Person—level of functional independence, Functional Independence Measure score code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Level of functional independence (FIM™ score) |
| METEOR identifier: | 449150 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018[Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 19/01/2018 |
| Definition: | A person's level of functional independence, as represented by a FIM™ score-based code.Functional independence is the ability to carry out activities of daily living safely and autonomously. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—level of functional independence](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/449145)  |
| Value Domain: | [Functional Independence Measure score code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/449147) |

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| Value domain attributes |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | Number |
| Format: | N |
| Maximum character length: | 1 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Total assistance with helper |
|   | 2 | Maximal assistance with helper |
|   | 3 | Moderate assistance with helper |
|   | 4 | Minimal assistance with helper |
|   | 5 | Supervision or setup with helper |
|   | 6 | Modified independence with no helper |
|   | 7  | Complete independence with no helper  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | The Functional Independence Measure (FIM™) is an instrument which indicates a patient's disability level.FIM™ is comprised of 18 items, grouped into 2 subscales - motor and cognition.The motor subscale includes:* Eating
* Grooming
* Bathing
* Dressing, upper body
* Dressing, lower body
* Toileting
* Bladder management
* Bowel management
* Transfers - bed/chair/wheelchair
* Transfers - toilet
* Transfers - bath/shower
* Walk/wheelchair
* Stairs

The cognition subscale includes:* Comprehension
* Expression
* Social interaction
* Problem solving
* Memory

Each item is scored on a 7 point ordinal scale, ranging from a score of 1 to a score of 7. The higher the score, the more independent the patient is in performing the task associated with that item. The total FIM™ score ranges from 18 to 126. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |

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| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Person—level of functional independence, Functional Independence Measure score code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/681470)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 18/12/2019       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 06/05/2020 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care DSS 2014-15](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/556874)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 13/11/2014***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2014***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015***Conditional obligation:*** Only the Functional Independence Measure scores at admission are required to be reported.Only required to be reported for episodes of admitted patient care with [Hospital service—care type, code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/491557) recorded as:* Code 2, Rehabilitation care; or
* Code 4, Geriatric evaluation and management.

Only required to be reported when the [Episode of admitted patient care—clinical assessment only indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/471807) value is recorded as Code 2, No.Not required to be reported for patients aged 16 years and under at admission.[Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care DSS 2015-16](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/588098)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 19/11/2015***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016***Conditional obligation:*** Only the Functional Independence Measure scores at admission are required to be reported.Only required to be reported for episodes of admitted patient care with [Hospital service—care type, code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/584408) recorded as:* Code 2, Rehabilitation care; or
* Code 4, Geriatric evaluation and management.

[Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2016-17](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/611617)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 03/11/2016***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017***Conditional obligation:*** Only the Functional Independence Measure scores at admission are required to be reported.Only required to be reported for episodes of admitted patient care with [Hospital service—care type, code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/584408) recorded as:* Code 2, Rehabilitation care; or
* Code 4, Geriatric evaluation and management.

 Not required to be reported for patients aged 17 years and under at admission. [Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2017-18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/639479)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018       [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Recorded 04/08/2016***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018***Conditional obligation:*** Only the Functional Independence Measure scores at admission are required to be reported.Only required to be reported for episodes of admitted patient care with [Hospital service—care type, code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/584408) recorded as:* Code 2, Rehabilitation care; or
* Code 4, Geriatric evaluation and management.

Not required to be reported for patients aged 17 years and under at admission. [Tasmanian Subacute/Non-acute Data Set - 2016](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/664907)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 18/01/2018***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017[Tasmanian Subacute/Non-acute Data Set - 2017](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/690557)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 18/01/2018***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018[Tasmanian Subacute/Non-acute Data Set - 2018](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/690564)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 06/05/2020***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2019[Tasmanian Subacute/Non-acute Data Set - 2019](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/715184)       [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 06/05/2020***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2019***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2020 |