

Referral—referral receipt date, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Referral date
METEOR identifier:	270005
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Services (retired), Standard 01/03/2005• Health, Recorded 13/05/2008• Tasmanian Health, Standard 23/11/2016

Definition: The date on which an agency receives a client referral from another party.

Data element concept attributes

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Data element concept:	Referral—referral receipt date
METEOR identifier:	269445
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Services (retired), Standard 01/03/2005• Health, Recorded 13/05/2008• Tasmanian Health, Standard 23/11/2016

Definition: The date on which an agency receives a client referral from another party.

Context: Many providers collect the date of referral because it has administrative importance. It can be used in the calculation of response times and for performance indicators that measure the provision of service. Can also be used to measure work-load (i.e. the number of referrals coming to a particular agency). This may be measured for particular clients or particular types of services.

Object class: [Referral](#)

Property: [Referral receipt date](#)

Value domain attributes

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Value domain:	Date DDMMYYYY
METEOR identifier:	270566

- Registration status:**
- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 19/07/2018
 - [Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board](#), Recorded 18/10/2022
 - [Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016
 - [Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Standard 14/10/2015
 - [Commonwealth Department of Social Services \(retired\)](#), Not progressed 15/04/2019
 - [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 01/03/2005
 - [Disability](#), Standard 07/10/2014
 - [Early Childhood](#), Standard 21/05/2010
 - [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005
 - [Homelessness](#), Standard 23/08/2010
 - [Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/03/2005
 - [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 31/10/2012
 - [Indigenous](#), Standard 11/08/2014
 - [National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016
 - [Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 31/08/2016
 - [WA Health](#), Standard 06/03/2014
 - [Youth Justice](#), Standard 15/02/2022

Definition: The day of a particular month and year.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Date
Data type: Date/Time
Format: DDMMYYYY
Maximum character length: 8

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item should always be recorded as an 8 digit valid date comprising day, month and year. Year should always be recorded in its full 4 digit format. For days and months with a numeric value of less than 10, zeros should be used to ensure that the date contains the required 8 digits. For example if an agency receives a client referral on July 1 2000 the Referral—referral receipt date, DDMMYYYY should be recorded as 01072000 as specified in the representational layout.

Collection methods: Can be collected at initial referral of a client to an agency or at each referral, although this should be done consistently within a collection. Individual collections will also need to determine what constitutes a referral for their purposes (e.g. Is it only formal referrals that are considered, or are self-referral counted as a referral also etc).

Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee
National Health Data Dictionary

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes  [Referral date, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.8 KB) *No registration status*

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Community-based palliative care client DSS Health](#), Recorded 13/05/2008

DSS specific information:

For the purposes of this DSS, self-referrals and referrals from family members and friends are considered to be referrals.

[Tasmanian Non-admitted Patient Data Set - 2016](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 08/05/2020

Implementation start date: 01/07/2016

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

[Tasmanian Non-admitted Patient Data Set - 2019](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 08/05/2020

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

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