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# Patient—ear selection at operation, yes/no code N

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

**Short name:** Ear selection at operation

METEOR identifier: 535307

Registration status: Indigenous, Standard 05/09/2014

**Definition:** An indicator of whether the patient's ear to be operated on will be decided at the

time of the operation, as represented by a code.

Data Element Concept: Patient—ear selection at operation

Value Domain: Yes/no/not applicable/unknown/not stated/inadequately described code N

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Value Meaning

Permissible values: 1 Yes

2 No

**Supplementary values:** 7 Not applicable

8 Unknown

9 Not stated/inadequately described

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: A decision may be made by an ear, nose and throat (ENT) specialist at the time of

surgery as to which ear is to be operated on. This is because there is time lag between the recommendation for surgery and the actual surgery taking place. Within that time, the condition of the ear may have changed. Therefore, this decision may be made at the time of surgery. It is more likely to happen when

a child has diseases in both ears.

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Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Specifications:

Indigenous, Standard 05/09/2014

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