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# Admitted patient

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NHDD  
Knowledgebase ID: 000011                      Version number: 1  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT CONCEPT  
Admin status: SUPERSEDED                      Effective date: 30-JUN-98  
Definition: An admitted patient is a patient who undergoes a hospital's formal admission process as either an over-night stay patient or a same-day patient.  
Context: Institutional health care

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype:  
Related metadata:    relates to the data element concept Admission version 1  
                          relates to the data element Type of episode of care version 2  
                          has been superseded by Admitted patient version 2

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## *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document:  
Source Organisation: National Health Data Committee

Comments: This definition includes all babies who are 9 days old or less. However, all babies are further divided into categories of qualified and unqualified for Medicare Agreement and health insurance benefit purposes. A qualified baby is 9 days old or less and meets at least one of the following criteria:

- is the second or subsequent live born infant of a multiple birth, whose mother is currently an admitted patient;
- is admitted to an intensive care facility in a hospital, being a facility approved by the Commonwealth Health Minister for the purpose of the provision of special care;
- remains in hospital without its mother;
- is admitted to the hospital without its mother.

Qualified babies are eligible for health insurance benefit purposes

