

Elective surgery waiting list episode—clinical urgency

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	598030
Registration status:	Health , Standard 12/06/2015 Tasmanian Health , Standard 01/12/2016
Definition:	A clinical assessment of the urgency with which a patient requires elective surgery .
Context:	Elective surgery: Categorisation of waiting list patients by clinical urgency assists hospital management and clinicians in the prioritisation of their workloads. It gives health consumers a reasonable estimate of the maximum time they should expect to wait for care. Clinical urgency classification allows a meaningful measure of system performance to be calculated, namely the number or proportion of patients who wait for times in excess of the maximum desirable time limit for their urgency category (metadata item the overdue patient status).

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class:	Elective surgery waiting list episode
Definition:	The period between entry to and removal from an elective surgery waiting list.
Specialisation of:	Service episode

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
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Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property:	Clinical urgency
Definition:	A clinical assessment of the urgency with which care, treatment or assistance is required.
Property group:	Service/care urgency

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Data element concept attributes

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	National Health Information Standards and Statistics Committee
Reference documents:	AIHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) 2013. National definitions for elective surgery urgency categories: proposal for the Standing Council on Health. Cat. no. HSE 138. Canberra: AIHW. Viewed 30 July 2015. http://www.aihw.gov.au/publication-detail/?id=60129543979

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Elective surgery waiting list episode—clinical urgency Health](#), Superseded 12/06/2015
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

[Elective care waiting list episode—clinical urgency, code X\[AXAA\] Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 01/12/2016

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—clinical urgency, code N Health](#), Standard 05/02/2021

[Elective surgery waiting list episode—clinical urgency, code N Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2021