Person—cardiovascular medication taken (current), code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Cardiovascular medication (current) |
| METEOR identifier: | 270237 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | Whether the individual is currently taking cardiovascular medication, as represented by a code. |

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| Data element concept attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Data element concept: | [Person—cardiovascular medication taken](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269895) |
| METEOR identifier: | 269895 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | Whether the individual is taking some of the following cardiovascular medications:   * Angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors * Angiotensin II [A2] antagonists * Beta blockers * Calcium antagonists |
| Context: | Public health, health care and clinical settings. |
| Object class: | [Person](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/268955) |
| Property: | [Cardiovascular medication taken](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269391) |

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| Value domain attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Value domain: | [Cardiovascular medication code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270788) |
| METEOR identifier: | 270788 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | A code set representing cardiovascular medication currently being used by a person. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors |
|  | 2 | Angiotensin II (A2) receptor blockers |
|  | 3 | Beta blockers |
|  | 4 | Calcium antagonists |
|  | 8 | None of the above |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1     Angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors  Use this code for ACE inhibitors (captopril, enalapril, fosinopril, lisinopril, perindopril, quinapril, ramipril and trandolapril).  CODE 2     Angiotensin II (A2) receptor blockers  Use this code for Angiotensin II receptor blockers (candesartan, eprosartan, irbesartan and telmisartan).  CODE 3     Beta blockers  Use this code for Beta blockers (atenolol, carvedilol, labetalol, metoprolol, oxprenolol, pindolol, propranolol and sotalol).  CODE 4     Calcium antagonists  Use this code for Calcium antagonists ( amlodipine, diltiazem, felodipine, lercanidipine, nifedipine and verapamil).  CODE 8     None of the above  This code is used when none of the listed medications is being taken by the person.  CODE 9     Not stated/inadequately described  This code should only be used in situations where it is not practicable to ask the questions. |
| Collection methods: | The person should be asked a series of questions about any current medication for a cardiovascular condition as follows:  Are you currently taking any medication for a cardiovascular condition?  \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No  If the person answers 'NO', then code 8 should be applied.  If the person answers 'YES', then ask which one(s) (from the list of drugs in the Guide for use).  Ace Inhibitors                           \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No  Angiotensin II receptor blockers   \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No  Beta blockers                            \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No  Calcium antagonists                   \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No  The appropriate code should be recorded for each type of medication currently in use. |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Collection methods: | A person may be taking one or more of the following medications for a cardiovascular condition. Therefore more than one code may be reported. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | National Diabetes Outcomes Quality Review Initiative (NDOQRIN) data dictionary. Australian Medicines Handbook: last modified by February 2001 Contents of Cardiovascular, Version 3, 1999 Therapeutic Guidelines Limited (05.04.2002)]. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Is re-engineered from  [Cardiovascular medication - Superseded 01/03/2005, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273840)  (18.1 KB)  *No registration status* |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Diabetes (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273054)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 21/09/2005  ***DSS specific information:***  A person may be taking one or more of the following medications for a cardiovascular condition. Therefore more than one code may be reported.  Example 1:  If a person takes one of the ACE inhibitors and a Beta blocker, the code recorded would be 13.  Example 2:  If a person takes one of the ACE inhibitors, an Angiotensin II receptor blocker and a Beta blocker, the code recorded would be 123.  [Diabetes (clinical) NBPDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/304865)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 21/09/2005  ***DSS specific information:***  A person may be taking one or more of the following medications for a cardiovascular condition. Therefore more than one code may be reported.  Example 1:  If a person takes one of the ACE inhibitors and a Beta blocker, the code recorded would be 13.  Example 2:  If a person takes one of the ACE inhibitors, an Angiotensin II receptor blocker and a Beta blocker, the code recorded would be 123. |