



## Information Standards Board

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Sponsor: <b>NHS Health &amp; Social Care Information Centre</b>	Subject: <b>Data Standards: New Treatment Functions for therapy services and anticoagulant service</b>
	Implementation Date: <b>1 April 2006</b>

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### 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.

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#### Summary of Changes:

Changes to Treatment Function codes in the NHS Data Dictionary. These comprise:

- New Treatment Function codes for therapy services and anticoagulant service
- Change to definition for 190 Anaesthetics used as a Treatment Function which overrides that given in DSCN 17/2005

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The ISB output from the DSCN can be found <http://www.isb.nhs.uk/docs/cp763DSCNoutput.doc>

#### NHS Data Model and Dictionary Service

<b>Reference:</b>	Change Request 763
<b>Version No:</b>	1.12
<b>Subject:</b>	Data Standards: New Treatment Functions for therapy services and anticoagulant service
<b>Type of Change:</b>	Update to NHS Data Dictionary
<b>Effective Date:</b>	1 April 2006
<b>Reason for Change:</b>	There is a growing requirement for patient-based activity carried out by Allied Health Professionals to be exchanged electronically to support local and national planning, analysis and commissioning. Changes to data standards will allow the information to be exchanged via the Commissioning Data Set messages without changing the structure of the messages. A Treatment Function to separately identify Anticoagulant Services from Clinical Haematology has been introduced at the request of the Payment by Results team. The definition for 190 Anaesthetics has been widened to include preoperative screening at the request of clinicians and users. This is a change to DSCN 2005/17 and overrides that restricted definition.

#### Background:

DSCN 2005/17 introduced new Treatment Functions for a number of Paediatric and Psychiatric sub-divisions. It also introduced the functionality to record the activity of Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) but without providing any new Treatment Functions to identify their activity.

This DSCN addresses the requirement for new Treatment Functions for the activity of a selection of Allied Health Professionals. The Treatment Functions for AHPs, with the exception of Clinical Psychology, have been taken from the Health Professions Council website: [www.hpc-uk.org](http://www.hpc-uk.org)

The recording and transmission of Allied Health Professionals activity via the Commissioning Data Sets is optional but recommended. These changes should not affect health care given but should provide a better description of the care the individual has received. DSCN 2005/17 provides more guidance on the recording of AHP activity.

There are no changes to Main Specialty.

#### Summary of changes:

##### Supporting Information

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

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**Date:** 7 December 2005

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**Note:** New text is indicated with blue highlighting. Deleted text is indicated by a strikethrough. Within the Diagrams deleted classes and relationships are red, changed items are blue and new items are green.

#### MAIN SPECIALTY AND TREATMENT FUNCTION CODES

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## Specialty Function Codes

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### 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 (Table 2) follows the MAIN SPECIALTY CODES (Table 1).

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.

**Table 1 Main Specialty codes**

	Code	Main Specialty Title
		<b>Surgical Specialties</b>
	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
		<b>Medical Specialties</b>
	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	RESPIRATORY MEDICINE (also known as 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
	960	ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL 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 clinic	

**Table 2 Treatment Function codes**

Code	Treatment Function Title	Comments
	<b>Surgical Specialties</b>	
100	GENERAL SURGERY	Includes sub-categories not elsewhere listed eg endocrine surgery.
101	UROLOGY	
102	TRANSPLANTATION SURGERY	Includes pre- and post-operative care for major organ transplants except heart and lung (see Cardiothoracic Transplantation). Excludes corneal grafts.
103	BREAST SURGERY	Includes treatment for cancer, suspected neoplasms, cysts and post-cancer reconstructive surgery. Excludes 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 liver transplantation should be recorded in 102 Transplantation Surgery
106	UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY	
107	VASCULAR SURGERY	
110	TRAUMA & ORTHOPAEDICS	
120	ENT	Ear, nose and throat
130	OPHTHALMOLOGY	
140	ORAL SURGERY	
141	RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY	Endodontics, Periodontics and Prosthodontics are all part of 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 units and associated outreach services only
170	CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY	Should only be used where there are no separate services for Cardiac Surgery and Thoracic Surgery

171	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	This is paediatric general surgery
172	CARDIAC SURGERY	
173	THORACIC SURGERY	
174	CARDIOTHORACIC TRANSPLANTATION	To be used by recognised specialist units and associated outreach services only. Includes pre- and post-operative services.
180	ACCIDENT & EMERGENCY	
<del>190</del>	<del>ANAESTHETICS</del>	<del>This can be used in out-patients only, and only in clinics for specific specialist conditions such as screening for plasma cholinase deficiency. Standard preoperative screening is excluded. Pain Management should be recorded in 191.</del>
190	ANAESTHETICS	This can be used in out-patients only. Pain Management should be recorded in 191.
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
	<del>Children's Specialties</del>	
	Other Children's Specialties	
211	PAEDIATRIC UROLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
212	PAEDIATRIC TRANSPLANTATION SURGERY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
213	PAEDIATRIC GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff. Includes Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery and Colorectal Surgery.
214	PAEDIATRIC TRAUMA AND ORTHOPAEDICS	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff.
215	PAEDIATRIC EAR NOSE AND THROAT	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
216	PAEDIATRIC OPHTHALMOLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
217	PAEDIATRIC MAXILLO-FACIAL SURGERY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
218	PAEDIATRIC NEUROSURGERY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
219	PAEDIATRIC PLASTIC SURGERY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
220	PAEDIATRIC BURNS CARE	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
221	PAEDIATRIC CARDIAC SURGERY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
222	PAEDIATRIC THORACIC SURGERY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
241	PAEDIATRIC PAIN MANAGEMENT	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
242	PAEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE	Only to be used by designated Paediatric Intensive Care Units
251	PAEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
252	PAEDIATRIC ENDOCRINOLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
253	PAEDIATRIC CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
254	PAEDIATRIC AUDIOLOGICAL MEDICINE	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
255	PAEDIATRIC CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND ALLERGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
256	PAEDIATRIC INFECTIOUS DISEASES	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
257	PAEDIATRIC DERMATOLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
258	PAEDIATRIC RESPIRATORY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and

	MEDICINE	support staff
259	PAEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
260	PAEDIATRIC MEDICAL ONCOLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
261	PAEDIATRIC METABOLIC DISEASE	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
262	PAEDIATRIC RHEUMATOLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
280	PAEDIATRIC INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and support staff
290	COMMUNITY PAEDIATRICS	Includes routine health surveillance, health promotion, behavioural paediatrics and looked-after children. Excludes Paediatric Neuro-Disability.
291	PAEDIATRIC NEURO-DISABILITY	Dedicated services for children with Cerebral Palsy and non-progressive handicapping neurological conditions, with or without learning disability.
	Medical Specialties	
300	GENERAL MEDICINE	Includes sub-categories not elsewhere listed eg metabolic medicine.
301	GASTROENTEROLOGY	
302	ENDOCRINOLOGY	
<del>303</del>	<del>CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY</del>	
303	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	Excludes ANTICOAGULANT SERVICE see 324
304	not a Treatment Function	
305	CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY	
306	HEPATOLOGY	Also known as liver medicine
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 units and associated outreach services only.
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	
323	SPINAL INJURIES	To be used by recognised specialist units and associated outreach services only.
324	ANTICOAGULANT SERVICE	The monitoring and control of anticoagulant therapy including the initiation and/or supervision of oral anticoagulant therapy and the determination of anticoagulant dosage. This can be used in out-patients only.

330	DERMATOLOGY	
340	RESPIRATORY MEDICINE	also known as Thoracic 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.
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
	Therapies	
650	PHYSIOTHERAPY	The treatment of human function and movement to help people to achieve their full physical potential. The use of physical approaches to promote, maintain and restore wellbeing.
651	OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	The use of specific activities to limit the effects of disability and promote independence in all aspects of daily life.
652	SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPY	The assessment, treatment and help to prevent speech, language and swallowing difficulties.
653	PODIATRY	Also known as Chiropody. The diagnosis and treatment of disorders, diseases and deformities of the feet.
654	DIETETICS	The application of the science of nutrition to devise eating plans for patients to treat medical conditions. The promotion of good health by helping to facilitate a positive change in food choices amongst individuals, groups and communities.
655	ORTHOPTICS	The diagnosis and treatment of visual problems involving eye movement and alignment.
656	CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY	The diagnosis and treatment of emotional and behavioural disorders.
	Psychiatry	
700	LEARNING DISABILITY	
710	ADULT MENTAL ILLNESS	



711	CHILD and ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY	
712	FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY	
713	PSYCHOTHERAPY	
715	OLD AGE PSYCHIATRY	
720	EATING DISORDERS	A specialist psychiatric service for the diagnosis and treatment of eating disorders including anorexia, bulimia and compulsive overeating.
721	ADDICTION SERVICES	The psychiatric prevention and treatment of substance misuse including drugs and alcohol
722	LIAISON PSYCHIATRY	The provision of psychiatric treatment to patients attending general hospitals including out-patient clinics, accident and emergency departments and admission to wards. Deals with the interface between physical and psychological health.
723	PSYCHIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE	The provision of psychiatric services to vulnerable individuals who are admitted to Psychiatric Intensive Care Units from open acute wards and forensic settings.
724	PERINATAL PSYCHIATRY	A specialist psychiatric service for the diagnosis and treatment of post-natal psychiatric problems.
	Radiology	
800	CLINICAL ONCOLOGY (previously RADIOTHERAPY)	The diagnosis and treatment, typically with radiotherapy, of patients with cancer.
810	not a Treatment Function	
811	INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY	Not to be used for diagnostic imaging.
	Pathology	
820	not a Treatment Function	
821	not a Treatment Function	
822	CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY	To be used for clinical management only.
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
960	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, Nurse and Allied Health Professional 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