Activity based funding

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Glossary Item |
| Synonymous names: | ABF |
| METEOR identifier: | 651815 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018 |
| Definition: | A method of funding health services based on amount and type of activity. |
| Context: | Activity based funding in the context of health is a method of funding hospitals and health services whereby health services are funded for the provision of patient care based on the type and mix of patients they treat. A set amount is paid to the health service based on the relative cost of the group to which the patient is classified. |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Activity based funding has three essential elements:  Classification: Allocation of patients treated into groups which allow weightings to be applied. The groups should have resource use homogeneity (patients within a group should cost a similar amount to treat) and be clinically coherent (patients within a group should be clinically similar).  Activity data: Counting the patients treated.  Cost data: Determining the cost of treatment. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Reference documents: | Department of Health 2013. Department of Health, Canberra. Viewed 2 September 2016, <http://www.health.gov.au/casemix> |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Activity based funding](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/496325)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/10/2016  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 31/10/2012  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 20/12/2016  Has been superseded by [Activity based funding](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/678967)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 25/01/2018  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 29/03/2023 |
| Metadata items which use this glossary item: | [Activity based funding: Emergency service care NBEDS 2017-18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/638083)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018  [Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2017-18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/639992)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018  [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  [Non-admitted patient NBEDS 2017-18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/650086)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018 |