

NHS Data Model and Dictionary



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Version No: 1.0
Subject: Update to "Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode"
Effective Date: Immediate
Reason for Change: Change of wording
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Background:

This Data Dictionary Change Notice (DDCN) updates the NHS Business Definition "Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode".

The change is to update the maximum interval between scheduled face to face or virtual attendances to 7 days to align "Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode" with the follow up timescale in the Attribute "URGENT AND EMERGENCY CARE ATTENDANCE CATEGORY".

A short demonstration is available which describes "How to Read an NHS Data Model and Dictionary Change Request", in an easy to understand screen capture including a voice over and readable captions. This demonstration can be viewed at: https://datadictionary.nhs.uk/elearning/change_request/index.html.

Note: if the web page does not open, please copy the link and paste into the web browser. A guide to how to use the demonstration can be found at: [Demonstrations](#).

Summary of changes:

Supporting Information

[URGENT AND EMERGENCY CARE EXTENDED CARE EPISODE](#)

Changed Description

Date: 6 November 2023

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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.

URGENT AND EMERGENCY CARE EXTENDED CARE EPISODE

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Description

An [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) is an [ACTIVITY GROUP](#).

An [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) is an episode of clinical care for a [PATIENT](#) under the responsibility of a named [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#) in an [Urgent and Emergency Care Service](#), which occurs following initial assessment by a [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#) qualified for independent practice in Urgent and Emergency Care. Typically this decision will be taken during a [Emergency Care Attendance](#) or [Same Day Emergency Care Attendance](#). Typically this decision will be taken during an [Emergency Care Attendance](#) or [Same Day Emergency Care Attendance](#).

~~An [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) starts at the [Urgent and Emergency Care Activity End Timestamp](#) of the [Emergency Care Attendance](#) or [Same Day Emergency Care Attendance](#) within which the clinical decision was taken to discharge the [PATIENT](#) to their normal place of residence, but with an ongoing duty of care to follow up under a [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#).~~ An [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) starts at the [Urgent and Emergency Care Activity End Timestamp](#) of the [Emergency Care Attendance](#) or [Same Day Emergency Care Attendance](#) within which the clinical decision was taken to discharge the [PATIENT](#) to their normal place of residence, but with an ongoing duty of care to follow up under an [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#).

An [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) spans a series of planned attendances (typically [Same Day Emergency Care Attendances](#)) for ongoing follow up care. If during the same time period the [PATIENT](#) attends an [Urgent and Emergency Care Service](#) for unplanned attendances (for example their condition deteriorates and they attend the [Emergency Care Department](#) within the same [Health Care Provider](#)), then the unplanned attendance should also be recorded as being part of the [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#).

All [Emergency Care Attendances](#) and [Same Day Emergency Care Attendances](#), either face to face or virtual, and either scheduled or unscheduled, that occurs during an [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) period, must be linked to the [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#). The [URGENT AND EMERGENCY CARE ACTIVITY IDENTIFIER](#) which identifies the open [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) must be linked in the [ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD](#) system, and submitted in the

[Emergency Care Data Set Version 4](#) record relating to the [Emergency Care Attendance](#) or [Same Day Emergency Care Attendance](#).

~~A [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) should run for no longer than 4 weeks (28 days); and within this, the maximum interval between scheduled face to face or virtual attendances must be no longer than 8 days.~~ An [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) should run for no longer than 4 weeks (28 days); and within this, the maximum interval between scheduled face to face or virtual attendances must be no longer than 7 days.

~~A [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) ends when either:~~ An [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) ends when either:

- The [PATIENT](#) is formally discharged from the [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) period of ongoing planned care, having received all necessary treatment (for example to their own [GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER](#) to manage care)
- A decision to admit to a [WARD](#) is taken by the responsible [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#) during a scheduled or unscheduled face to face or virtual attendance which is part of the [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#), for example if the condition of the [PATIENT](#) has deteriorated such that Admitted Patient Care is now clinically required
- The [PATIENT](#) is referred to another speciality or [SERVICE](#) within the same [Health Care Provider](#), to continue treatment under a [Care Professional Out-Patient Episode](#).
- When the ongoing clinical care of the [PATIENT](#) is transferred to a different [Health Care Provider](#).
- The [PATIENT](#) dies

Where the [PATIENT](#) is formally discharged from the [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) by the responsible [CARE PROFESSIONAL](#) and this decision is taken during a scheduled or unscheduled attendance, the [Urgent and Emergency Care Activity End Timestamp](#) for the [Emergency Care Data Set Version 4](#) record relating to [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) is the same as the [Urgent and Emergency Care Activity End Timestamp](#) of the [Emergency Care Attendance](#) or [Same Day Emergency Care Attendance](#) where the clinical decision to discharge the [PATIENT](#) was taken. In all cases, the [PATIENT](#) (and the receiving [Health Care Provider](#) if applicable) should receive a written summary of care delivered, and future suggested [CARE PLANS](#).

If a decision to close the [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) is taken outside of a scheduled or unscheduled attendance (for example if the [PATIENT](#) is admitted to another [Health Care Provider](#), dies, leaves the country, fails to attend scheduled attendances etc), the [Urgent and Emergency Care Activity End Timestamp](#) for the record relating to the [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) in the [Emergency Care Data Set Version 4](#) submission would be the date, time and time zone that the clinical decision to close the [Urgent and Emergency Care Extended Care Episode](#) was taken. If appropriate/possible, the [Health Care Provider](#) to whom the [PATIENT'S](#) care is transferred, and the [PATIENT](#) themselves, should receive a written summary of care delivered and future suggested [CARE PLANS](#).

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