# Teaching status

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## Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD

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Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT

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Definition: An indicator (yes / no) to identify the non-direct patient care activity

of teaching for a particular establishment. This is where teaching (associated with a university) is a major program activity of the establishment. It is primarily intended to relate to teaching hospitals

affiliated with universities providing undergraduate medical education as advised by the relevant State health authority.

Context: Health services: the non-direct care activity of teaching can involve

the consumption of considerable resources. In comparisons of cost in relation to establishment output, it is important to be aware of

particular establishments which are devoting substantial resources to activities not relating to output as measured in terms of either inpatient bed days or outpatient occasions of service. Teaching can be

one of the variables in any regression analysis undertaken.

In this context, teaching relates to teaching hospitals affiliated with universities providing undergraduate medical education as advised

by the relevant State health authority.

## Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric

Representational CODE

form:

Representation N

layout:

Minimum Size: 1
Maximum Size: 1

Data Domain: 1 Yes

2 No

9 Unknown

Related metadata: relates to the data element Establishment type version 1

#### Administrative Attributes

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National Health Data Committee

Comments: The initial intention based on the Taskforce on National Hospital Statistics approach had been to have non-direct care activity indicators for all of the following non-direct patient care activities:

- teaching
- research
- group or community contacts
- public health activities
- mobile centre and/or part-time service.

However, the Resources Working Party decided to delete 2, 3, 4 and 5 and place the emphasis on teaching where teaching (associated with a university) was a major program activity of the hospital. The working party took the view that it was extremely difficult to identify research activities in health institutions because many staff consider that they do research as part of their usual duties. The research indicator was thus deleted and the teaching indicator was agreed to relate to teaching hospitals affiliated with universities providing undergraduate medical education, as advised by the relevant State health authority. If a teaching hospital is identified by a Yes/no indicator then it is not necessary to worry about research (based on the assumption that if you have teaching, you have research).

### Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM Organisation characteristic

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

NMDS - Public hospital establishments From 01-Jul-89 to