# Separation

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### Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD

Knowledgebase ID: 000148 Version number: 1

Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT CONCEPT

Admin status: SUPERSEDED Effective date: 30-JUN-99

Definition: The process by which an admitted patient completes an episode

of care. A separation may be formal or statistical.

Formal separation: The administrative process by which a hospital records the completion of treatment and/or care and accommodation of a patient (discharge, transfer, or death).

Statistical separation following leave: The administrative process by which a hospital records the completion of treatment and/or care and accommodation following leave of absence which exceeded seven consecutive days for admitted patients.

Statistical separation on type change: The administrative process by which a hospital records the completion of each episode of care occurring within a single hospital stay as one of the types of care defined in the data element 'Type of episode of care'.

Context:

Perinatal statistics: complications of the puerperal period may cause maternal morbidity, and occasionally death, and may be an important factor in prolonging the duration of hospitalisation after childbirth. Examples of such conditions include postpartum haemorrhage, retained placenta, puerperal infections, puerperal psychosis, essential hypertension, psychiatric disorders, diabetes mellitus, epilepsy, cardiac disease and chronic renal disease.

## Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype:

Related metadata: has been superseded by Separation version 2

#### Administrative Attributes

Source Document: International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related

health Problems - 10th Revision, Australian Modification (1998)

National Centre for Classification in Health, Sydney.

Source Organisation: National Health Data Committee

Comments: .

### Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM Exit / leave from service event

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

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