
Admission date

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD
Knowledgebase ID: 000008 Version number: 2
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT
Registration Authority: NHIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED
Effective date: 30-JUN-96
Definition: Date on which an in-patient or a same-day patient commences an episode of care by one of the following processes.

Formal admission is the administrative process by which a hospital records the commencement of treatment and/or care and accommodation of a patient.

Statistical admission (excluding nursing homes) is the administrative process by which a patient who has been statistically separated recommences treatment and/or care and accommodation, and occurs in the following circumstances:

- statistical admission following leave of absence exceeding seven consecutive days for in-patients of acute hospitals and private psychiatric hospitals, and ten consecutive days for in-patients of public psychiatric hospitals (or as specified in legislation); or

- statistical admission on type change or transfer between episodes of care (see data elements Type of episode of care and Discharge date) within the one hospital stay for acute hospitals and private psychiatric hospitals.

Context: Institutional health care: required to identify the period in which the admitted patient episode and hospital stay occurred and for derivation of length of stay.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric
Representational form: DATE
DDMMYYYY

Representation 8
layout: 8

Minimum Size:

Maximum Size:

Data Domain: NOVAL Valid dates

Related metadata: is used in the calculation of Length of stay version 1
relates to the data element concept Admission version 1
supersedes previous data element Admission date version 1
has been superseded by Admission date version 3
is used in the derivation of Diagnosis related group version 1

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National Health Data Committee

Comments: This item was modified by the National Minimum Data Set Review Committee to make a distinction between statistical separations from leave and those occurring due to type change. See the definition of Admission developed by the Patient Abstracting and Coding Project, Casemix Development Unit, Commonwealth Department of Health, Housing and Community Services.

For discussion of episodes of care, type change on admission and statistical admission, refer to data elements Type of episode of care, Discharge date, Total leave days, Number of leave periods and Number of leave periods exceeding ten days. It is important to note the decision of the Nursing Homes Working Party not to record leave periods at the patient level, hence the exclusion of nursing homes from recording statistical admissions (from leave or type change). Refer to comments on data elements Type of episode of care, Discharge date and Total leave days.

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM Request for / entry into service event

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

NMDS - Admitted patient care From 01-Jul-93 to 30-Jun-96
