

PICANET REFERRAL, TRANSPORT & ADMISSION DATASET

Summary of changes to the dataset November 2017

Changes to existing data fields and the addition of new data fields, were discussed at PICS ATG meetings in 2016 and at PICANet CAG meetings in 2017.

From January 1st 2018 PICUs will continue to complete a referral form for a child referred directly by the original admitting hospital but will no longer be expected to complete a transport event form for a patient transferred by a non-PIC specialist team. When the referral is made via a PIC centralised transport service e.g. CATS the referral form will be submitted to PICANet on behalf of the unit.

To allow PICANet to analyse the patient journey we have added a new field 'Collection Unit' to the admission dataset.

Additional information about the recording of the referral and transport dataset can be found in the introduction to the **Referral & Transport Dataset Definitions Manual Version 2.1 November 2017**.

Changes to existing fields/text are marked by an asterisk () below and new data fields are marked by a double asterisk (**) below.*

REFERRAL DATASET

1. * *Instructions at the top of the referral form - [amendment]*

Please complete this form for all requests for transport within the PIC service and/or for all requests for a PICU admission, when clinicians agree that the patient requires PIC transport and/or a PICU bed.

2. * *Date and time when clinicians agreed that the patient required PIC transport and/or a PICU bed - [amendment to data field & definition]*

Data field:

Date and time when clinicians agreed that the patient required PIC transport and/or a PICU bed

Definition:

The actual date and time when clinicians agreed that the patient required PIC transport and/or a PICU bed, based on the patient's clinical condition (not the availability of a team or a bed).

This may not be the date of the first telephone call to the PICU or PIC transport service as the first referral call may have been for advice or discussion only.

Reason: Date and time the referral was agreed will be used to calculate the total number of referral calls for each individual patient. Accurate recording of date and time will allow analysis of organisational delays e.g. due to lack of availability of staffed beds or transport teams.

To enable effective audit and assessment of health services delivery.

Format: Date: dd/mm/yyyy; Time: hh:mm (24 hour clock)

3. ** *Referral number-[new data field]*

Definition:

Unique identifier assigned to each consecutive referral event. As recorded within your organisation to identify each referral episode.

Referral number is already included on the PICANet Web form.

4. **** Referring Area - [new data field]**

Definition:

Identifies the care area where the patient is located at the time of the referral call.

X-ray, endoscopy, CT scanner or similar area

Recovery only HDU (step up/step down area)

Other intermediate care area (not ICU)

Theatre and Recovery

Other transport service

ICU

PICU

NICU

Ward

A&E

TRANSPORT DATASET

1. *** Date and time accepted for transport - [amendment to definition]**

Definition:

The date and time when the transport was accepted. The date and time of acceptance for transport is the date and time when it was agreed that the patient required PIC transport, based on their clinical condition (not the availability of a team or a bed).

This may not be the date of the first telephone call to the PICU or transport service as the first call may have been for advice or discussion only.

Reason:

Date and time of transport acceptance will be used to calculate the total number of transports undertaken by PIC transport services.

Accurate recording of date and time will enable analysis of organisational delays e.g. due to lack of availability of staffed beds or transport teams.

To enable effective audit and assessment of health services delivery.

Format: Date: dd/mm/yyyy, Time: hh:mm (24 hour clock)

2. ***Type of Transport Team - [amendment to definition]**

Minor clarification to the definition for the options highlighted:

PICU – identifies that a specialised PICU team transferred the child

Centralised transport service (PIC) – identifies that a transport team from a centralised transport service (PIC) transferred the child.

Transport team from neonates – identifies that a specialist neonatal transport team transferred the child

Other specialist team – identifies that another specialist team (not a CTS or neonatal transport team) transported the child. This could be a trauma transport team transferring the child.

Non-specialist team – identifies that another non-specialist team transported the child to your unit.

3. **** Transport Classification - [new data field]**

Definition:

Specifies whether the transport is planned or unplanned.

Planned – these transports are generally for patients who are clinically stable but need to be transferred to an alternative unit or location.

Unplanned – these transports are generally for patients with a clinical emergency who need specialist care that cannot be delivered at the referring unit.

4. *Outcome of this transport event – [amendment to definition]*

The proposed change to the option names for use on the transport form are underlined, and the full definition given:

Definition:

The result of the transport episode once the decision to mobilise the transport team has been made and/or the transport journey has been completed.

Patient transported – the child has been transported to the destination specified

Not transported –condition improved, - the transport team arrived at the collection unit, the child’s condition improved and **PIC transport** was no longer required

Not transported – condition deteriorated - the transport team arrived at the collection unit, the child’s condition deteriorated and **PIC transport** was no longer appropriate

Not transported – other reason – the transport was cancelled either after initial acceptance, when the transport team were en route to the collection unit or after the transport team arrived at the collection unit, the child was not transferred to another unit or location by the transport team. Enter reason in comments box

Patient died before transport team arrived - the child died after the transport team was mobilised but prior to arrival at the collection unit

Patient died while transport team present- the child died whilst the transport team were providing care at the collection unit

Patient died during transit- the child died during the return journey from the collection unit

5. ***Interventions – High flow Nasal Cannula Therapy [new data field]*

(The proposal is to add High flow Nasal Cannula Therapy to the list of interventions by local team and interventions while transport team in attendance.)

High flow Nasal Cannula Therapy

Interventions by local team prior to arrival of transport team

Definition:

High flow Nasal Cannula Therapy (HFNCT) was commenced by the local team prior to arrival of the transport team.

Interventions while transport team in attendance

Definition:

High flow Nasal Cannula Therapy (HFNCT) was commenced whilst the transport team is in attendance at the referring hospital.

The patient is NOT receiving HFNCT prior to the arrival of the transport team.

Includes HFNCT commenced by the local team after arrival of the transport team.

ADMISSION DATASET

1. *Type of transport team*

Changed to match agreed changes to the options and wording in transport dataset (above)

2. *** Collection unit - [new data field]*

Additional field will provide data about the name of the collection unit and the distance travelled; this will eliminate the need for units to record a transport event for non PIC specialist transports from the original admitting hospital.

Definition matches the options and wording for 'Collection unit' in transport data definitions

Definition:

Identifies the unique name of the hospital or the place such as an airport, where the patient is located at the time of collection by the transport team.

Reason: Required for effective audit and assessment of geographical distribution of referring population to individual units/transport services. To enable effective audit and assessment of health services delivery.

Format: Name of hospital and specialist unit or the DGH.

Select the name of the PICU or DGH from the organisation coder.

If the name is not available in the given list, but known select 'Other organisation' and enter the name in the 'Other' box, using free text.

If the name of the organisation is not known select 'Unknown organisation'.