

Sponsor:	Implementation Date: 1 st April 2007
<h1>Department of Health</h1>	Subject: Quarterly Monitoring Accident and Emergency Services (QMAE) Central Return
<p>DATA SET CHANGE NOTICE</p> <p>This paper informs users of changes to the NHS Data Model or the NHS Data Dictionary that have been approved by the NHS Information Standards Board</p>	
<p>Summary:</p> <p>Providers of NHS services are currently mandated to submit the Quarterly Monitoring Accident and Emergency Central Return (known as QMAE) to the Department of Health. The return covers attendances at accident and emergency departments including minor injury units and NHS walk in centres.</p> <p>At this time, this return is not included in the NHS Data Model and Dictionary. This Data Set Change Notice is to include the current return into the NHS Data Model and Dictionary.</p>	
<p>Datasets / return affected:</p> <p>QMAE – Quarterly Monitoring of Accident and Emergency Services</p>	
<p>Impact of Change:</p>	
<p>Service: Minor</p>	<p>System Suppliers: Minor</p>
<p>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/docs/dscn04-2007output.pdf</p> <p>The ISB submission documents relating to the approval of this standard can be found at http://www.isb.nhs.uk/docs/QMAE-ISB-Change-Submission-Feb-2007-V1.0.pdf</p> <p>More information about the ISB can be found at www.isb.nhs.uk Data set change notices can be found at www.connectingforhealth.nhs.uk/dscn</p>	

Change Request

NHS Connecting for Health

NHS Data Model and Dictionary Service

Reference:	Change Request 786
Version No:	1
Subject:	QMAE - Quarterly Monitoring: Accident and Emergency Services
Type of Change:	Change to the NHS Data Model and Dictionary
Effective Date:	1 April 2007
Reason for Change:	To incorporate the Department of Health Quarterly Monitoring Accident and Emergency Services (QMAE) Central Return into the NHS Data Model and Dictionary.

Background:

NHS providers of Accident and Emergency services report the Quarterly Monitoring Accident and Emergency (QMAE) Central Return to the Department of Health via Unify, an online data collection system. NHS providers enter their data onto Unify either directly or by uploading a spreadsheet.

This Data Set Change Notice details the changes required to update the NHS Data Model and Dictionary to reflect the Quarterly Monitoring Accident and Emergency (QMAE) Central Return.

Summary of changes:

Data Elements

A+E DEPARTMENT TYPE	Change to Relationships
ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND	New Data Element
ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION TOTAL PER WAIT BAND	New Data Element
ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND	New Data Element
ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL	New Data Element
ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL PER WAIT BAND	New Data Element
ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TYPE TOTAL	New Data Element
ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FIRST ATTENDANCE TOTAL	New Data Element
ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP ATTENDANCE TOTAL	New Data Element

Dataset

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY QUARTERLY MONITORING	New Dataset
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Supporting Information

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY QUARTERLY MONITORING INTRODUCTION	New Supporting Information
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Date: 31 January 2007

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Note: New text is shown with a blue background. Deleted text is crossed out. Within the Diagrams deleted classes and relationships are red, changed items are blue and new items are green.

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY QUARTERLY MONITORING

Change to Dataset: New Dataset

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY QUARTERLY MONITORING

Accident and Emergency Quarterly Monitoring - Central Return (Known as the QMAE - Monitoring of key targets and standards)

This data set carries the data for monitoring key targets and standards on services provided by NHS Trusts and Primary Care Trusts. It should be used to record information on Accident and Emergency Departments, Minor Injury Units and Walk-In Centres.

Accident and Emergency Quarterly Monitoring Central Return Data Elements

Providing Organisation:

To carry the details of the organisation providing Accident and Emergency Services.

One occurrence of this group is permitted.

REPORTING PERIOD START DATE

REPORTING PERIOD END DATE

ORGANISATION CODE (CODE OF PROVIDER)

Parts 1 & 2: Number of Accident and Emergency attendances at Accident and Emergency Departments:

To carry the number of Accident and Emergency attendances by Accident and Emergency Department Type.

One occurrence per department type is permitted.

A+E DEPARTMENT TYPE

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TYPE TOTAL

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FIRST ATTENDANCE TOTAL

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP ATTENDANCE TOTAL

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL

Part 3: Accident and Emergency Waiting Times:

To carry the details of the total time spent in Accident and Emergency from arrival time to departure time.

One occurrence per Accident and Emergency Department type per wait band is permitted.

A+E DEPARTMENT TYPE

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL PER WAIT BAND

Part 4: Emergency Admissions through Accident and Emergency Departments:

To carry the details of the number of patients admitted through the Accident and Emergency Department and their wait from Accident and Emergency Attendance Conclusion Time to Accident and Emergency Departure Time.

One occurrence per Accident and Emergency Department type per wait band is permitted.

A+E DEPARTMENT TYPE

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION TOTAL PER WAIT BAND

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY QUARTERLY MONITORING INTRODUCTION

Change to Supporting Information: New Supporting Information

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY QUARTERLY MONITORING INTRODUCTION

Contextual Overview

The Department of Health (DH) requires information on services provided by NHS providers of Accident and Emergency services and this information is collected on the DH central return form, Quarterly Monitoring Accident and Emergency (QMAE).

The QMAE central return provides essential information for monitoring key targets and standards in the Priorities and Planning Framework 2003-2006 for Accident And Emergency Departments, National Codes:

01 *Emergency departments are a consultant led 24 hour service with full resuscitation facilities and designated accommodation for the reception of accident and emergency PATIENTS ,*

02 *Consultant led mono specialty accident and emergency service (e.g. ophthalmology, dental) with designated accommodation for the reception of PATIENTS,*

03 *Other type of A&E/minor injury ACTIVITY with designated accommodation for the reception of accident and emergency PATIENTS. The department may be doctor led or nurse led and treats at least minor injuries and illnesses and can be routinely accessed without appointment. A service mainly or entirely appointment based (for example a GP practice or outpatient clinic) is excluded even though it may treat a number of patients with minor illness or injury. Excludes NHS walk-in centres,*

04 *NHS walk in centres*

Reporting

The QMAE is a quarterly return with the first quarter starting on 1 April and the last quarter ending on 31 March.

Returns must be submitted by 15 working days after the end of the quarter.

The QMAE is a provider based return not a commissioning return. A Primary Care Trust should only complete the return for the services it provides, not those it commissions from local NHS Trusts. Examples of services provided could be a minor injury unit or NHS walk-in centre managed by the Primary Care Trust.

Independent Sector organisations that provide NHS funded care are asked to provide the QMAE on a voluntary basis.

The data is entered via Unify, an online data collection system. NHS providers enter their data onto Unify either directly or by uploading a spreadsheet.

Quarterly Monitoring Accident & Emergency Services (QMAE) Central Return

The QMAE requires the REPORTING PERIOD START DATE, REPORTING PERIOD END DATE and the ORGANISATION CODE (CODE OF PROVIDER).

- **Part 1:** Number of A+E DEPARTMENT TYPES.
- **Part 2:** Number of First and Follow-up Accident And Emergency Attendances per A+E DEPARTMENT TYPE.
- **Part 3:** ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL PER WAIT BAND per A+E DEPARTMENT TYPE.
- **Part 4:** ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION TOTAL PER WAIT BAND per A+E DEPARTMENT TYPE.

A+E DEPARTMENT TYPE

Change to Data Element: Change to Relationships

Ink ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TYPE (created)

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND

Format/length: n2
HES item:
National Codes:
Default Codes:

Notes:

The time band for the number of hours wait for those PATIENTS where the A+E ATTENDANCE DISPOSAL is National Code 01 - *Admitted to hospital bed/became a LODGED PATIENT of the same Health Care Provider.*

This is the number of hours between the A+E ATTENDANCE CONCLUSION TIME to A+E DEPARTURE TIME. This is expressed as below: -

- 1 less than 2 hours
- 2 2 to less than 4 hours
- 3 4 or more hours
- 99 Time spent not recorded

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSIONS NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION TOTAL PER WAIT BAND

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION TOTAL PER WAIT BAND

Format/length: n6
HES item:
National Codes:
Default Codes:

Notes:

The number of Accident And Emergency Attendances where the A+E ATTENDANCE DISPOSAL is National Code 01 - *Admitted to hospital bed/became a LODGED PATIENT of the same Health Care Provider* by ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSION NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND.

This is derived from the A+E ATTENDANCE CONCLUSION TIME in the Accident And Emergency Department to the A+E DEPARTURE TIME.

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSIONS TOTAL PER WAIT BAND

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND

Format/length:	n2
HES item:	
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

The time band for the number of hours wait between the ARRIVAL TIME and A+E DEPARTURE TIME. This is expressed as below: -

- 1 less than 1 hour
- 2 1 to less than 2 hours
- 3 2 to less than 3 hours
- 4 3 to less than 4 hours
- 5 4 hours or more
- 99 Time spent not recorded

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCES NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL

Format/length:	n6
HES item:	
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

The total number of First and Follow-up Accident And Emergency Attendances to the same ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TYPE.

See A+E ATTENDANCE CATEGORY for the definition of first and follow-up Accident And Emergency Attendances.

This excludes attendances at a Consultant Clinic.

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCES TOTAL

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL PER WAIT BAND

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE TOTAL PER WAIT BAND

Format/length:	n6
HES item:	
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

This is the number of PATIENTS waiting in an Accident And Emergency Department by ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCE NUMBER OF HOURS WAIT BAND.

This is derived from the ARRIVAL TIME in the Accident And Emergency Department to the A+E DEPARTURE TIME.

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ATTENDANCES TOTAL PER WAIT BAND

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TYPE TOTAL

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TYPE TOTAL

Format/length:	n2
HES item:	
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

The total number of Accident And Emergency Departments for an ORGANISATION by ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TYPE.

For example, an ORGANISATION may have two National Code: 01 *Emergency departments* and also one National Code: 04 *NHS walk in centre*.

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS TYPE TOTAL

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FIRST ATTENDANCE TOTAL

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FIRST ATTENDANCE TOTAL

Format/length: n6
HES item:
National Codes:
Default Codes:

Notes:

The total number of Accident And Emergency Attendances to the same Accident And Emergency Department where the A+E ATTENDANCE CATEGORY is National Code 1 - *First Accident and Emergency Attendance - the first in a series, or the only attendance, in a particular Accident And Emergency episode.*

Note: This excludes attendances at a Consultant Clinic.

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FIRST ATTENDANCES TOTAL

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP ATTENDANCE TOTAL

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP ATTENDANCE TOTAL

Format/length: n6
HES item:
National Codes:
Default Codes:

Notes:

The total number of Accident And Emergency Attendances to the same Accident And Emergency Department where the A+E ATTENDANCE CATEGORY is:

National Code 2 - *Follow-up Accident And Emergency Attendance - planned: a subsequent planned attendance at the same department, and for the same incident as the first attendance or*

National Code 3 - *Follow-up Accident And Emergency Attendance - unplanned: a subsequent unplanned attendance at the same department, for the same incident as the first attendance.*

Note: This excludes attendances at a Consultant Clinic.

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP ATTENDANCES TOTAL