Reason for removal from an elective surgery waiting list code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	270629
Registration status:	Health, Superseded 13/12/2011
	National Health Performance Authority (retired), Retired 01/07/2016
Definition:	A code set representing the reason why a patient is removed from an elective surgery waiting list.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	1	Admitted as an elective patient for awaited procedure in this hospital or another hospital
	2	Admitted as an emergency patient for awaited procedure in this hospital or another hospital
	3	Could not be contacted (includes patients who have died while waiting whether or not the cause of death was related to the condition requiring treatment)
	4	Treated elsewhere for awaited procedure, but not as a patient of this hospital's waiting list
	5	Surgery not required or declined
	6	Transferred to another hospital's waiting list
Supplementary values:	9	Not known

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 1   Admitted as an elective patient for awaited procedure in this hospital or another hospital

Patients undergoing the awaited procedure whilst admitted for another reason are to be coded this code.

CODE 2   Admitted as an emergency patient for awaited procedure in this hospital or another hospital

This code identifies patients who were admitted ahead of their normal position in the queue because the condition requiring treatment deteriorated whilst waiting. Admission as an emergency patient could also be due to other causes such as inappropriate urgency rating, delays in the system, or unpredicted biological variation.

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CODE 3   Could not be contacted (includes patients who have died while waiting whether or not the cause of death was related to the condition requiring treatment)

CODE 4   Treated elsewhere for awaited procedure, but not as a patient of this hospital's waiting list

CODE 5   Surgery not required or declined

These codes provide an indication of the amount of clerical audit of the waiting lists. Code 4 gives an indication of patients treated other than as a patient of the hospital's waiting list. The awaited procedure may have been performed as an emergency or as an elective procedure.

CODE 6   Transferred to another hospital's waiting list

This code identifies patients who were transferred from one hospital's elective surgery waiting list to that of another hospital. The waiting time on the waiting lists at the initial hospital and subsequent hospitals should be combined for national reporting.

CODE 9   Not known

This code identifies patients removed from the waiting list for reasons unknown.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Reason for removal from an elective surgery waiting list code N](#)
        [Health](#), Standard 13/12/2011
        [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

Data elements implementing this value domain: [Elective surgery waiting list episode—reason for removal from a waiting list, code N](#)
        [Health](#), Superseded 13/12/2011