

# Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Object Class
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	268961
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Standard 01/03/2005</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	The period of contact, with defined dates of commencement and cessation, between a client and a treatment provider or team of providers in which there is no change in the main treatment type or the principal drug of concern, and there has not been a non-planned absence of contact for greater than three months.
<b>Context:</b>	Alcohol and drug treatment services. This concept is required to provide the basis for a standard approach to recording and monitoring patterns of service utilisation by clients.
<b>Specialisation of:</b>	<a href="#">Service episode</a>

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>A treatment episode must have a defined date of commencement of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs and a date of cessation of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs.</p> <p>A treatment episode can have only one main treatment type for alcohol and other drugs and only one principal drug of concern. If the main treatment or principal drug changes then the treatment episode is closed and a new treatment episode is opened.</p> <p>A treatment episode may also be considered closed (ceased) if there is a change in the treatment delivery setting or the service delivery outlet. Where the change reflects a substantial alteration in the nature of the treatment episode, for instance where an agency operates in more than one treatment setting (or outlet) they may consider that a change from one setting (or outlet), to another necessitates closure of one episode and commencement of a new one.</p>
<b>Collection methods:</b>	Is taken as the period starting from the date of commencement of treatment and ending at the date of cessation of treatment episode.

## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs National Minimum Data Set - Working Group
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## Relational attributes

<b>Related metadata references:</b>	Supersedes  <a href="#">Treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs, version 2, DEC, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf</a> (15.1 KB) <i>No registration status</i>
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**Data Element Concepts  
implementing this Object  
Class:**

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—cessation reason](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—client type](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—drug of concern](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—drug of concern \(principal\)](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—main treatment type](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 12/12/2018

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—number of service contacts](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—other treatment type](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 12/12/2018

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—referral source](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—service delivery setting](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—treatment cessation date](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—treatment commencement date](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—treatment type](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—treatment type \(other\)](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2005