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# Registry News



## Welcome from the UK Renal Registry

We hope you like the new format for our news sheet and hope it contains some useful information for you, your colleagues and organisations.

The purpose of this news sheet is to inform you of the activities within the Registry and advise you of any changes or issues that may affect the way data is collected and submitted to us.

Please copy or forward on to others within your department who may benefit from this information.

*The Renal Registry Team*



## MESSAGE of the MONTH

What do we mean by '**Date of 1st ERF treatment**' for haemodialysis patients?

- To establish the take-on population we need the date of 1st haemodialysis session. This is a crucial marker which if incorrect or inconsistent may distort the figures for the unit.
- The take-on population is defined as all patients over 18 who started RRT in UK Registry centres and did not have a recovery code within 90 days.
- The 1st ERF treatment date for haemodialysis patients is the date they first received haemodialysis irrespective of being an inpatient or outpatient.
- If they appear to be an acute patient who recovers within a week or two, but then subsequently returns to HD within 90 days the first dialysis date would be the date of the first dialysis as an acute.  
e.g. A patient is admitted as a crash lander on 1st March 2009 receives HD on 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th March, then recovers and receives no further dialysis until 20th April, their date of 1st ERF treatment will be 2nd March 2009.
- Should they not return to dialysis within 90 days they are classed as acute and we exclude them from the take-on analysis count.

Hope this helps.....

## **National Renal Dataset.**

- Some of the NRD data items have been made mandatory from May this year, with remaining items becoming mandatory in 2011.
- We have been working towards a new dataset to encompass these changes and are currently upgrading our database to collect these items.
- Version 3.13 of the UK Renal Registry Dataset will soon be issued to the software companies. If you require a copy you will be able to download it via our website [www.renalreg.org](http://www.renalreg.org)
- We will notify you when the new dataset is available.



### **Renal PatientView**

The administration of Renal PatientView is now managed by the Renal Registry. If you require any information please contact Fiona Braddon at [fiona@renalreg.com](mailto:fiona@renalreg.com).

### **Staff Updates**

**New Deputy Director:** we have recently appointed Prof Chris Maggs into the position of Deputy Director to help David Ansell with his ever increasing work load.

**Secretarial changes:** Agi Dudas has left and moved to Florida, USA, and will be missed by all. Her post has been filled by Lynsey Billett who has re-joined us as Data Manager / Secretary. Some of you may remember Lynsey from her previous time with us.

### **We are on the move:**



During November we will be moving to new offices on the Southmead site. Our offices will be closed during the move.

Our address is not changing. Please watch this space for further details .

### **Telephone Number Changes**

As part of the NBT modernisation plans our telephone numbers have changed. The middle 3 digits which previously were 959 have changed to 323, making our new telephone number 0117 323 5665. This format also applies for any other numbers you may have for individual members of the Renal Registry.

Please can you amend your records accordingly.

If you would like to receive a personal copy of this news sheet and you are not on our mailing list please email your request to [renalreg@renalreg.com](mailto:renalreg@renalreg.com) - marking the subject line News sheet.



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