

**Change Notification:**

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Date of Issue: 8 October 2015

**Proposed Implementation Date:** 1 July 2016**Subject:**

Alcohol Involved field

**CHANGE NOTIFICATION****Summary:**

This change notification advises the sector that as part of NCAMP 2015, the Emergency Department Advisory Group (EDAG) nominated five DHBs to commence a pilot involving capturing and reporting patient presentations to Emergency Departments (EDs) where alcohol was an associated factor.

As a separate exercise the data collected from the pilot sites has been analysed. The results of this analysis have led to the decision that the field should be rolled out on a voluntary basis to other (non-pilot) EDs.

**National Collections Impacted by Change:**

NNPAC

**Context of the Change:**

The pilot will have run for one year (July 2015 to June 2016) in the pilot DHBs' EDs, with data being collected in the national collections data warehouse.

Our analysis has informed the decision on how to move forward on a national basis.

The pilot DHBs are: Capital & Coast, Whanganui, Lakes, Southern (Dunedin) and Waikato.

**Details of Proposed Change:**

All DHBs will remain on file version 6.0. The five DHBs in the pilot will continue to populate the alcohol involved field for events with a start date on or after 1 July 2015.

Non-pilot DHBs can populate this field on a voluntary basis.

**What is Expected of the Sector:**

From changes made as part of NCAMP 2015 all DHBs will have added the field "Alcohol Involved" to the NNPAC load file after the "Mode of Delivery" field in file load version 6.0. Pilot DHBs will already be populating the field.

All other DHBs may—on a voluntary basis—submit values for records with an event type of ED, and for events with a start date on or after 1 July 2016:

- Y = Yes (agreement with the Alcohol Involved question)
- N = No (disagree with the Alcohol Involved question)
- U = Not known
- S = Secondary (presentation is as a consequence of others' alcohol consumption).

Only one value will be able to be submitted per event record.

DHBs that choose to populate this field must advise the Ministry NCAMP project manager so that validations can be altered to allow the collection of this field.

**Impact of Change on National Collection(s):**

The Ministry of Health will be able to collect alcohol involved information from the pilot and any voluntarily contributing DHBs in NNPAC.

**Comments:**

The Emergency Department Advisory Group and the Australasian College of Emergency Medicine have appointed Dr Paul Quigley from Capital & Coast DHB as the clinical lead for this initiative.

**Contact:** If you have any questions regarding this change notice, please email [ncamp@moh.govt.nz](mailto:ncamp@moh.govt.nz) or contact Ron Wood (Project Manager) on 04 816 3352.