



Reporting of Data for Non-Permanent Consultants in HIPE

As part of the new consultant contract and the public/private monitoring, it is necessary to introduce a national policy on the coding and collection of information on non-permanent consultants in HIPE.

With effect from 1 September 2008:

- ❑ All non-permanent consultants must be identified by their full names.
- ❑ All non-permanent consultants will be issued with a nationally unique code.
- ❑ Cases associated with a non-permanent consultant must be coded to the appropriate non-permanent consultant code and must not be re-coded to other consultants.

Note that all non-permanent consultants must be registered using the standard ESRI consultant registration form available on www.esri.ie. Where a non-permanent consultant has already been registered as a consultant on the system on a previous occasion, the original consultant code will be issued.

Hospitals should immediately ensure that all non-permanent consultants are registered using the new policy. They should also ensure that the PAS/HIS systems are updated to reflect the new codes.

Codes associated with generic or specialty-based non-permanent consultants and codes for non-permanent consultants who are no longer employed within the system, should be “retired” using the retirement facility in the configuration program.

The process of encrypting all consultant codes on export to the ESRI will continue as before.