Patient—previous specialised treatment, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Previous specialised treatment |
| METEOR identifier: | 270374 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | Whether a patient has had a previous [**admission**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327206) or service contact for treatment in the specialty area within which treatment is now being provided, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Patient—previous specialised treatment](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269804) |
| Value Domain: | [Previous specialised treatment code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270877) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Patient has no previous admission(s) or service contact(s) for the specialised treatment now being provided |
|  | 2 | Patient has previous hospital admission(s) but no service contact(s) for the specialised treatment now being provided |
|  | 3 | Patient has previous service contact(s) but no hospital admission(s) for the specialised treatment now being provided |
|  | 4 | Patient has both previous hospital admission(s) and service contact(s) for the specialised treatment now being provided |
| Supplementary values: | 5 | Unknown/not stated |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1     Patient has no previous admission(s) or service contact(s) for the specialised treatment now being provided  Use this code for admitted patients, whose only prior specialised treatment contact was the service contact that referred the patient for admission.  CODES 2-4 These codes include patients who have been seen at any time in the past within the speciality within which the patient is currently being treated (mental health or palliative care), regardless of whether it was part of the current episode or a previous admission/service contact many years in the past. Use these codes regardless of whether the previous treatment was provided within the service in which the person is now being treated, or another equivalent specialised service (either institutional or community-based).  CODE 2     Patient has previous hospital admission(s) but no service contact(s) for the specialised treatment now being provided  CODE 3     Patient has previous service contact(s) but no hospital admission(s) for the specialised treatment now being provided  CODE 4     Patient has both previous hospital admission(s) and service contact(s) for the specialised treatment now being provided |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Comments: | This metadata item was originally developed in the context of mental health institutional care data development (originally metadata item Problem status and later First admission for psychiatric treatment). More recent data development work, particularly in the area of palliative care, led to the need for this item to be re-worded in more generic terms for inclusion in other data sets.  For palliative care, the value of this data element is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this data element in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | National Mental Health Information Strategy Committee |
| Origin: | National Health Data Committee |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Is re-engineered from  [Previous specialised treatment, version 3, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273377)  (16.7 KB)  *No registration status* |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Admitted patient care NMDS 2016-17](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/612171)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/10/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2017-18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/641349)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2018-19](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/676382)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 12/12/2018  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2019 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2019-20](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699728)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 18/12/2019  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2019 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2020 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2020–21](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/713850)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2021  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2020 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2021 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2021–22](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/728439)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 20/10/2021  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2021 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2022 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2022–23](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/742173)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 20/12/2022  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2022 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2023 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2023–24](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/756111)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/12/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2023 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2024 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2024–25](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775630)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 06/12/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2024 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2025 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only supplied for mental health care patients and palliative care patients.  ***DSS specific information:***  For palliative care patients, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/334031)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 23/10/2006  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2006 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2007  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273048)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2005  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2005 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2006  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2007-08](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/345110)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2008  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2007 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2008  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362305)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2009-10](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/374207)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/01/2010  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2010  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2010-11](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/386799)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 18/01/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2010 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2011  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2011-12](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/426872)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2012-13](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/471383)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/05/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2013  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2013-14](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/504646)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 15/10/2014  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2014  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2014-15](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/553164)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2015  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2014 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2015-16](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/590510)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 19/11/2015  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273046)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2005  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2005 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2006 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2006-07](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/334050)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 23/10/2006  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2006 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2007 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2007-08](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/339098)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2008  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2007 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2008 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/361960)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2009-10](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/374209)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/01/2010  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2010 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2010-11](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/386801)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 21/12/2010  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2010 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2011 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2011-12](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/426760)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/03/2012  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2012-13](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/471819)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/05/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2013 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2013-14](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/504641)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 15/10/2014  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2014 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2014-15](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/553212)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2015  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2014 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015 ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services.  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2015-16](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/590512)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 19/11/2015  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016  ***DSS specific information:*** For palliative care, the value of this item is in its use in enabling approximate identification of the number of new palliative care patients receiving specialised treatment. The use of this metadata item in this way would be improved by the reporting of this data by community-based services. |