

Sponsor:	Implementation Date: 1 st October 2007
<h1>Department Of Health</h1>	Subject: Extension of Treatment Function to support the measurement of 18 week Referral to Treatment Periods
<p>DATA SET CHANGE NOTICE</p> <p>This paper informs users of the approval of changes to an approved Information Standard by the NHS Information Standards Board</p>	
<p>Summary:</p> <p>Delivering an 18 week patient pathway from GP referral to the start of treatment by the end of 2008 is a key objective for the NHS. DSCN 10/2006 gave advance notice of changes to enable the national measurement of Referral to Treatment times, including notice of the intent to extend Treatment Function to include diagnostic activity.</p> <p>This DSCN provides details of the following additional Treatment Function Codes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Physiology • Clinical Neurophysiology • Nuclear Medicine • Diagnostic Imaging • Audiology <p>In addition, Sleep Studies has been renamed Respiratory Physiology.</p> <p>The recording and transmission of activity under the new Treatment Function Codes via the Commissioning Data Sets is optional. DSCN 10/2006 gave advance notice of the intent to make the recording and transmission of activity under these new Treatment Function Codes via the Commissioning Data Sets mandatory from April 2008. This is subject to ISB approval.</p>	
<p>Datasets / return affected:</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/dscn02-2007output.pdf.</p> <p>The ISB submission documents relating to the approval of this standard can be found at http://www.isb.nhs.uk/docs/Extension-to-Treatment-Functions.pdf 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 826
Version No:	1.6
Subject:	Expansion of Treatment Function Codes
Type of Change:	Changes to NHS Data Standards
Effective Date:	1 October 2007
Reason for Change:	To support the collection of data enabling all activities during the Referral To Treatment Periods to be recorded and transmitted to the Secondary Uses Service.

Background:

Delivering an 18 week patient pathway from GP referral to the start of treatment by the end of 2008 is a key objective for the NHS. DSCN 10/2006 gave advanced notice of changes to enable the national measurement of Referral To Treatment times, including notice of the intent to extend Treatment Function to include diagnostic activity.

This DSCN provides details of the following additional Treatment Function Codes.

- Clinical Physiology
- Clinical Neurophysiology
- Nuclear Medicine
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Audiology

In addition, Sleep Studies has been renamed Respiratory Physiology

This DSCN updates the NHS Data Dictionary to enable Data Collection and transmission to support the strategic approach for the measurement of the length of this period. The Data Dictionary will be updated early to reflect the new codes so that organisations can prepare for transmission of activity prior to the implementation date of 1st October 2007.

The recording and transmission of activity under the new Treatment Function Codes via the Commissioning Data Sets is optional. These changes should not affect health care given but should provide a better description of the care the individual has received.

Where Trusts provide a service described by one of the new Treatment Function Codes they should implement it after the appropriate consultation with clinicians and commissioners. The changes are purely to reference data and do not change the structure of any data item in the Commissioning Data Sets. Guidance for the use of new Treatment Function Codes is included in the comments column of the Treatment Function table within the Data Dictionary.

Trusts are advised to use the relevant Treatment Function Codes in CDS messages and not automatically repeat the Main Specialty Codes where this is not appropriate. This is underlined by the Payment by Results use of Treatment Function rather than Main Specialty.

There are no changes to Main Specialty.

Summary of changes:

Class Definitions

[MAIN SPECIALTY](#)

Change to Description

Attribute Definitions

[TREATMENT FUNCTION CODE](#)

Change to Description

Supporting Information

[MAIN SPECIALTY AND TREATMENT FUNCTION CODES](#)

Change to Supporting Information

Date: 25 January 2007

Sponsor: Nick Chapman, Department of Health 18 Weeks Team

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.

MAIN SPECIALTY AND TREATMENT FUNCTION CODES

Change to Supporting Information: Change to Supporting Information

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 datastandards@nhs.net.

Table 1 Main Specialty codes

	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	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.
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	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
Surgical Specialties		
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	
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
	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	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and

	SURGERY	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 MEDICINE	Dedicated services to children with appropriate facilities and 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	
303	CLINICAL HAEMATOLOGY	Excludes ANTICOAGULANT SERVICE see 324
304	not a Treatment Function	
304	CLINICAL PHYSIOLOGY	Physiological measurement including ECG (e.g. exercise testing, stress testing), gastrointestinal physiology, cardiac physiology.

		vascular technology, urodynamics, and ophthalmic and vision science. Does not include Clinical Neurophysiology, Audiology or Respiratory Physiology.
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	RESPIRE 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.
341	RESPIRATORY PHYSIOLOGY	Physiological measurement of the function of the respiratory system. Includes 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	
371	NUCLEAR MEDICINE	
400	NEUROLOGY	

40+	not a Treatment Function	
401	CLINICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGY	The study of the central and peripheral nervous systems through the recording of bioelectrical activity. Includes EEG.
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.
812	DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING	The production and interpretation of high quality images of the body to diagnose injuries and disease, e.g. x-rays, ultrasound, MRI, PET or CT scans.
	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	
840	AUDIOLOGY	Physiological measurement and diagnosis of hearing disorders, and the rehabilitation of patients with hearing loss.
	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~~

GP, Nurse and Allied Health Professional/Biomedical Scientist/Clinical Scientist 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

MAIN SPECIALTY

Change to Class: Change to Description

Specialties are divisions of clinical work which may be defined by body systems (dermatology), age (paediatrics),

clinical technology (nuclear medicine), clinical function (rheumatology), group of diseases (oncology) or combinations of these factors. Only Specialty titles recognised by the Royal Colleges and Faculties should be used. This list is maintained by the European Specialist Medical Qualifications Order 1995 and European Primary and Specialist Dental Qualifications Regulations 1998.

Each CONSULTANT should be assigned a MAIN SPECIALTY by the ORGANISATION to which the CONSULTANT is contracted. For physicians and surgeons with a generalist component to their work, the MAIN SPECIALTY should be general medicine or general surgery. The hallmark of a general physician or general surgeon is the continued care of unselected emergency referrals. The MAIN SPECIALTY is specific to a Health Care Provider. If, for example, a CONSULTANT physician working in two Health Care Providers has a generalist component to the work in one and not the other, general medicine is only assigned as the MAIN SPECIALTY in the former case. CONSULTANTS in general medicine or general surgery may also have specialist interests and these should be recorded as well as the MAIN SPECIALTY.

The initial source of the information should be the designation on the CONSULTANT's contract. This should be checked periodically against the work a CONSULTANT is actually doing so that the statistics can relate to a CONSULTANT's current type of work.

The MAIN SPECIALTY only should be used for the purpose of producing Specialty costing statistics and for Workforce statistics where links with activity and finance are required. Other specialist interests of CONSULTANTS may be recorded for workforce planning purposes.

This will be used to indicate the skill level of medical and dental employees.

Main Specialty code 960 ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EPISODE should be used for recording activity by Allied Health Professionals and other Biomedical Scientists and Clinical Scientists.

This class is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	MAIN SPECIALTIES

TREATMENT FUNCTION CODE

Change to Attribute: Change to Description

A unique identifier for a TREATMENT FUNCTION.

The appropriate TREATMENT FUNCTION CODE should be used to record activity undertaken, irrespective of the type of Healthcare Professional who performs it, even where the name of the TREATMENT FUNCTION CODE suggests it is limited for use by a particular Healthcare Profession.

This attribute is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	TREATMENT FUNCTION CODES

For further information about the use of Treatment Function Codes contact the NHS Data Standards and Products team
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