

# Statement of voluntary compliance with the Code of Practice for Annual Statistics

NHS Resolution is publishing this data set on their website on an annual basis.

NHS Resolution is responsible for the publication of this dataset, including the data collection and its quality assurance. DHSC has retained an advisory role in the production of this publication. Although the annual statistics are not official statistics or National Statistics, where possible NHS Resolution have been guided by the UK Statistics Authority's [Code of Practice for Statistics](#) in their production. The Code is framed around three pillars: trustworthiness; quality; and value.

Table 1 explains how these pillars have been applied to the Annual Statistics in a proportionate way to demonstrate voluntary compliance, in line with the [Guide for Voluntary Application of the Code](#).

**Table 1: How NHS Resolution voluntarily comply with the pillars of the Code of Practice for Statistics**

<p><b>Trustworthiness</b></p> <p>Confidence in the people and organisations that produce statistics and data</p>	<p>This data set is generated from our claims management system and our financial accounting system. The data is checked and quality assured by our data analysts in NHS Resolution.</p> <p>Annual report claims and financial data is subject to internal and external audit. National Audit Office (NAO) test the underlying data and the numbers reported in the financial statements have been audited by NAO. However, these processes cannot completely eliminate the risk of error in the underlying data.</p> <p>The NHS resolution data set aims to present results in an objective manner subject to internal management review before publication.</p>
<p><b>Quality</b></p> <p>Data and methods that produce assured statistics</p>	<p>The data used is sourced from our internal systems so the results are subject to the quality of the underlying data source. NHS Resolution have appointed independent internal auditors and they perform an annual audit of the quality of data entered against claims across a sample of the population. Further reviews are carried out by internal quality assurance teams and the NAO.</p> <p>The claims system is used to manage all claims within NHS resolution and is critical to all aspects of managing a claim.</p> <p>Analysts in NHS Resolution undertake quality assurance of the results data to minimise errors and improve adherence to the prescribed methodologies.</p> <p>Examples of the types of data quality checks we carry out include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Double uniqueness – Ensuring any data is only counted once where defined;</li> <li>• Data validity – Excluding any invalid data;</li> <li>• Data completeness – Ensure that all valid data is included;</li> <li>• Correct categorisation – Ensure data is categorised correctly;</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Consistency – Ensure data is treated consistently over each year.</li></ul>
<b>Value</b> Statistics that support society's needs for information	<p>A significant proportion of the data in these datasets is already in the public domain. The Annual Statistics will, however, provide publicly available standard datasets that will improve transparency and can more readily be used by members of the public and for research purposes.</p> <p>Users can contact NHS Resolution with questions on this data at <a href="mailto:nhsr.foi@nhs.net">nhsr.foi@nhs.net</a></p>