

VTE Risk Assessment Data Collection , April to June 2011

The fourth quarterly statistics on Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Risk Assessment in England, produced by the Department of Health were released on 2 September according to the arrangements approved by the UK Statistics Authority.

VTE Risk Assessment data collection – 2011-12 QUARTER 1

The key points from the latest release are:

The key results for data collected on the number and proportion of VTE Risk Assessments carried out on adult admissions to NHS funded acute care are as follows:

- Of the 3.1m adult patients admitted to NHS funded acute care between April to June 2011, as reported in this data collection, 84% of these received a VTE risk assessment on admission, an increase compared to Q4 2010-11 (81%).
- In Q1 2011-12, the proportion of admissions receiving a VTE risk assessment was higher for NHS acute providers (84.1%) than for Independent Sector providers (80.2%). The compliance rate for NHS acute providers is much higher than for other types of providers, so this may have an influence on the performance figures.
- Between April and June, the proportion of providers who reported that at least half of all adult admissions were risk assessed for VTE increased from 92% to 95%.
- In June 2011, 131 providers reported that at least 90% of adult admissions were risk assessed for VTE, compared to 18 in July 2010.

The full data tables can be found on the Department of Health website:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsStatistics/DH_129232