Additional diagnoses

Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD

Knowledgebase ID: 000005   Version number: 1

Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT

Registration Authority: NHIMG   Admin status: SUPERSEDED

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Definition: Additional diagnoses include:
- complications which developed due to the condition(s) reported in principal diagnosis;
- any other conditions present in the patient which significantly affected the treatment of the patient or his or her length of stay in hospital.

Context: Additional diagnoses give information on factors which resulted in increased length of stay, more intensive treatment or the use of greater resources. They are required for casemix analyses relating to severity of illness and for correct classification of patients into Diagnosis Related Groups.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Alphanumeric

Representational form: CODE

Representation layout: ANN.NN

Minimum Size: 5

Maximum Size: 5

Data Domain: NOVAL   ICD-9-CM

Guide For Use: Up to four additional diagnoses may be coded for acute hospitals and private psychiatric hospitals, two additional diagnoses for public psychiatric hospital in-patients, and one or more for psychiatric non-in-patients.

Related metadata: supplements the data element Principal diagnosis version 1
supplements the data element Principal diagnosis - ICD-9-CM code version 2
has been superseded by Additional diagnoses version 2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: Additional diagnoses are more relevant for acute medical/surgical
patients, particularly in relation to Diagnosis Related Groups. They
are less important for psychiatric patients. For this reason the
Psychiatric Working Party recommended that only up to two
additional diagnoses were required for in-patients of public
psychiatric hospitals.

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM   Physical wellbeing

Data Agreements which include this Data Element