

Standardised Approach to Recording

The records of a person with diabetes being ‘offered’ or ‘referred’ for diabetes structured education is currently well recorded and captured in GP systems. Evidence of this is reflected in the NDA findings.

GP practices are encouraged to continue to record referral to diabetes structured education.

Data capture on **attendance** at diabetes structured education is poor and therefore the guidance below relates to improving recording of the outcome of the referral.

Use of only four standard, generic Read Codes

It is recommended that all education providers use standard, generic Read Codes to communicate the outcome of a referral to diabetes structured education.



TABLE I

Outcome of referral to diabetes structured education	Vision/EMIS/ other systems	System One
1. Diabetes structured education declined	9OLM	XaNTH
2. Did not attend diabetes structured education	9NiA	XaNtA
3. Attended* diabetes structured education	9OLB	XaKHØ
4. Diabetes structured education completed	9OLF	XaX5D

* Where a structured education course consists of more than one session, and the patient only attends some of the sessions then enter a Read Code of attended. If the patient attends all the sessions and completes the course enter a Read Code of completed.

The Read Codes above are recommended as the minimum dataset to capture for structured education. Providers and those in primary care who are using more detailed codes – referencing DAFNE, DESMOND or X-PERT can still continue to use these **in addition to the standard, generic codes** as long as they appear in the NDA data submission specification. See Appendix A for a list of all the Read Codes used in the NDA data capture.