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# Urgency of telehealth service

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**Important note: This is an archived metadata standard from the AIHW Knowledgebase. For current metadata standards and related information please access METeOR, the AIHW's Metadata Online Registry at <http://meteor.aihw.gov.au>**

## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary:

Knowledgebase ID: 000471                      Version number: 0  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT  
Registration Authority: ANZTC                      Admin status: DRAFT  
   Effective date: 07-APR-00  
Definition: The urgency of the required telehealth service, in the opinion of the referring practitioner.  
Context: Telehealth.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype: Numeric  
Representational form: CODE  
Representation layout: N  
Minimum Size: 1  
Maximum Size: 1  
Data Domain: 1                      emergency  
   2                      urgent  
   3                      routine  
Guide For Use: "Emergency" covers cases where the service could not be delayed more than 24 hours from the time of referral.  
  
"Urgent" covers cases where the telehealth session was required within 7 days of referral.  
  
Other cases are coded as "routine".

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## *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document: Definition, but not Domain, based on National Health Data Committee, 1999, National Health Data Dictionary, Version 8.0 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, Canberra.  
Source Organisation: The Australian New Zealand Telehealth Committee

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Comments: In addition to this and the other Telehealth data elements identifiable as having ANZTC as "Source Organisation", the following additional data elements are also associated with Telehealth:

- Area of usual residence,
- Date of birth,
- Sex,
- Geographical location of establishment,
- Person identifier, and
- Indigenous status.

Further details regarding Telehealth data definition and collection activity can be obtained from the Australian New Zealand Telehealth Committee's web site at [www.telehealth.org.au](http://www.telehealth.org.au)

### [Data Element Links](#)

#### [\*Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element\*](#)

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#### [\*Data Agreements which include this Data Element\*](#)

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