
Sex

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD
Knowledgebase ID: 000149 Version number: 1
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT
Registration Authority: NHIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED
Effective date: 30-JUN-94
Definition: The sex of the patient.
Context: Required for analyses of service utilisation and epidemiological studies.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric
Representational form: CODE
Representation layout: N
Minimum Size: 1
Maximum Size: 1
Data Domain: 1 Male
 2 Female
 3 Unknown/indeterminate
Related metadata: has been superseded by Sex version 2
 is used in the derivation of Diagnosis related group version 1

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:
Source Organisation: National minimum data set working parties

Comments: This data item formed part of the National Committee on Health and Vital Statistics (1979) recommended level-one minimum data set and was also recommended by the Taskforce on National Hospital Statistics (1988). The Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council Health Targets and Implementation Committee (1988) recommended that it be included in all national health

