

National Vascular Registry: A National Prospective Audit

Migration of NVD data into NVR IT System

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The AAA repair data from the NVD will be uploaded into the NVR IT system in the evening of 14th May. There are a number of important points to note about this migration process:

- We have produced a [detailed spreadsheet](#) that contains technical information about the migration process for data on CEA and AAA repair procedures. This spreadsheet shows which data items have been mapped across and how we have translated individual questions and answer options into the required format for the NVR. This spreadsheet will be updated with more information once the lower limb bypass and amputation data is uploaded to the NVR IT system.
- The CEA data was uploaded last week, and the data on bypass and amputations will be uploaded in the near future.
- As previously mentioned, the NVR has much more stringent validation rules compared to the NVD. To cater for this, all records have been uploaded in a 'submitted state.' Therefore, records will have to be unlocked before any changes or updates can be made to them.
- Please contact the NVR Helpdesk, the Northgate Helpdesk or your local NVR administrator in order to unlock records.
- There were data issues with a small percentage of cases (e.g. no operation date), which meant that they were not uploaded into the NVR. If you feel you are missing cases, please contact the NVR helpdesk. For more details, please see our document on the [Overview of the Data Migration Process](#).

Carotid procedures undertaken prior to 2008

In undertaking the migration, we noticed a small number of carotid procedures undertaken before 2008 that may have been entered under the incorrect hospital or the incorrect surgeon at that hospital. We were unable to confirm the accuracy of this from the information available to us. We therefore migrated these records without making any changes to the previously entered data, taking the view that the information was best reviewed locally. If you have entered records on carotid procedures before 2008, please run the Carotid Reporting tool to check the records are allocated to hospitals and surgeons correctly. To do this, choose the widest possible range of dates (by leaving dates blank) and then filter by organisation. If you notice any mistakes, please contact the NVR helpdesk either by phone (0207 869 6621) or by email (nvr@rcseng.ac.uk).

Publication of Surgeon Level Statistics in 2014

HQIP, under the direction of NHS England have again asked the NVR to publish results on AAA repair and CEA procedures for individual consultants in 2014. We will send out a newsletter later this week with a focus on the publication of surgeon level statistics, including the timelines for data entry and data checking. In brief:

- Individual consultants will not be required to give consent for their data to be published.
- The results for 2014 will again be on CEA and elective infra-renal AAA repairs
- The results for 2014 will be made available on our website and not as a pdf document.
- The expected publication date will be in September 2014.