

# Elective care waiting list episode—elective care type, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Waiting list category
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	335048
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 13/12/2011
<b>Definition:</b>	The type of elective hospital care that a patient requires, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Elective care waiting list episode—elective care type</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Elective care type code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Classification scheme:</b>	<a href="#">Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) 5th edition</a>	
<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	Number	
<b>Format:</b>	N	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1	

	Value	Meaning
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Elective surgery
	2	Other

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:**

Elective surgery comprises elective care where the procedures required by patients are listed in the surgical operations section of the Medicare benefits schedule, with the exclusion of specific procedures frequently done by non-surgical clinicians.

Elective care is care that, in the opinion of the treating clinician, is necessary and admission for which can be delayed for at least twenty-four hours.

**CODE 1 Elective surgery**

All elective surgery, that is excluding procedures listed in exclusion list for Code 2, should be included in this code.

**CODE 2 Other**

Patients awaiting the following procedures should be classified as Code 2 - other:

- organ or tissue transplant procedures
- procedures associated with obstetrics (e.g. elective caesarean section, cervical suture)
- cosmetic surgery, i.e. when the procedure will not attract a Medicare rebate
- biopsy of:
  - kidney (needle only)
  - lung (needle only)
  - liver and gall bladder (needle only)
- bronchoscopy (including fibre-optic bronchoscopy)
- peritoneal renal dialysis;
- haemodialysis
- colonoscopy
- endoscopic retrograde cholangio-pancreatography (ERCP)
- endoscopy of:
  - biliary tract
  - oesophagus
  - small intestine
  - stomach
- endovascular interventional procedures
- gastroscopy
- miscellaneous cardiac procedures
- oesophagoscopy
- panendoscopy (except when involving the bladder)
- proctosigmoidoscopy
- sigmoidoscopy
- anoscopy
- urethroscopy and associated procedures
- dental procedures not attracting a Medicare rebate
- other diagnostic and non-surgical procedures.

These procedure terms are also defined by the Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) codes which are listed under Comments below. This coded list is the recommended, but optional, method for determining whether a patient is classified as requiring elective surgery or other care.

**Comments:**

The table of Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) (5th edition) procedure codes was prepared by the National Centre for Classification in Health. Some codes were excluded from the list on the basis that they are usually performed by non-surgeon clinicians. A more extensive and detailed listing of procedure descriptors is under development. This will replace the list in the Guide for use to facilitate more readily the identification of the exclusions when the list of codes is not used.

**ACHI CODES FOR THE EXCLUDED PROCEDURES:**

Organ or tissue transplant:

90172-00 [555] 90172-01 [555] 90204-00 [659] 90204-01 [659] 90205-00 [660] 90205-01 [660] 13700-00 [801] 13706-08 [802] 13706-00 [802] 13706-06 [802] 13706-07 [802] 13706-09 [802] 13706-10 [802] 30375-21 [817] 90317-00 [954] 90324-00 [981] 36503-00 [1058] 36503-01 [1058] 14203-01 [1906]

Procedures associated with obstetrics: 16511-00 [1274]  
Obstetric Blocks [1330] to [1345] and [1347]

90463-01 [1330] 90488-00 [1330]

Biopsy (needle) of:

- kidney: 36561-00 [1047]
- lung: 38412-00 [550]
- liver and gall bladder: 30409-00 [953] 30412-00 [953] 90319-01 [951] 30094-04 [964]

Bronchoscopy:

41889-00 [543] 41892-00 [544] 41904-00 [546] 41764-02 [416] 41895-00 [544]  
41764-04 [532] 41892-01 [545] 41901-00 [545] 41898-00 [543] 41898-01 [544]  
41889-01 [543] 41849-00 [520] 41764-03 [520] 41855-00 [520]

Peritoneal renal dialysis:

13100-06 [1061] 13100-07 [1061] 13100-08 [1061] 13100-00 [1060]

Endoscopy of biliary tract:

30484-00 [957] 30484-01 [957] 30484-02 [974] 30494-00 [971] 30452-00 [971]  
30491-00 [958] 30491-01 [958] 30485-00 [963] 30485-01 [963] 30452-01 [958]  
30450-00 [959] 30452-02 [959] 90349-00 [975]

Endoscopy of oesophagus:

30473-03 [850] 30473-04 [861] 41822-00 [861] 30478-11 [856] 41819-00 [862]  
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Panendoscopy:

30476-03 [874] 32095-00 [891] 30568-00 [893] 30569-00 [894] 30473-05 [1005]  
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Endoscopy of large intestine, rectum and anus:

32075-00 [904] 32090-00 [905] 32084-00 [905] 30479-02 [908] 90308-00 [908]  
32075-01 [910] 32078-00 [910] 32081-00 [910] 32090-01 [911] 32093-00 [911]  
32084-01 [911] 32087-00 [911] 30479-01 [931] 90315-00 [933]

Miscellaneous cardiac:

38603-00 [642] 38600-00 [642] 38256-00 [647] 38256-01 [647] 38256-02 [647]  
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Endovascular interventional:

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Urethroscopy:

36800-00 [1090] 36800-01 [1090] 37011-00 [1093] 37008-01 [1093] 37008-00  
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Dental:

Blocks [450] to [490]

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Other diagnostic and non-surgical:

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Blocks [1820] to [1939], [1940] to [2016]

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