

# Episode of admitted patient care—intended length of hospital stay

**Metadata item type:** Data Element Concept

**METEOR identifier:** 269574

**Registration status:**

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

**Definition:** The intention of the responsible clinician at the time of the patient's [admission](#) to hospital or at the time the patient is placed on an elective surgery waiting list, to discharge the patient either on the day of admission or a subsequent date.

**Context:** Admitted patient care:

To assist in the identification and casemix analysis of planned [same-day patients](#), that is those patients who are admitted with the intention of discharge on the same day. This is also a key indicator for quality assurance activities.

## 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:** [Intended length of hospital stay](#)

**Definition:** The expected duration of a stay in hospital.

**Property group:** [Service provision event](#)

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Data element concept attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Comments:** Information comparing the intended length of the episode of care and the actual length of the episode of care is considered useful for quality assurance and utilisation review purposes.

## Relational attributes

**Data Elements  
implementing this Data  
Element Concept:**

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- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Recorded 16/07/2015
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005

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