

Statement of Administrative Sources



Annex B: Supporting metadata

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Section 1: Statistical End Product	General and Personal Medical Services - England, as at 30 September	
Section 2: Original Administrative/Management Source/System	Name	GP Quarterly Payments and Registrations System (Exeter Payments System)
	Name of the organisation responsible	Exeter Payments Bureau; NHAIS
	Purpose of the administrative source	Payment of GP practices
	Unit of Inquiry	Practice & Practitioner level

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	Intended Coverage	All England Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) & Welsh Local Health Boards (LHBs)
	Actual Coverage	As above
	Geographical Coverage	England and Wales
	Lowest level of Geographical Coverage	GP practice
	Extent to which statistical end-producers can influence system?	Payment Working Group (PWG), influence on what is collected, accuracy and system development
	Data definitions used	Definitions can be found in the publication
	Classification systems used	General Medical Council (GMC) no, GP National code, National Practice code.
	Data Collection Process	1)Periodicity/Timing 2)Validation process
	Access Arrangements	Shared Service Agencies, PCTs
	Dissemination Procedures	Encrypted emails
	Publication procedure	n/a
	Timing/Periodicity of public release	None – Exeter does not release to public
	Nature of changes to system that could impact on statistics	Re-organisation/classification of GP's. Introduction of new payment system
Section 3: Change Process	NHS manage change control process through PWG	

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Section 4: The subsequent statistical production process	Validation procedures	Validation against historical sources and direct contact with source provider. Mixture of automated and manual quality assurance.
	Quality assessment	Information on quality is available in the publication.
	Periodicity of release	Annual in March
	Potential impact of changes to the source on the statistics produced	Inconsistent information means a break in time series. Length of time to produce
	Procedures for mitigating such discontinuities	Estimates of comparable figures where possible. Use other sources of information.

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