Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Emergency department departure time
METEOR identifier:	471882
Registration status:	Health, Superseded 30/01/2012
Definition:	The time at which a patient departs an emergency department after a stay, expressed as hhmm.
Context:	Emergency department care.
Data Element Concept:	Emergency department stay—physical departure time
Value Domain:	Time hhmm

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Time
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	hhmm
Maximum character length:	4

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Reference documents:	ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats - Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

| **Guide for use:** | The value of the episode end status code should guide the selection of the value to be recorded in this field: |

- If the patient is subsequently admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward), then record the time the patient leaves the emergency department to go to the admitted patient facility.
  - Patients admitted to any other ward or bed within the emergency department have not physically departed the emergency department until they leave the emergency department.
  - If the patient is admitted and subsequently dies before leaving the emergency department then record the time the body was removed from the emergency department.
- If the service episode is completed without the patient being admitted, then record the time the patient's emergency department non-admitted clinical care ended.
- If the service episode is completed and the patient is referred to another hospital for admission, then record the time the patient leaves the emergency department.
- If the patient did not wait, then record the time the patient leaves the emergency department or was first noticed as having left.
- If the patient left at their own risk, then record the time the patient left the emergency department or was first noticed as having left.
- If the patient died in the emergency department, then record the time the body was removed from the emergency department.
- If the patient was dead on arrival then record the time the body was removed from the emergency department. If an emergency department physician certified the death of the patient outside the emergency department, then record the time the patient was certified dead.

Collection methods: Collected in conjunction with emergency department stay physical departure date.

Comments: This data element has been developed for the purpose of State and Territory compliance with the Australian Health Care Agreement and the agreed national access performance indicator.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm](#)
   [Health,](#) Superseded 22/12/2011

Has been superseded by [Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm](#)
   [Health,](#) Superseded 11/11/2015
   [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority,](#) Standard 31/10/2012
   [National Health Performance Authority (retired),](#) Retired 01/07/2016
   [Tasmanian Health,](#) Superseded 08/12/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care DSS 1 January 2012-30 June 2012](#)
   [Health,](#) Retired 30/01/2012
   Implementation start date: 01/01/2012
   Implementation end date: 30/06/2012