Emergency department waiting time to admission

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD

Knowledgebase ID: 000397 Version number: 1

Metadata type: DERIVED DATA ELEMENT

Registration NHIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED

Authority: Effective date: 01-MAR-05

Definition: The time elapsed for each patient from presentation to the

emergency department to admission to hospital.

Context: Emergency care:

This is a critical waiting times data item. This item is used to examine the length of waiting time, for performance indicators and benchmarking. Information based on this data item will have many

uses including to assist in the planning and management of hospitals

and in health care research.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric

Representational OUANTITATIVE VALUE

form:

Representation HHMM

layout:

Minimum Size: 4 Maximum Size: 4

Data Domain: NOVAL Count in numbers of hours and minutes

Guide For Use: Calculated from admission date and time minus date and time

patient presents for those emergency department patients who

are admitted.

Collection Methods: To be collected on patients presenting to emergency department for

unplanned care in public hospitals with emergency department and private hospitals providing contracted services for the public

sector.

Related metadata: relates to the data element concept Patient presentation at

emergency department version 1
is calculated using Admission date version 4
is calculated using Admission time version 2
is calculated using Date patient presents version 2
is calculated using Time patient presents version 2
is calculated using Emergency department departure status version 2

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