

Episode of admitted patient care—diagnosis onset type, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Diagnosis onset type
METEOR identifier:	270192
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 05/02/2008
Definition:	A qualifier for each coded diagnosis to indicate the onset and/or significance of the diagnosis to the episode of care, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Episode of admitted patient care—diagnosis onset type
Value Domain:	Diagnosis onset type code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Primary condition
	2	Post-admit condition
Supplementary values:	9	Unknown or uncertain

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 1 Primary condition
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a condition present on admission such as the presenting problem, a comorbidity, chronic disease or disease status. In the case of neonates, the condition(s) present at birth.a previously existing condition not diagnosed until the current episode of care in delivered obstetric cases, all conditions which arise from the beginning of labour to the end of second stage
	CODE 2 Post-admit condition
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a condition which arises during the current episode of care and would not have been present on admission
	CODE 9 Unknown or uncertain
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a condition where the documentation does not support assignment to 1 or 2

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Assign the relevant diagnosis type flag to all of the ICD-10-AM disease codes recorded in the hospital morbidity system. Specific guidelines for correct assignment of diagnosis flag type are in the ICD-10-AM Australian Coding Standards.

The following rules only apply to:

- diagnoses which meet the criteria in the Australian Coding Standards (ACS) 0001 Principal diagnosis and ACS 0002 Additional diagnoses or a specialty standard which requires the use of an additional code(s).
- hospital morbidity data.
- 'episode of care' refers to hospital or day procedure episodes of care.

Explanatory notes:

The flag on external cause, place of occurrence and activity codes should match that of the corresponding injury or disease code.

The flag on morphology codes should match that on the corresponding neoplasm code.

Conditions meeting the criteria of principal diagnosis may, in some cases, have a flag of 2.

Collection methods:

A diagnosis onset type should be recorded and coded upon completion of an episode of admitted patient care.

Comments:

Improved analysis of diagnostic information, especially in relation to patient safety and adverse event monitoring.


Source and reference attributes**Origin:**

National Centre for Classification in Health

Relational attributes**Related metadata references:**

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