

NHS Data Model and Dictionary



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Subject:	Practitioners with a Special Interest Name Change
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Background:

The NHS Data Model and Dictionary currently has definitions of:

- General Practitioner with a Special Interest
- Dentist with a Special Interest
- Practitioner with a Special Interest.

The term General Practitioner with a Special Interest has been replaced with General Practitioner with an Extended Role (GPwER), as per the Royal College of General Practitioners website at: [General Practitioners with Extended Roles](#).

The term Dentist with a Special Interest has been replaced with Dentist with Enhanced Skills (DES), as per the NHS England website at: [Guide for Commissioning Oral Surgery and Oral Medicine](#).

Practitioner with a Special Interest is a term that is no longer in use so is retired from the NHS Data Model and Dictionary.

This Data Dictionary Change Notice (DDCN) updates the NHS Data Model and Dictionary:

- To reflect current terminology
- To update the following items that reference the updated definitions:
 - NHS Business Definition:
 - Interface Service
 - Attributes:
 - Care Professional Operating Surgeon Type For Cancer
 - Referral To Treatment Period Start Date
 - Referring Care Professional Staff Group For Mental Health And Community Care
 - Source Of Referral For Out-Patients.

To view a demonstration on "How to Read an NHS Data Model and Dictionary Change Request", visit the NHS Data Model and Dictionary help pages at: https://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/Flash_Files/changerequest.htm.

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Summary of changes:

Supporting Information

DENTIST WITH ENHANCED SKILLS renamed from DENTIST WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST	Changed Name, Description
GENERAL PRACTITIONER WITH AN EXTENDED ROLE renamed from GENERAL PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST	Changed Name, Description
GUMCAD SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTION SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM DATA SET OVERVIEW	Changed Description
INTERFACE SERVICE	Changed Description
PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST (RETIRED) renamed from PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST	Changed Name, Description, status to Retired

Attribute Definitions

CARE PROFESSIONAL OPERATING SURGEON TYPE FOR CANCER	Changed Description
REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD START DATE	Changed Description
REFERRING CARE PROFESSIONAL STAFF GROUP FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY CARE	Changed Description
SOURCE OF REFERRAL FOR OUT-PATIENTS	Changed Description

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

DENTIST WITH ENHANCED SKILLS renamed from **DENTIST WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST**

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Name, Description

A ~~Dentist with a Special Interest (DwSI)~~ is a ~~Practitioner with a Special Interest (PwSI)~~. A [Dentist with Enhanced Skills \(DES\)](#) is a [GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONER](#).

A ~~Dentist with a Special Interest~~ is a ~~GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONER~~. The [NHS England website at: Dental publications](#) defines complexity levels that reflect the competency required to deliver care of each complexity.

A [Dentist with a Special Interest](#) provides ~~special interest dental services in addition to having a generalist role~~. A [Dentist with Enhanced Skills](#) can be accredited as a Performer of Level 2 Complexity Care.

DENTIST WITH ENHANCED SKILLS_ renamed from DENTIST WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Name, Description

- Changed Name from Data_Dictionary.NHS_Business_Definitions.D.Dentist_With_A_Special_Interest to Data_Dictionary.NHS_Business_Definitions.D.Dentist_with_Enhanced_Skills
- Changed Description

GENERAL PRACTITIONER WITH AN EXTENDED ROLE_ renamed from GENERAL PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Name, Description

~~A [General Practitioner with a Special Interest \(GPwSI\)](#) is a [Practitioner with a Special Interest \(PwSI\)](#). A [General Practitioner with an Extended Role \(GPwER\)](#) is a [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#).~~

~~A [General Practitioner with a Special Interest](#) is a [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#). A [General Practitioner with an Extended Role](#) is a [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#) who undertakes, in addition to their core general practice, a role that is beyond the scope of [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#) training and membership of the [Royal College of General Practitioners](#) and requires further training.~~

~~[General Practitioners with Special Interests](#) in a clinical area have to be accredited in line with competency frameworks, launched by the [Department of Health and Social Care](#), [Royal College of General Practitioners \(RCGP\)](#) and [Royal Pharmaceutical Society](#). There is no national standard accreditation for [General Practitioners with Extended Roles](#) (as at Autumn 2019) with the exception for those working in dermatology.~~

~~For further information on [General Practitioners with Special Interests](#), see the [Royal College of General Practitioners](#) website at: [General Practitioners with Extended Roles](#). For further information on [General Practitioners with Extended Roles](#), see the [Royal College of General Practitioners](#) website at: [General Practitioners with Extended Roles](#).~~

GENERAL PRACTITIONER WITH AN EXTENDED ROLE_ renamed from GENERAL PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Name, Description

- Changed Name from Data_Dictionary.NHS_Business_Definitions.G.General_Practitioner_With_A_Special_Interest to Data_Dictionary.NHS_Business_Definitions.G.General_Practitioner_with_an_Extended_Role
- Changed Description

GUMCAD SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTION SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM DATA SET OVERVIEW

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Description

Contextual Overview

The [GUMCAD Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance System Data Set](#) provides essential public health information about Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) diagnoses, treatments and [SERVICES](#) provided by [Level 3 Genitourinary Medicine Services](#) and commissioned [Level 2 Sexual Health Services](#).

The [GUMCAD Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance System Data Set](#) is used:

- To inform public health response and policy formulation for England
- To monitor the effectiveness of the policies introduced as part of the National Strategy for Sexual Health and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
- For performance management at local and national level to ensure delivery of the national Public Service Agreement target on [Sexual Health Services](#)
- For better planning and management of [Sexual Health Services](#) at local level
- To adapt and refine clinical interventions, as appropriate

DATA EXTRACT SPECIFICATION

Description:

[Public Health England](#) require [Sexual Health Services](#) to generate and provide a data extract in accordance with the [GUMCAD Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance System Data Set](#). These [SERVICES](#) include:

- NHS providers of specialised [Level 3 Genitourinary Medicine Services](#), where the primary function of the specialist clinical multidisciplinary team is concerned with the provision of screening, diagnosis and management of Sexually Transmitted Infections and related genital medical conditions.
- All [Level 2 Sexual Health Services](#) commissioned by the NHS who offer testing, diagnostic and/or treatment of Sexually Transmitted Infections.

~~It should be noted that [General Practitioners with Special Interests \(GPwSIs\)](#) will only be included if they operate from a [General Medical Practitioner Practice](#) that has been commissioned to provide a [Level 2 Sexual Health Service](#).~~ It should be noted that [General Practitioners with Extended Roles \(GPwERs\)](#) will only be included if they operate from a [General Medical Practitioner Practice](#) that has been commissioned to provide a [Level 2 Sexual Health Service](#).

Time period: The extract must cover one calendar quarter.

Frequency: Reports must be run quarterly, 6 weeks after the end of the quarter.

Format: Data returned must be formatted into a single comma separated variable (csv) file. The data elements should be transmitted in the order specified in the [GUMCAD Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance System Data Set](#).

Transmission: Electronic files must be transmitted to [Public Health England](#) through a secure web portal on the [Public Health England](#) website. This web portal enables [Organisations](#) to submit data files in a secure manner to the HIV and STI Department of [Public Health England](#). The web portal can be found at [HIV & STI web portal](#).

Connection to the web portal requires a login account name and password at [Public Health England](#). Please contact gumcad@phe.org.uk for access or more information.

Further guidance on the [GUMCAD Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance System Data Set](#) can be found on the [Public Health England](#) part of the gov.uk website at: [STI Surveillance, data, screening and management](#).

INTERFACE SERVICE

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Description

An [Interface Service](#) is a [SERVICE](#).

An [Interface Service](#) is any [SERVICE](#) (excluding [Consultant Led Services](#)) that incorporates any intermediate levels of triage, assessment and treatment between traditional Primary Care and Secondary Care.

[Interface Services](#) include assessment services and referral management centres.

It does not include

- arrangements established to deliver primary, community or [Direct Access Services](#), outside of their traditional setting
- [Non-Consultant Led Services](#) for mental health run by Mental Health Trusts.
- referrals to [Practitioners with Special Interests](#) for triage, assessment and possible treatment, except where they are working as part of a wider [Interface Service](#) arrangement.
- referrals to [General Practitioners with Extended Roles](#) for triage, assessment and possible treatment, except where they are working as part of a wider [Interface Service](#) arrangement.

PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST (RETIRED)_ renamed from PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Name, Description, status to Retired

A [Practitioner with a Special Interest \(PwSI\)](#) is a [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#). **This item has been retired from the NHS Data Model and Dictionary.**

A [Practitioner with a Special Interest](#) is a [GENERAL PRACTITIONER \(GP\)](#) or [Pharmacist](#) who: **The last live version of this item is available in the December 2019 release of the NHS Data Model and Dictionary.**

- is first and foremost a generalist
- is able to act without direct supervision
- has a level of skill or competence that exceeds the core competences of the individual's normal professional role
- is accredited to deliver specialist clinical services directly to [PATIENTS](#).

For further information on [Practitioners with Special Interests](#), see the [Royal College of General Practitioners](#) website at: [General Practitioners with Extended Roles](#). **Access to this version can be**

obtained by emailing information.standards@nhs.net with "NHS Data Model and Dictionary - Archive Request" in the email subject line.

PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST (RETIRED)_ renamed from PRACTITIONER WITH A SPECIAL INTEREST

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Name, Description, status to Retired

- Changed Name from Data_Dictionary.NHS_Business_Definitions.P.Practitioner_With_A_Special_Interest to Retired.Data_Dictionary.NHS_Business_Definitions.P.Practitioner_With_A_Special_Interest
- Changed Description
- Retired Practitioner With A Special Interest

CARE PROFESSIONAL OPERATING SURGEON TYPE FOR CANCER

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

The type of [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#) who operated on the [PATIENT](#) for the [Cancer Outcomes and Services Data Set](#).

Note: National Code SI '*General Practitioner with an Extended Role (GPwER)*' has been updated in [Data Dictionary Change Notice 1752 "Practitioners with a Special Interest Name Change"](#). The Data Set specifications that contain this item will be updated in the next version of the Information Standard where it is not already correct.

National Codes:

- NU [NURSE](#)
- TS Trainee Specialist Doctor
- CS [CONSULTANT](#) Surgeon (other than Plastic Surgeon)
- CD [CONSULTANT](#) Dermatologist
- CPS [CONSULTANT](#) Plastic Surgeon
- HP Hospital Practitioner
- SI [General Practitioner with a Special Interest](#)
- SI [General Practitioner with an Extended Role \(GPwER\)](#)
- GP [GENERAL PRACTITIONER](#)
- OO Other [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#) (not listed)

REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD START DATE

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

The start date of a [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD](#).

This is a specific type of the attribute [ACTIVITY DATE](#).

A [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD START DATE](#) will be one of the following:

- **Initial Referral:**
 - the [REFERRAL REQUEST RECEIVED DATE](#) of a [SERVICE REQUEST](#) for a particular condition.
 - This will include a [PATIENT](#) being re-referred in to a [Consultant Led Service](#) or an [Interface Service](#) or an [NHS Allied Health Professional Service \(Referral To Treatment Measurement\)](#) as a new referral including after a [Discharge After Patient Did Not Attend](#). The [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD STATUS](#) is 'National Code 10 - first activity'
- **Following an [APPOINTMENT](#) that the [PATIENT](#) did not attend:**
 - the [APPOINTMENT ACCEPTED DATE](#) (or the [INVITATION OFFER DATE SENT](#) of the first [APPOINTMENT OFFER](#) where the [APPOINTMENT OFFER](#) is sent) for the first [APPOINTMENT](#) following the [PATIENT](#) not attending an [APPOINTMENT](#) or elective admission. See [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD](#) and [Discharge After Patient Did Not Attend](#) for guidance on [PATIENTS](#) who do not attend
 - The [APPOINTMENT DATE](#) of the [APPOINTMENT](#) that the [PATIENT](#) did not attend should be used where it is not possible to identify the [APPOINTMENT ACCEPTED DATE](#) or the [INVITATION OFFER DATE SENT](#). The [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD STATUS](#) is 'National Code 10 - first activity'
- **Following active monitoring:**
 - the [ACTIVITY DATE](#) of a [CARE ACTIVITY](#) when a decision to treat was made following [Active Monitoring](#) and the [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD STATUS](#) is 'National Code 11 - active monitoring end'
 - This will include a decision to start a substantively new or different treatment that does not already form part of that [PATIENT](#)'s agreed [CARE PLAN](#).
- **On identifying a separate condition:**
 - the [REFERRAL REQUEST RECEIVED DATE](#) of a [SERVICE REQUEST](#) when a decision has been made to refer the [PATIENT](#) directly to a [Consultant Led Service](#) or an [NHS Allied Health Professional Service \(Referral To Treatment Measurement\)](#) for a separate condition (the [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD STATUS](#) for the first [CARE ACTIVITY](#) with the new [CONSULTANT](#) or [NHS Allied Health Professional Service \(Referral To Treatment Measurement\)](#) is 'National Code 12 - consultant or NHS Allied Health Professional Service (Referral To Treatment) referral').

Referral To Treatment Consultant Led Waiting Times:

For most [PATIENTS](#), the start of the [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD](#) begins with a [SERVICE REQUEST](#) from a [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#) to a [CONSULTANT](#).

[SERVICE REQUESTS](#) to [CONSULTANTS](#) who provide care [SERVICES](#) in community settings also start [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIODS](#) and the [REFERRAL REQUEST RECEIVED DATE](#) will be the start of the [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD](#).

A [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD](#) may also start from [SERVICE REQUESTS](#) to [CONSULTANTS](#) from [GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONERS](#), [Practitioners with Special Interests](#), [OPTOMETRISTS](#) and [Orthoptists](#), [National Screening Programmes](#), [Specialist NURSES](#), other [CARE PROFESSIONALS](#) where commissioning [Organisations](#) have approved these mechanisms locally. A [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD](#) may also start from [SERVICE REQUESTS](#) to [CONSULTANTS](#) from [GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONERS](#), [General Practitioners with Extended Roles](#), [OPTOMETRISTS](#) and [Orthoptists](#), [National Screening Programmes](#), [Specialist NURSES](#),

other [CARE PROFESSIONALS](#) where commissioning [Organisations](#) have approved these mechanisms locally.

An 18-week clock also starts upon a self referral by a [PATIENT](#) to the above services, where these pathways have been agreed locally by commissioners and providers and once the referral is ratified by a [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#).

A [REFERRAL TO TREATMENT PERIOD](#) will also start where [PATIENTS](#) are transferred to an elective [Consultant Led Service](#) through [SERVICE REQUESTS](#) from [Accident and Emergency Departments](#) including Minor injuries units and Walk In Centres.

Allied Health Professional Referral To Treatment Measurement:

Further guidance relating to the Allied Health Professional Referral To Treatment can be found on the [Department of Health and Social Care](#) part of the gov.uk website at: [Allied health professional referral to treatment revised guide](#).

Intermediate Care Measurement:

Further guidance relating to the [Intermediate Care](#) Waiting Time Measurements can be found on the [NHS Digital](#) website at: [Community Services Data Set user guidance](#).

REFERRING CARE PROFESSIONAL STAFF GROUP FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND COMMUNITY CARE

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

The staff group of a [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#) who referred a [PATIENT](#) to a [Community Health Service](#) or [Mental Health Service](#).

Note:Notes:

- Note: National Code M04 '[General Practitioner with an Extended Role \(GPwER\)](#)' has been updated in [Data Dictionary Change Notice 1752 "Practitioners with a Special Interest Name Change"](#). The Data Set specifications that contain this item will be updated in the next version of the Information Standard where it is not already correct.
- The following National Codes are **only** valid for use in the [Community Services Data Set](#):
 - C10 '[Health Trainer \(Non Clinical\)](#)'
 - C11 '[Health Trainer \(Clinical\)](#)'
 - C12 '[Health Care Assistant](#)'
 - C13 '[Health Care Support Worker](#)'

National Codes:

Allied Health Professionals	
A01	Art Therapist
A02	Clinical Psychologist
A03	Dietitian
A04	Drama Therapist

- A05 Music Therapist
- A06 [Occupational Therapist](#)
- A07 [Orthotist](#)
- A08 [Physiotherapist](#)
- A09 [Podiatrist](#)
- A10 [Prosthetist](#)
- A11 Psychotherapist
- A12 [Radiographer](#)
- A13 [Speech and Language Therapist](#)
- A14 [Orthoptist](#)
- Medical/Dental**
- M01 Community Dentist
- M02 [CONSULTANT](#)
- M03 [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#)
- M04 [General Practitioner With A Special Interest](#)
- M04 General Practitioner with an Extended Role (GPwER)**
- Nursing, Health Visiting and Midwifery**
- N01 [MIDWIFE](#)
- N02 District [NURSE](#)
- N03 [Health Visitor](#)
- N04 Macmillan [NURSE](#)
- N05 [School Nurse](#)
- N06 Specialist Nursing - Active Case Management (Community Matrons)
- N07 Specialist Nursing - Arthritis Nursing/Liaison
- N08 Specialist Nursing - Asthma and Respiratory Nursing/Liaison
- N09 Specialist Nursing - Breast Care Nursing/Liaison
- N10 Specialist Nursing - Cancer Related
- N11 Specialist Nursing - Cardiac Nursing/Liaison
- N12 Specialist Nursing - Children's Services
- N13 Specialist Nursing - Community Cystic Fibrosis
- N14 Specialist Nursing - Continence Services
- N15 Specialist Nursing - Diabetic Nursing/Liaison
- N16 Specialist Nursing - Enteral Feeding Nursing Services
- N17 Specialist Nursing - Haemophilia Nursing Services
- N18 Specialist Nursing - HIV/AIDS Nursing Services (Retired 01 September 2015)
- N19 Specialist Nursing - Infectious Diseases
- N20 Specialist Nursing - Intensive Care Nursing
- N21 Specialist Nursing - Palliative/Respite Care
- N22 Specialist Nursing - Parkinson's and Alzheimers Nursing/Liaison
- N23 Specialist Nursing - Rehabilitation Nursing
- N24 Specialist Nursing - Stoma Care Services
- N25 Specialist Nursing - Tissue Viability Nursing/Liaison
- N26 Specialist Nursing - Transplantation Patients Nursing Services
- N27 Specialist Nursing - Treatment Room Nursing Services
- N28 Specialist Nursing - Tuberculosis Specialist Nursing
- N29 Specialist Nursing - Other Specialist Nursing

- N30 Specialist Nursing - Safeguarding
- N31 Practice Nursing
- N32 Staff [NURSE](#)
- N33 Other Registered [NURSE](#)
- N34 Public Health [NURSE](#)
- Other Care Professionals**
- C01 Appliances Technician
- C02 Audiologist
- C03 Counsellor
- C04 Nursery Nurse
- C06 Play Therapist
- C07 [Social Worker](#)
- C08 Voluntary Care Worker
- C09 Screener (in a National [Screening Programme](#))
- C10 Health Trainer (Non Clinical)
- C11 Health Trainer (Clinical)
- C12 Health Care Assistant
- C13 Health Care Support Worker
- C99 Other [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#) (not listed)

SOURCE OF REFERRAL FOR OUT-PATIENTS

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

The source of referral of each [Consultant Out-Patient Episode](#).

Note: National Code 12 'referral from a [General Practitioner with an Extended Role \(GPwER\)](#) or [Dentist with Enhanced Skills \(DES\)](#)' has been updated in [Data Dictionary Change Notice 1752 "Practitioners with a Special Interest Name Change"](#). The Data Set specifications that contain this item will be updated in the next version of the Information Standard where it is not already correct.

National Codes:

Initiated by the [CONSULTANT](#) responsible for the [Consultant Out-Patient Episode](#)

- 01 following an emergency admission
- 02 following a [Domiciliary Consultation](#)
- 10 following an [Accident and Emergency Attendance](#) (including Minor Injuries Units and Walk In Centres)
- 11 other - initiated by the [CONSULTANT](#) responsible for the [Consultant Out-Patient Episode](#)

Not initiated by the [CONSULTANT](#) responsible for the [Consultant Out-Patient Episode](#)

- 03 referral from a [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#)
- 92 referral from a [GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONER](#)
- 42 referral from a [General Practitioner with a Special Interest \(GPwSI\)](#) or [Dentist with a Special Interest \(DwSI\)](#)

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- referral from a [General Practitioner with an Extended Role \(GPwER\)](#) or [Dentist with Enhanced Skills \(DES\)](#)
- 04 referral from an [Accident and Emergency Department](#) (including Minor Injuries Units and Walk In Centres)
- 05 referral from a [CONSULTANT](#), other than in an [Accident and Emergency Department](#)
- 06 self-referral
- 07 referral from a [Prosthetist](#)
- 13 referral from a Specialist [NURSE](#) (Secondary Care)
- 14 referral from an Allied Health Professional
- 15 referral from an [OPTOMETRIST](#)
- 16 referral from an [Orthoptist](#)
- 17 referral from a National [Screening Programme](#)
- 93 referral from a Community Dental Service
- 97 other - not initiated by the [CONSULTANT](#) responsible for the [Consultant Out-Patient Episode](#)

Note: The classification has been listed in logical sequence rather than numeric order.

Where a [PATIENT](#) is referred by a [GENERAL PRACTITIONER](#) acting in the capacity of a [General Practitioner with a Special Interest \(GPwSI\)](#), National Code 12 - '~~referral from a [General Practitioner with a Special Interest \(GPwSI\)](#) or [Dentist with a Special Interest \(DwSI\)](#)~~' should be used. Where a [PATIENT](#) is referred by a [GENERAL PRACTITIONER](#) acting in the capacity of a [General Practitioner with an Extended Role \(GPwER\)](#), National Code 12 '~~referral from a [General Practitioner with an Extended Role \(GPwER\)](#) or [Dentist with Enhanced Skills \(DES\)](#)~~' should be used.

Where a [PATIENT](#) is referred by that [GENERAL PRACTITIONER](#) acting in their capacity as an ordinary [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#), or as an ordinary [GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONER](#), National Code 03 - *referral from a [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#)* or National Code 92 - *referral from a [GENERAL DENTAL PRACTITIONER](#)* should be used as appropriate.

Two Week Wait Referrals made by Specialist [NURSES](#) in Primary Care, under the authority of the [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#) leading their team, should continue to be classified as referrals from the [GENERAL PRACTITIONER](#) (National Code 03 - *referral from a [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#)*). Referrals from Specialist [NURSES](#) in Secondary Care should be classified as National Code 13 - *referral from a Specialist Nurse (Secondary Care)*.

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