart and lung (see Cardiothoracic Transplantation). Excludes corneal grafts.	
	330	DERMATOLOGY	
	340	THORAGIC MEDICINE	
	341	SLEEP STUDIES	new
103	BREAST SURGERY	Includes treatment for cancer, suspected neoplasms, cysts and post-cancer reconstructive surgery. Excludes cosmetic surgery.	
	350	INFECTIOUS DISEASES	
	352	TROPICAL MEDICINE	new
104	COLORECTAL SURGERY	Surgical treatment of disorders of the lower intestine (colon, anus and rectum)	
	360	GENITO-URINARY MEDICINE	
	361	NEPHROLOGY	
	370	MEDICAL ONCOLOGY	
	371	not a Treatment Function	
	400	NEUROLOGY	
	401	not a Treatment Function	
	410	RHEUMATOLOGY	
	420	PAEDIATRICS	
	421	PAEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY	
	422	NEONATOLOGY	new
	424	WELL BABIES	Care given by the mother/substitute with medical and neonatal nursing advice if needed
	430	GERIATRIC MEDICINE	
	450	DENTAL MEDICINE SPECIALTIES	
	460	MEDICAL OPHTHALMOLOGY	
	500	not a Treatment Function	
	501	OBSTETRICS	
	502	GYNAECOLOGY	
	503	GYNAECOLOGICAL ONCOLOGY	new
105	HEPATOBIILIARY & PANCREATIC SURGERY	Includes liver surgery but excludes liver transplantation see Transplantation Surgery	
	510	not a Treatment Function	Record as Obstetrics; antenatal clinic can be used as a local sub-specialty if required
	520	not a Treatment Function	Record as Obstetrics; postnatal clinic can be used as a local sub-specialty if required
	560	MIDWIFE EPISODE	
	600	not a Treatment Function	
	610	not a Treatment Function	Record as Obstetrics

	620	not a Treatment Function	Use the appropriate function under which the patient is treated
		Psychiatry	
	700	LEARNING DISABILITY	
	710	ADULT MENTAL ILLNESS	
	711	CHILD and ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY	
	712	FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY	
	713	PSYCHOTHERAPY	
	715	OLD AGE PSYCHIATRY	
		Radiology	
	800	CLINICAL ONCOLOGY (previously RADIO THERAPY)	
	810	RADIOLOGY	
	811	INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY	new
106	UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY		
		Pathology	
	820	not a Treatment Function	
	821	not a Treatment Function	
	822	CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY	
	823	not a Treatment Function	See Clinical Haematology
	824	not a Treatment Function	
	830	not a Treatment Function	see Clinical Immunology
	831	not a Treatment Function	See Clinical Microbiology
	832	not a Treatment Function	
		Other	
	900	not a Treatment Function	
	901	not a Treatment Function	
	950	not a Treatment Function	Use the appropriate function under which the patient is treated
	990	not a Treatment Function	
107	VASCULAR SURGERY		
110	TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDICS		
120	ENT		
130	OPHTHALMOLOGY		
140	ORAL SURGERY		
141	RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY	Endodontics, Periodontics and Prosthodontics are all specialties within Restorative Dentistry	
142	PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY		
143	ORTHODONTICS		
144	MAXILLO-FACIAL SURGERY	Mouth, jaw and face related surgery.	
150	NEUROSURGERY		
160	PLASTIC SURGERY		
161	BURNS CARE	To be used by recognised specialist services only - but including 'outreach' facilities	
170	CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY	Should only be used where there are no separate services for Cardiac Surgery and Thoracic Surgery	
171	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY		

172	CARDIAC SURGERY	
173	THORACIC SURGERY	
174	CARDIOTHORACIC TRANSPLANTATION	To be used by recognised specialist services only - but including 'outreach' facilities. Includes pre- and post-operative services.
180	ACCIDENT & EMERGENCY	
190	not a Treatment Function	
191	PAIN MANAGEMENT	Complex pain disorders requiring diagnosis and treatment by a specialist multi-professional team
192	CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE	also known as Intensive Care Medicine
	Medical Specialties	
300	GENERAL MEDICINE	Includes sub-categories not elsewhere listed eg metabolic medicine.
301	GASTROENTEROLOGY	
302	ENDOCRINOLOGY	
303	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	
304	not a Treatment Function	
305	CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY	
306	HEPATOLOGY	
307	DIABETIC MEDICINE	
308	BLOOD AND MARROW TRANSPLANTATION	Previously in Clinical Haematology. Includes haemopoietic stem cell transplantation.
309	HAEMOPHILIA	Previously in Clinical Haematology
310	AUDIOLOGICAL MEDICINE	The medical specialty concerned with the investigation, diagnosis and management of patients with disorders of balance, hearing, tinnitus and auditory communication. Excludes audiology and hearing tests.
311	CLINICAL GENETICS	To be used by recognised specialist services only - but including 'outreach' facilities.
312	not a Treatment Function	
313	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY and ALLERGY	Should only be used where there are no separate services for Clinical Immunology and Allergy
314	REHABILITATION	
315	PALLIATIVE MEDICINE	
316	CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY	
317	ALLERGY	The diagnosis and management of allergic disease (abnormal immune responses to external substances) and the exclusion of allergic causes in other conditions.
318	INTERMEDIATE CARE	Intermediate care encompasses a range of multi-disciplinary services designed to safeguard independence by maximising rehabilitation and recovery after illness or injury
319	RESPITE CARE	
320	CARDIOLOGY	
321	PAEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY	
322	CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY	
330	DERMATOLOGY	
340	THORACIC MEDICINE	also known as Respiratory Medicine
341	SLEEP STUDIES	The diagnosis and treatment of sleep disordered breathing, including upper airway resistance syndrome and sleep apnoea.
350	INFECTIOUS DISEASES	
352	TROPICAL MEDICINE	
360	GENITO-URINARY MEDICINE	
361	NEPHROLOGY	
370	MEDICAL ONCOLOGY	The diagnosis and treatment, typically with chemotherapy, of patients with cancer.
371	not a Treatment Function	
400	NEUROLOGY	
401	not a Treatment Function	

410	RHEUMATOLOGY	
420	PAEDIATRICS	
421	PAEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY	
422	NEONATOLOGY	Special Care, High Dependency and Intensive Care.
424	WELL BABIES	Care given by the mother/substitute with medical and neonatal nursing advice if needed
430	GERIATRIC MEDICINE	
450	DENTAL MEDICINE SPECIALTIES	Includes oral medicine, and dental and maxillo-facial radiology.
460	MEDICAL OPHTHALMOLOGY	
500	not a Treatment Function	
501	OBSTETRICS	The management of pregnancy and childbirth including miscarriages but excluding planned terminations.
502	GYNAECOLOGY	Disorders of the female reproductive system. Includes planned terminations.
503	GYNAECOLOGICAL ONCOLOGY	
510	no longer in use	Record as Obstetrics, antenatal clinic can be used as a local sub-specialty if required
520	no longer in use	Record as Obstetrics, postnatal clinic can be used as a local sub-specialty if required
560	MIDWIFE EPISODE	
600	not a Treatment Function	
610	no longer in use	Record as Obstetrics
620	no longer in use	Use the appropriate function under which the patient is treated
	Psychiatry	
700	LEARNING DISABILITY	
710	ADULT MENTAL ILLNESS	
711	CHILD and ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY	
712	FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY	
713	PSYCHOTHERAPY	
715	OLD AGE PSYCHIATRY	
	Radiology	
800	CLINICAL ONCOLOGY (previously RADIOTHERAPY)	The diagnosis and treatment, typically with radiotherapy, of patients with cancer.
810	RADIOLOGY	
811	INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY	
	Pathology	
820	not a Treatment Function	
821	not a Treatment Function	
822	CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY	
823	not a Treatment Function	See Clinical Haematology
824	not a Treatment Function	
830	not a Treatment Function	see Clinical Immunology
831	not a Treatment Function	See Clinical Microbiology
832	no longer in use	
	Other	
900	not a Treatment Function	
901	not a Treatment Function	
950	not a Treatment Function	Use the appropriate function under which the patient is treated
990	no longer in use	

Treatment Function Codes should be used for all aggregate central returns unless otherwise stated eg Workforce returns use Main Specialty Codes

GP and Nurse activity should be recorded against the Treatment Function under which the patient is treated
Joint Consultant Clinic activity should be recorded against the Treatment Function which best describes the specialised service

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