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Dear Colleagues

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Introduction of the Radiotherapy Data Set

This Welsh Health Circular formally communicates the introduction of a Radiotherapy Data Set in Wales.

The purpose of the data set is to improve availability and use (locally and centrally) of data already held about treatment given to patients by radiotherapy facilities and to direct the development of systems supporting data collection and use in the small number of facilities that do not yet hold such data.

The new standard will impact on three centres that deliver radiotherapy services in Wales and will enable benchmarking of radiotherapy services across Wales and with those in the rest of the UK. The implementation of a Radiotherapy Data Set comparable to that used in England and Scotland will enable us to support radiotherapy service delivery as well as inform clinical outcomes.

The Radiotherapy Data Set was approved by the Welsh Information Standards Board on the 18th September 2014. The data set is expected to flow from each site as soon as they are able to do so, data will be monitored and improved during the pilot / testing phase with full data collection and formal submissions expected from the 1st April 2015.

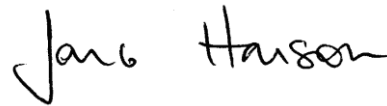
[Data Set Change Notice - DSCN 2015 / 03](#) outlines the data requirements and submission arrangements for the Radiotherapy Data Set which will be managed by the National Clinical Analysis and Specialised Applications Team (NATCANSAT) Radiotherapy Management Service via a Service Level Agreement with the NHS Wales Informatics Service.

If you have any queries regarding the introduction of the data set, please contact:

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