

Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs— number of service contacts, total N[NN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Number of service contacts within a treatment episode for alcohol and other drug
METEOR identifier:	270117
Registration status:	Health , Standard 01/03/2005
Definition:	The total number of service contacts recorded between a client and the service provider within a treatment episode for the purpose of providing alcohol and other drug treatment.
Data Element Concept:	Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—number of service contacts
Value Domain:	Total service contacts N[NN]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[NN]
Maximum character length:	3
Unit of measure:	Service contact

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes


Guide for use:	<p>This metadata item is a count of service contacts related to treatment that are recorded on a client record. Any client contact that does not constitute part of a treatment should not be considered a service contact. Contact with the client for administrative purposes, such as arranging an appointment, should not be included.</p> <p>This item is not collected for residential clients.</p> <p>Where multiple service provider staff have contact with the client at the same time, on the same occasion of service, the contact is counted only once.</p> <p>When multiple service contacts are recorded on the same day, each independent contact should be counted separately.</p>
Collection methods:	To be collated at the close of a treatment episode.
Comments:	This metadata item provides a measure of the frequency of client contact and service utilisation within a treatment episode.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs National Minimum Data Set Working Group
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Relational attributes

**Related metadata
references:**

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