

Type:	Data Dictionary Change Notice
Reference:	1871
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Subject:	NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT
Effective Date:	Immediate
Reason for Change:	Name change
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Background:

The "NHS Standard Contract and Who Pays? team" at NHS England have requested that all references to NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT be renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT to reflect the fact that the NHS operates on the basis of binding contracts for services, not less formal service level agreements.

To support the change, this Data Dictionary Change Notice (DDCN) updates the NHS Data Model and Dictionary as follows:

- Renames the following Classes:
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT CHANGE to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT CHANGE
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE
 - SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT to SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT
- Adds the following new Classes:
 - COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT
 - PROVIDER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT
- Retires the Class PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT as it is not used anywhere.
- Renames the following Attribute:
 - SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT TEXT STRING to SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT TEXT STRING
- Adds a note to the following Attributes and Data Elements to advise of the renaming of the Classes and/or the new item names:
 - Attributes:
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT CHANGE DATE
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER
 - Data Elements:
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT CHANGE DATE
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER
 - NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER.
- Adds the following preparatory Attributes and Data Elements:
 - NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER
 - NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER.

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](#).

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Changed status to Retired,
Description, Name,
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Changed Description

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Changed Description

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New Data Element

[NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER](#)

New Data Element

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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.

NON-CONTRACT ACTIVITY

Change to Supporting Information: Changed Description

Non-Contract Activity is the term used to refer to an NHS-funded SERVICE delivered to a PATIENT for whom an Integrated Care Board has responsibility, where there is no written NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT in place between the relevant Health Care Provider and that Integrated Care Board. Non-Contract Activity is the term used to refer to an NHS-funded SERVICE delivered to a PATIENT for whom an Integrated Care Board has responsibility, where there is no written NHS SERVICE CONTRACT in place between the relevant Health Care Provider and that Integrated Care Board.

This is an NHS-funded SERVICE delivered to a PATIENT by a Health Care Provider which does not, at the point at which that SERVICE is delivered, have a written NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT in place with the Integrated Care Board which has responsibility for the PATIENT (as determined under the "Who Pays?" rules published by NHS England), but which does have a written NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT CHANGE for the delivery of that SERVICE in place with at least one other Integrated Care Board. This is an NHS-funded SERVICE delivered to a PATIENT by a Health Care Provider which does not, at the point at which that SERVICE is delivered, have a written NHS SERVICE CONTRACT in place with the Integrated Care Board which has responsibility for the PATIENT (as determined under the "Who Pays?" rules published by NHS England), but which does have a written NHS SERVICE CONTRACT for the delivery of that SERVICE in place with at least one other Integrated Care Board.

NHS England's Contract Technical Guidance sets out further details on Non-Contract Activity, including on when a Health Care Provider must or may provide a SERVICE to a PATIENT on a Non-Contract Activity basis.

COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

Change to Class: New Class

An ORGANISATION commissioning SERVICES under an NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

This class is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	COMMISSIONER ORGANISATIONS IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

Change to Class: New Class

This class has no attributes.

COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

Change to Class: New Class

Each COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

K must be provided under one and only one NHS SERVICE CONTRACT
must be a role undertaken by one and only one ORGANISATION

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT, renamed from NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name, Relationships

A formal agreement between a commissioner ORGANISATION and one or more Health Care Provider ORGANISATIONS for the provision of PATIENT care SERVICES. A formal contract between one or more COMMISSIONER ORGANISATIONS IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT and one Health Care Provider for the provision of PATIENT care SERVICES.

SERVICES may be commissioned in two ways:

- Nationally, arranged through the direct commissioning functions and processes of [NHS England](#)
- By [Integrated Care Boards](#), acting individually or as part of a commissioning consortia.

The costs of a [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#) accrue to the [ORGANISATION](#) responsible for commissioning the treatment. The costs of an [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#) accrue to the [ORGANISATION](#) or [ORGANISATIONS](#) responsible for commissioning the [ACTIVITY](#).

For [Commissioning Data Set](#) messages the commissioner is identified in the [ORGANISATION CODE \(CODE OF COMMISSIONER\)](#) / [ORGANISATION IDENTIFIER \(CODE OF COMMISSIONER\)](#) field. For [Commissioning Data Set](#) messages the commissioner is identified in [ORGANISATION CODE \(CODE OF COMMISSIONER\)](#) / [ORGANISATION IDENTIFIER \(CODE OF COMMISSIONER\)](#).

Note: [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#) has been renamed to [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).

[NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#) renamed from [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#)

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name, Relationships

Attributes of this Class are:

K ~~NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER~~
 K [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER](#)
[NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#)
 NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER

[NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#) renamed from [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#)

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name, Relationships

~~Each [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#)~~ *Each [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#)*

K ~~must be commissioned by one and only one ORGANISATION~~
 K [must be an agreement with one or more COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#)
~~must be an agreement with one or more PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT~~
 K [must be an agreement with one and only one PROVIDER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#)
~~may be comprised of one or more NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE~~
[may be comprised of one or more NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE](#)
 may be out of area treatment for one and only one PATIENT

[NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#) renamed from [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#)

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name, Relationships

- Changed Description
- Changed Attributes
- Changed Name from [Data_Dictionary.Classes.N.NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT](#) to [Data_Dictionary.Classes.N.NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT](#)
- Changed Relationships

[NHS SERVICE CONTRACT CHANGE](#) renamed from [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT CHANGE](#)

Change to Class: Changed Description, Name

A change in an [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#) applying to a [SERVICE](#). A change in an [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#) applying to a [SERVICE](#).

~~This may be because of a change of commissioner or a change of an NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT with the same commissioner.~~ This may be because of a change of COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT or a change of an NHS SERVICE CONTRACT with the same COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

Note: An NHS SERVICE CONTRACT CHANGE ends the original SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT and starts a new SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

- ~~Two SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT will be required for each NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT CHANGE~~
- ~~These will end one SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT and start another.~~

Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT CHANGE_ renamed from NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT CHANGE

Change to Class: Changed Description, Name

- Changed Description
- Changed Name from Data_Dictionary.Classes.N.NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_CHANGE to Data_Dictionary.Classes.N.NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT_CHANGE

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE_ renamed from NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name

~~A sub-division of a NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT.~~ A sub-division of an NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE_ renamed from NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name

Attributes of this Class are:

- ~~K NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER~~
- K NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER**
- NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER
- NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE_ renamed from NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name

- Changed Description
- Changed Attributes
- Changed Name from Data_Dictionary.Classes.N.NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_LINE to Data_Dictionary.Classes.N.NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT_LINE

PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT (RETIRED)_ renamed from PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT

Change to Class: Changed status to Retired, Description, Name, Relationships

An [ORGANISATION](#) providing patient care services within a [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#).**This item has been retired from the NHS Data Model and Dictionary.**

The last live version of this item is available in the June 2023 release of the NHS Data Model and Dictionary.

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.

PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT (RETIRED)_ renamed from PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT

Change to Class: Changed status to Retired, Description, Name, Relationships

Each PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT

- K must be provided within one and only one NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT
- K must be a role undertaken by one and only one ORGANISATION

PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT (RETIRED)_ renamed from PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT

Change to Class: Changed status to Retired, Description, Name, Relationships

- Retired PROVIDER IN SERVICE AGREEMENT
- Changed Description
- Changed Name from Data_Dictionary.Classes.P.PROVIDER_IN_SERVICE_AGREEMENT to Retired.Data_Dictionary.Classes.P.PROVIDER_IN_SERVICE_AGREEMENT
- Changed Relationships

PROVIDER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

Change to Class: New Class

A Health Care Provider ORGANISATION providing SERVICES under an NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

This class is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	PROVIDER ORGANISATIONS IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

PROVIDER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

Change to Class: New Class

This class has no attributes.

PROVIDER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

Change to Class: New Class

Each PROVIDER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT

- K must be provided under one and only one NHS SERVICE CONTRACT
- K must be a role undertaken by one and only one ORGANISATION

SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT_ renamed from SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name

A SERVICE or delivery of PATIENT care provided under a NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT. This holds the breakdown of the PATIENT care delivered across NHS SERVICE AGREEMENTS. A SERVICE or ACTIVITY provided under an NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

Where there is a change in a NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT applying to a SERVICE, which may be as a result of a change of commissioner or a change of a NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT with the same commissioner; two SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT will be required for each change. These will end one SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT and start another. A change to a SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT will result in an NHS SERVICE CONTRACT CHANGE.

Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT, renamed from SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name

Attributes of this Class are:

BEST PRACTICE TARIFF CODE
CARE PRODUCT TYPE FOR NHS CONTINUING HEALTHCARE
COMMISSIONED SERVICE CATEGORY CODE
CONTRACT UNIT FREQUENCY CODE FOR NHS CONTINUING HEALTHCARE
COST CENTRE CODE FOR NHS CONTINUING HEALTHCARE
HEALTHCARE RESOURCE GROUP CODE
LOCAL CONTRACT CODE
LOCAL CONTRACT MONITORING CODE
LOCAL POINT OF DELIVERY DESCRIPTION
LOCAL TREATMENT CATEGORY CODE
LOCAL TREATMENT CODE
NATIONAL CANCER DRUGS FUND FORM CODE
NUMBER OF COMMISSIONED WEEKLY HOURS OF CARE FOR NHS CONTINUING HEALTHCARE
PERSONAL HEALTH BUDGET TYPE
POINT OF DELIVERY CODE
POINT OF DELIVERY CODE FOR PATIENT LEVEL INFORMATION COSTING
POINT OF DELIVERY FURTHER DETAIL CODE
POINT OF DELIVERY FURTHER DETAIL DESCRIPTION
PROVIDER REFERENCE IDENTIFIER
PROVIDER REFERENCE NUMBER
SERVICE CODE
~~SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT TEXT STRING~~
SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT TEXT STRING
SPECIALISED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE CATEGORY CODE
SPECIALIST SERVICES FLAG
SUBJECTIVE CODE FOR NHS CONTINUING HEALTHCARE
UNBUNDLED ACTIVITY CURRENCY SCHEME IN USE
UNBUNDLED CARE ACTIVITY TYPE FOR PATIENT LEVEL INFORMATION COSTING
UNBUNDLED CURRENCY CODE
UNBUNDLED EPISODE INDICATOR

SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT, renamed from SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT

Change to Class: Changed Description, Attributes, Name

- Changed Description
- Changed Attributes
- Changed Name from Data_Dictionary.Classes.S.SERVICE_PROVIDED_UNDER_AGREEMENT to Data_Dictionary.Classes.S.SERVICE_PROVIDED_UNDER_NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT CHANGE DATE

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

The date of a change to a SERVICE_PROVIDED_UNDER_AGREEMENT. The date of a change to a SERVICE_PROVIDED_UNDER_NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT.

Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

The unique identifier of an NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT. The unique identifier of an NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT.

The NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_IDENTIFIER is issued by the ORGANISATION acting as commissioner of a SERVICE. The NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_IDENTIFIER is issued by the ORGANISATION / ORGANISATIONS acting as commissioner(s) of a SERVICE.

NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_NUMBER will be replaced with NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition. **Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.**

NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_NUMBER and NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_IDENTIFIER will be replaced with NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT_IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

A unique identifier for an NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_LINE. A unique identifier for an NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT_LINE.

NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_LINE_NUMBER will be replaced with NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_LINE_IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition. **Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.**

NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_LINE_NUMBER and NHS_SERVICE_AGREEMENT_LINE_IDENTIFIER will be replaced with NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT_LINE_IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

A number (alphanumeric) to provide a unique identifier for a line within a [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#).A number (alphanumeric) to provide a unique identifier for a line within an [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).

[NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER](#) will be replaced with [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER](#), which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.**Note: [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#) has been renamed to [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).**

[NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER](#) and [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER](#) will be replaced with [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER](#), which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER

Change to Attribute: Changed Description

A number used to uniquely identify a [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#) by an [ORGANISATION](#) acting as commissioner of patient care services.A number used to uniquely identify an [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#) by an [ORGANISATION](#) / [ORGANISATIONS](#) acting as commissioner(s) of [PATIENT](#) care services.

[NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER](#) will be replaced with [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#), which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.**Note: [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#) has been renamed to [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).**

[NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER](#) and [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#) will be replaced with [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER](#), which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER

Change to Attribute: New Attribute

The unique identifier of an [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).

The [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER](#) is issued by the [COMMISSIONER ORGANISATION IN NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).

[NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER](#) and [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#) will be replaced with [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER](#), which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

This attribute is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIERS

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER

Change to Attribute: New Attribute

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER

Data Elements:

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER

Change to Attribute: New Attribute

A unique identifier for an [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE](#).

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER and **NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER** will be replaced with **NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER**, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

This attribute is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIERS

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER

Change to Attribute: New Attribute

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER

Data Elements:

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER

SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT TEXT STRING renamed from **SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT TEXT STRING**

Change to Attribute: Changed Description, Name

A free text string to record information relating to a [SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT](#). A free text string to record information relating to a [SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).

Note: [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#) has been renamed to [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).

SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER NHS SERVICE CONTRACT TEXT STRING renamed from **SERVICE PROVIDED UNDER AGREEMENT TEXT STRING**

Change to Attribute: Changed Description, Name

- Changed Description
- Changed Name from
Data_Dictionary.Attributes.S.Ser.SERVICE_PROVIDED_UNDER_AGREEMENT_TEXT_STRING to
Data_Dictionary.Attributes.S.Ser.SERVICE_PROVIDED_UNDER_NHS_SERVICE_CONTRACT_TEXT_STRING

COMMISSIONING SERIAL NUMBER

Change to Data Element: Changed Description

Format/Length:	max an6
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

[COMMISSIONING SERIAL NUMBER](#) is the same as attribute [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT NUMBER](#).

From 01/04/2001 this data item will be used to identify [PATIENTS](#) treated under [Non-Contract Activities](#). [NHS Trusts](#) and [NHS Foundation Trusts](#) are required to insert the letters 'OAT' (mandated input as capitals) in the first three characters of the [COMMISSIONING SERIAL NUMBER](#) field of the Admitted Patient Care Commissioning Data Set. The remaining three characters will continue to be defined locally, see [DSCN 17/2000](#).

From 01/04/2005 an '=' (equals) as the last significant character in this six character field will indicate an episode that should be excluded from the [National Tariff Payment System](#) tariff.

The position of the last character depends on any preceding characters eg 1st character if field is otherwise blank, 4th character if following 'OAT', up to a maximum of 6th position. This provides a general exclusion facility for unusual circumstances or where more specific rules regarding coding in other fields cannot be implemented due to local software restrictions.

Note: the Format/Length has been updated in [Data Dictionary Change Notice 1808 "Correction of Format/Length Data Elements"](#). 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.

~~[COMMISSIONING SERIAL NUMBER](#) will be replaced with [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#), which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.~~

Note: [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT](#) has been renamed to [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT](#).

[COMMISSIONING SERIAL NUMBER](#) and [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#) will be replaced with [NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER](#), which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER

Change to Data Element: Changed Description

Format/Length:	max an20
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

[NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#) is the same as attribute [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#).

Where a [PATIENT](#) is receiving [Non-Contract Activity](#) treatment, [Health Care Providers](#) submitting the [Commissioning Data Sets](#) should populate the first 3 characters of the [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#) with the letters 'OAT' (in capital letters). The remaining characters continue to be locally-populated as required.

Where the [ACTIVITY](#) in the [Commissioning Data Set](#) record should be excluded from the [National Tariff Payment System](#) tariff, an '=' (equals sign) should be entered as the last character in the [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#). The position of the last character depends on any preceding characters; for example where the field is otherwise blank, the '=' sign would be the first character. Where the first three characters are 'OAT' as above, the '=' sign is entered as the 4th character. The '=' sign provides a general exclusion from [National Tariff Payment System](#) processing by the [Secondary Uses Service](#) which should be used for unusual circumstances, or where more specific rules regarding population of other data fields used in the [Healthcare Resource Group](#) Payment Grouper cannot be implemented due to local system restrictions.

~~[COMMISSIONING SERIAL NUMBER](#) will be replaced with [NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER](#), which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.~~

Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.

COMMISSIONING SERIAL NUMBER and NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER will be replaced with NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER

Change to Data Element: Changed Description

Format/Length:	max an20
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER is the same as attribute NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER.

~~NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER will be replaced with NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.~~**Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.**

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER and NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER will be replaced with NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER

Change to Data Element: Changed Description

Format/Length:	max an10
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER is the same as attribute NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER.

~~NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER may be used to identify a specific NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT reference where the main identifier refers to a general omnibus agreement. NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER may be used to identify a specific NHS SERVICE CONTRACT reference where the main identifier refers to a general omnibus agreement.~~

Note: the Format/Length has been updated in [Data Dictionary Change Notice 1808 "Correction of Format/Length Data Elements"](#). 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.

~~NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER will be replaced with NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.~~**Note: NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT has been renamed to NHS SERVICE CONTRACT.**

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER and NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER will be replaced with NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

Format/Length:	max an20
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER is the same as attribute **NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER**.

Where a **PATIENT** is receiving **Non-Contract Activity** treatment, **Health Care Providers** submitting the **Commissioning Data Sets** should populate the first 3 characters of the **NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER** with the letters 'OAT' (in capital letters). The remaining characters continue to be locally populated as required.

Where the **ACTIVITY** in the **Commissioning Data Set** record should be excluded from the **National Tariff Payment System** tariff, an '=' (equals sign) should be entered as the last character in the **NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER**. The position of the last character depends on any preceding characters; for example where the field is otherwise blank, the '=' sign would be the first character. Where the first three characters are 'OAT' as above, the '=' sign is entered as the 4th character. The '=' sign provides a general exclusion from **National Tariff Payment System** processing by the **Secondary Uses Service** which should be used for unusual circumstances, or where more specific rules regarding population of other data fields used in the **Healthcare Resource Group** Payment Grouper cannot be implemented due to local system restrictions.

COMMISSIONING SERIAL NUMBER and **NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT IDENTIFIER** will be replaced with **NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER**, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER

Attribute:

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT IDENTIFIER

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

Format/Length:	max an20
National Codes:	
Default Codes:	

Notes:

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER is the same as attribute **NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER**.

NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE NUMBER and **NHS SERVICE AGREEMENT LINE IDENTIFIER** will be replaced with **NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER**, which is the most recent approved national information standard to describe the required definition.

This data element is also known by these names:

Context	Alias
plural	NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIERS

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER

Change to Data Element: New Data Element

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER

Attribute:

NHS SERVICE CONTRACT LINE IDENTIFIER

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