

Indicator	Query	Response	Date
OB1	Can patients be included on the Obesity Register if it has not been possible to accurately measure their height and weight?	Ideally height and weight should be measured to obtain BMI but if a patient for instance was wheelchair bound but clearly had a BMI >30, they can be included in the Obesity Register by using the code 22K5. (Body Mass Index 30 plus - Obesity).	15.06.06
Obesity/DM2	For the BMI to be calculated for DM2 and the Obesity Register – does the height only ever need recorded the once in the patient's life for the BMI to be calculated?	The achievement against these indicators require practices to record BMI in selected patients within a specified time period. Each GP IT system will calculate BMI from a combination of height and weight measurements. Clearly weight is likely to vary with time but height is less likely to do so. A clinical judgement therefore needs to be made in each case as to whether re-measurement of height is required on each occasion.	25.03.09