Separations

Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD

Knowledgebase ID: 000205   Version number: 2

Metadata type: DERIVED DATA ELEMENT

Registration Authority: NHIMG   Admin status: SUPERSEDED

Effective date: 01-MAR-05

Definition: The total number of separations occurring during the reference period. This includes both formal and statistical separations.

Context: Admitted patient care: needed as the basic count of the number of separations from care for an establishment.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric

Representational form: QUANTITATIVE VALUE

Representation layout: NNNNNN

Minimum Size: 1

Maximum Size: 6

Data Domain: NOVAL   A number, representing the number of completed episodes of care

Guide For Use: The sum of the number of separations where the Discharge date has a value:
>= the beginning of the reference period (typically a financial year); and
<= the end of the reference period.

This sum may be calculated at:
- individual establishment level; or
- system (ie. State/Territory) level ie. the sum of the number of establishments.

Collection Methods: Public hospital establishments - NMDS
The reference period for data collection is a financial year ie. 1 July to 30 June inclusive.

Related metadata: supersedes previous derived data element Separations version 1
is derived from Separation date version 5
relates to the data element concept Separation version 3

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National Health Data Committee

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM   Performance indicator

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

NMDS - Community mental health   From 01-Jul-98 to
establishments