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# Type of visit

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**Important note: This is an archived metadata standard from the AIHW Knowledgebase. For current metadata standards and related information please access METeOR, the AIHW's Metadata Online Registry at <http://meteor.aihw.gov.au>**

## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NHDD  
Knowledgebase ID: 000352                      Version number: 1  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT  
Registration Authority: NHIMG                      Admin status: SUPERSEDED  
Effective date: 01-JUL-01  
Definition: The reason the patient presents to the Emergency Department.  
Context: Admitted patient care: Required for analysis of Emergency Department services.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype: Numeric  
Representational form: CODE  
Representation layout: N  
Minimum Size: 1  
Maximum Size: 1  
Data Domain: 1                      Emergency presentation: Attendance for an actual or suspected condition which is sufficiently serious as to require acute unscheduled care.  
2                      Return visit - planned: Presentation is planned and is a result of a previous Emergency Department presentation or return visit.  
3                      Pre-arranged admission: A patient who presents at the Emergency Department for either clerical, nursing or medical processes to be undertaken, and admission has been pre-arranged by the referring medical officer and a bed allocated.  
4                      Patient in transit: The Emergency Department is responsible for care and treatment of a patient awaiting transport to another institution  
5                      Dead on arrival: A patient who is dead on arrival at presentation to the Emergency Department  
Related metadata: relates to the data element Admission date version 3

relates to the data element Emergency department waiting time to service delivery version 1  
relates to the data element Emergency department waiting time to admission version 1  
relates to the data element concept Patient presentation at emergency department version 1  
relates to the data element Date patient presents version 1  
relates to the data element Time patient presents version 1  
relates to the data element Date of triage version 1  
relates to the data element Time of triage version 1  
relates to the data element Triage category version 1  
relates to the data element Date of service event version 1  
relates to the data element Time of service event version 1  
relates to the data element Admission time version 1  
has been superseded by Type of visit to emergency department version 2

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### *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National Institution Based Ambulatory Model Reference Group;  
NHDC

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Comments: This data element supports the provision of unit record and/or summary level data by State and Territory health authorities as part of the Emergency Department Waiting Times National Minimum Data Set.

### *Data Element Links*

#### *Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element*

NHIM Request for / entry into service event

#### *Data Agreements which include this Data Element*

NMDS - Emergency department waiting times From 01-Jul-99 to 30-Jun-01

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