

# Specialised mental health service—number of service contacts

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	427096
Registration status:	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 07/02/2013
Definition:	The number of service contacts provided to individual patients or clients by an <a href="#">ambulatory mental health care service</a> .

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class:	<a href="#">Specialised mental health service</a>
Definition:	Specialised mental health services are those with a primary function to provide treatment, rehabilitation or community health support targeted towards people with a mental disorder or psychiatric disability. These activities are delivered from a service or facility that is readily identifiable as both specialised and serving a mental health care function.
Context:	Hospitals and community mental health establishments and residential mental health establishments.
Specialisation of:	<a href="#">Service/care event</a>

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>The concept of a specialised mental health service is not dependent on the inclusion of the service within the state or territory mental health budget.</p> <p>A service is not defined as a specialised mental health service solely because its clients include people affected by a mental disorder or psychiatric disability.</p> <p>The definition excludes specialist drug and alcohol services and services for people with intellectual disabilities, except where they are established to assist people affected by a mental disorder who also have drug and alcohol related disorders or intellectual disability.</p> <p>These services can be a sub-unit of a hospital even where the hospital is not a specialised mental health establishment itself (e.g. designated psychiatric units and wards, outpatient clinics).</p>
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## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Property:	<a href="#">Number of service contacts</a>
Definition:	The number of service contacts provided to individual patients or clients by a service provider.
Property group:	<a href="#">Service provision event</a>

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Relational attributes

### Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [Specialised mental health service—number of service contacts provided to clients by an ambulatory mental health care service](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 07/02/2013

See also [Mental health service contact](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2013

See also [Mental health service contact](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 20/01/2021

See also [Mental health service contact](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 20/01/2021  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

### Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

[Specialised mental health service—number of service contacts, total NNNNNN](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2013