

Episode of admitted patient care—admission urgency status

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- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005
- [Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 05/09/2016

Definition: Whether the [admission](#) has an urgency status assigned and, if so, whether [admission](#) occurred on an emergency basis.

An emergency admission is an admission of a patient for care or treatment which, in the opinion of the treating clinician, is necessary and admission for which should occur within 24 hours.

An elective admission is an admission of a patient for care or treatment which, in the opinion of the treating clinician, is necessary and admission for which can be delayed for at least 24 hours.

Admissions for which an urgency status is usually not assigned are:

- admissions for normal delivery (obstetric)
- admissions which begin with the birth of the patient, or when it was intended that the birth occur in the hospital, commence shortly after the birth of the patient
- statistical admissions
- planned readmissions for the patient to receive limited care or treatment for a current condition, for example dialysis or chemotherapy.

Context: Admitted patient care.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: [Episode of admitted patient care](#)

Definition: The period of admitted patient care between a formal or statistical [admission](#) and a formal or statistical [separation](#), characterised by only one care type.

Context: Admitted patient care.

Specialisation of: [Service episode](#)

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This treatment and/or care provided to a patient during an episode of care can occur in hospital and/or in the person's home (for [hospital-in-the-home](#) patients).

Source and reference attributes

Origin: Health Data Standards Committee.

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: [Admission urgency status](#)

Definition: An indicator of the urgency status assigned to an [admission](#).
Property group: [Service/care urgency](#)

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element concept attributes

Relational attributes

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

[Episode of admitted patient care—admission urgency status, code N](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 25/01/2018

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- [Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Recorded 16/07/2015
- [Health](#), Superseded 25/01/2018

[Episode of admitted patient care—admission urgency status, Tasmanian code X\[XX\]](#)

- [Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 05/09/2016