

Summary of Changes to Audits to match the v19 Business Rules.

The new QMAS application will not be ready to receive messages until October 2011 to match the v20 Business Rules. We have written a suite of audits which will show all the changes in indicators for this year called "Intermediate nGMS QOF 2011-12" these audits are Monitoring ONLY and follow the v19 Business Rules but report as if TODAY is 1st April 2012.

There have been minor changes done to the wording throughout the new V19 Intermediate audit. These are predominantly words that have been changed in response to the DOH's request for wording consistency. An example of this is "measured in the previous 15 months" was now changed to "measured in the preceding 15 months".

The following indicators have had significant changes in the version 19001 of the QOF audits. We have listed ONLY the changes that occurred with the accompanying Read codes clusters. More detailed information of the new V19 rules will be available in the user guide which is currently under development.

CHD:

1. CHD02 was replaced with CHD13. The rules now stipulate that the exercise testing and exercise testing declined would be completely removed. The indicator only searches for the following specialist referral codes: 8H44. , 8H4R. , 8HTJ. ,8HVJ.
2. CHD5 and 7 indicators were retired and have been completely removed.
3. CHD11 has been replaced by CHD14 with several new Read code clusters introduced:
 - a. Myocardial Infarction exception codes: 9hM.. , 9hM0. ,9hM1.
 - b. Statin therapy codes: bxi..% , bxg..% , bxe..% , bxx..% , bxd..% , 8B3z.
 - c. Statin expiring exception codes: 8BL1. , 8I3C. , 8I27. , 8I63. , 8I76.
 - d. Statin persistent exception codes: U60CA , TJC24 , TJC25
 - e. Combined Salicylate/OTC salicylate prescription codes – Salicylate bu2..% , di1..% , j11..% ,blm..% ,bu4..% ,bu2..% ,di1..% , j11..% ,blm..% ,bu4..% ,bu2..% ,di1..% , j11..% ,blm..% , bu4..% . OTC salicylate - 67I8. , 8B63. , 8B3T. , 8B6P.
 - f. Salicylate persistent exception codes: 14LK. ,ZV148 ,U6051 ,TJ53.
 - g. Salicylate expiring exception codes: 8I24. ,8I38. ,8I66. ,8I70.
 - h. Clopidogrel expiring exception codes: 8I2K. ,8I3R. ,8I6B. , 8I72.
 - i. Clopidogrel persistent exception codes: 14LQ. ,U6048 ,ZV14B
 - j. Beta Blocker expiring exception codes: 8I26. 8I2g. - 8I2i. 8I36. 8IAS. - 8IAV. 8I62. 8I6i. - 8I6k. 8I73. ,8I7K. - 8I7M.
 - k. Beta Blocker persistent exception codes:14LL. , TJC6.% , U60B7 , U60B9 - U60BB , ZVu6i, ZVu6o, ZVu6q, ZV14C
 - l. ACE inhibitor expiring exception codes: 8I28. , 8I3D. , 8I64. ,8I74.
 - m. ACE inhibitor persistent exception codes:14LM. , U60C4 , TJC77 – TJC79 , ZV14D
 - n. All antagonist expiring exception codes: 8I28. , 8I3D. , 8I64. , 8I74.
 - o. All antagonist persistent exceptions codes: 14LN. , U60CB , ZV14E
4. In ALL indicators with influenza immunisations – The Read code cluster has been changed to remove the Pandemic Flu immunisation codes and so is: drug codes n47% (excluding n47A. and n47B.) , Read Codes 65E – 65E4 , ZV048

COPD:

1. COPD01 has been renumbered to COPD14
2. COPD12 has been renumbered to COPD15. The date for diagnosis date for COPD has been moved from the 1 April 2008 to 1 April 2011.
3. COPD12: The ONLY spirometry codes acceptable is 8HRC and 745D4.

4. COPD12: ONLY the following read codes are acceptable for spirometry exception – 8I3b. , 8I6L. , 8I2j.

Cytology:

1. CS01 exception code 9NiT (Did not attend cervical smear) removed
2. CS01 exception code 9O8S (Cervical smear defaulter) removed
3. Age ranges for Scotland & Wales are now different from England and Northern Ireland. We have created a separate section for CS01 for Scotland, Wales and England & NI but in future releases there will be completely separate audits for each country. Hence in the v20 audits the country flag on your system should control which audit you import.

Dementia:

4. DEM03 indicator introduced for Patients with New Diagnosis of Dementia who require to have recorded a FULL set of Read code clusters :
 - a. Full blood count test: 423.. , 426.. , 42A.. , 42H..
 - b. Calcium test recording: 44h4. , 44I8. , 44h7. , 44IE. , 44ID. , 44IC. , 44h9. , 44hD.
 - c. Glucose test recording: 44TM. , 44f..% , 44g..% , 44T1. - 44T3. , 44TA. , 44TE. - 44TK. , 44U..% Excluding 44Uz.) , 44V.. – 44V3. , 44V6. , R102. , R10D , R1057
 - d. Renal test recording: 44J9. , 44JA. , 44J3. , 44JF. , 44JC. , 44JD.
 - e. Liver test recording: 44FA. , 44FD. , 44G7. , 44G9. , 44GB.
 - f. Thyroid Function test for dementia screening: 442W. , 442X.
 - g. Vitamin B12 level tests: 42T.. , 44Le.
 - h. Folate level tests: 42U5 , 42UE.

Depression:

1. DEP02 replaced by DEP04
2. DEP03 replaced by DEP05 with further assessment of severity done between 4 – 12 weeks after the initial assessment of severity

Diabetes:

1. DM05 indicator retired and has been removed
2. DM23 replaced by DM26 and the value has changed to HbA1c = 7.5% or less and the IFCC-HbA1c = 59mmol/mol or less.
3. DM24 replaced by DM27 and the value has changed to HbA1c = 8% or less and the IFCC-HbA1c = 64mmol/mol or less.
4. DM25 replaced by DM28 and the value has changed to HbA1c = 9% or less and the IFCC-HbA1c = 75mmol/mol or less.
5. DM9 replaced by DM29 with several new Read code clusters:
 - a. Neuropathy testing exception codes: 8I3W. , 8I6G. , 8IAo. , 8IB5.
 - b. Foot examination exception codes: 8I6G. , 8I3W. , 8IAo. , 8IB6.
 - c. Foot risk classification codes: 2G5E. , 2G5F. , 2G5G. , 2G5H. , 2G5I. , 2G5J. , 2G5K. , 2G5L.
 - d. Right foot amputation codes: 2G42. , 2G44. , 2G46.
 - e. Left foot amputation codes: 2G43. , 2G45. , 2G47.
6. DM10 new exclusion codes for amputation of BOTH feet – Read codes as DM9 amputation codes.
7. DM11 indicator retired and has been removed.

8. DM12 replaced by DM30 & DM31 and the BP values have changed to 150/90 or less and to 140/80 or less.
10. DM16 indicator retired and has been removed

Epilepsy:

1. Epilep07 indicator retired and has been removed.
2. Epilep09 new indicator with several new Read code clusters:
 - a. Only for female patients under 55 years.
 - b. Contraceptive counselling codes: 6110.
 - c. Pre-conception advice codes: 67Ij0
 - d. Pregnancy advice codes: 67AF.
 - e. Contraceptive counselling inappropriate or declined exception codes: 8IAg. , 8IB2.
 - f. Pre-conception advice inappropriate or declined exception codes: 8IAh. , 8IB3.
 - g. Pregnancy advice inappropriate or declined exception codes: 8IAi. , 8IB4.
 - h. Hysterectomy and equivalent codes: 685H. , 685I. , 685K. , 9O8Y. , 7E05.% , 7E040 , 7E042 , 7E043 , 7E046 , E049 , 7E04B , 7E04G , 7LOA.% , ZV6G8
 - i. Sterilisation codes: 7E10.% , 7E111 , 7E113 , 7E115 , 7E15.% , 7E160 , 7E162 , 7E1C. , 7E1D0 , 159A. , ZV25x , ZV252

Learning Disability:

1. LD02 indicator introduced with several new LD Read code clusters, note Down's Syndrome patients need BOTH LD Register code and Down's Syndrome code:
 - a. Learning disability codes: E3...% , Eu7..% , Eu814 , Eu815 , Eu816 , Eu817 , Eu81z , 918e.
 - b. Hypothyroidism diagnosis codes: C03..% , C04..%
 - c. Hypothyroidism treatment codes: f9...%
 - d. Learning disability exception codes: 9hL..%
 - e. Down's Syndrome codes: PJ0..%
 - f. Thyroid function test codes: 442..%

Mental Health:

1. MH Register Psychosis, schizophrenia and bipolar affected disease codes for MH11, MH12, MH13, MH14, MH15, MH16: E10..% , E110.% , E111.% , E1124. E1134, E114. – E117z , E11y.% (excluding E11y2) , E11z. , E11z0 , E11zz , E12..% , E13..% (excluding E135.) , E2122, Eu2..% , Eu30.% , Eu31.% , Eu323, Eu328 , Eu333, Eu329 , Eu32A
2. MH register codes for remission from serious mental illness for MH11, MH12, MH13, MH14, MH15, MH16: E1005 , E1015 , E1025 , E1035 , E1055 , E1075 , E1106 , E1116 , E1146 , E1156 , Eu317 , E1166 , E1176 , Eu329 , Eu32A , Eu26. , Eu223
3. MH11 with several new Read code clusters:
 - a. Alcohol consumption codes: 136..% (excluding 1368.,1369.,136M., 136W., 136Y., 136b.)
 - b. Alcohol consumption screening refused codes: 8IA7. , 8IAt.
4. New Indicator MH12 with BMI code recorded
5. New Indicator MH13 with BP recorded and BP exception code 8I3Y.
6. New Indicator MH14 with cholesterol recorded (code 44PG.)
7. New Indicator MH15 with blood glucose recorded: 44TM. , 44f..% , 44g..% , 44T1. - 44T3. , 44TA. , 44TE. - 44TK. , 44U..% (Excluding 44Uz.) , 44V.. – 44V3. , 44V6. , R102. , R10D. , R1057
8. MH15 with exception of Diabetes diagnosis codes: C10E.% , C10F.% (excluding C10F8)
9. MH15 unless they have Diabetes resolved: 21263 , 212H.
10. New Indicator MH16 with several new Read code clusters:
 - a. Hysterectomy and equivalent codes: 685H. , 685I. , 685K. , 9O8Y. , 7E05.% , 7E040 , 7E042 , 7E043 , 7E046 , 7E049 , 7E04B , 7E04G , 7LOA.% , ZV6G8

- b. Cervical smear codes: 4K22.-4K29. , 4K2C. , 4KA1. , 4KA3. , 4KA4. , 6856. , 6859. , 685B. – 685D. , 685R. , 7E2A2 , 7E2A3 , ZV762 , 7E2A0
 - c. Cytology exception reporting codes: 6853. , 685L. , 8I6K. , 9O8Q.
11. MH4 replaced by MH17 with Serum creatinine and TSH tested in the last 9 months.
 12. MH5 replaced by MH18 with lithium levels in the therapeutic range in the last 4 months.
 13. MH6 replaced by MH10 with new criteria for success criteria for the comprehensive care plan documented.

Records:

1. Removal of Records21, indicator retired

Smoking:

1. Smoke02 Exception1: Made a change to the exception to fix an error in previous audits that will exclude all asthma patients under 20 years. Previous version would include patients over 20 if spurious asthma diagnosis was entered into patient's record.

Stroke:

1. Stroke05 removed, indicator retired.

A set of QOF Guidelines have been written to accompany these audits and can be downloaded from the INPS Website.