

BSR National Audit

Time to DMARD Treatment in Newly-Diagnosed Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA)

Centre Number

1008

Patient
Hospital No.

Q1 Gender:
Male 1

Female 2

Q2 Ethnicity:
White British 1

White Other 2

Black 3

Asian 4

Mixed 5

Other 6

If Other, please specify

Q3 Age at Onset of Rheumatoid Arthritis (years)
16 - 30 1

31 - 50 2

51 - 70 3

Over 70 4

Q4 Was the patient started on a DMARD within 12 weeks of disease onset?

Yes 1

No 2

Q5* Time from disease onset to GP Referral
0 - 3 weeks 1

4 - 6 weeks 2

7 - 9 weeks 3

10 - 12 weeks 4

> 12 weeks 5

Q6 Time from GP referral to first hospital visit
0 - 3 weeks 1

4 - 6 weeks 2

7 - 9 weeks 3

10 - 12 weeks 4

> 12 weeks 5

Q7 Time from first hospital visit to starting DMARD:

0 - 3 weeks 1

4 - 6 weeks 2

7 - 9 weeks 3

10 - 12 weeks 4

> 12 weeks 5

Q8* Was there a delay between the first hospital visit to starting a DMARD?

Yes Go to Q 9 1

No Go To End 2

Q9* Was the delay the result of the following choices?

Diagnostic Uncertainty 1

Contra-indication to DMARD treatment 2

Lack of follow-up slots in clinic 3

Other 4

*** Notes:**

Q5 The time of disease onset is likely to be imprecise, please provide the "Best guess".

Q8 & 9 are designed to capture the uncertainties of clinical practice. Sometimes, the clinician will delay DMARD treatment for reasons such as diagnostic uncertainty, patient needs more time to consent to treatment, unexplained blood or x-ray findings, administrative failure, etc. etc..