

# Specialised mental health service organisation— recurrent expenditure (residual mental health)

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element Concept
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	290133
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 08/12/2004
<b>Definition:</b>	Expenditures by specialised mental health services that cannot be directly related to programs operated by a particular organisation or service unit (i.e. can only be indirectly related to a particular organisation or service unit).
<b>Context:</b>	Specialised mental health service:  To improve and substantiate financial reporting in relation to residual mental health care expenditure and assist in understanding differences in costs for similar specialised mental health service in different states or territories and regions, where these cost differences are due to differences in the extent to which support services and other services to residents/admitted patients and outpatients of an organisation or service unit may be provided by the organisation or service unit itself or by other bodies.

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Specialised mental health service organisation</a>
<b>Definition:</b>	A separately constituted specialised mental health service that is responsible for the clinical governance, administration and financial management of service units providing specialised mental health care.
<b>Context:</b>	Specialised mental health services.
<b>Specialisation of:</b>	<a href="#">Organisation</a>

### Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** A specialised mental health service organisation may consist of one or more service units based in different locations and providing services in admitted patient, residential and ambulatory settings. For example, a specialised mental health service organisation may consist of several hospitals or two or more community centres.

Where the specialised mental health service organisation consists of multiple service units, those units can be considered to be components of the same organisation where they:

- operate under a common clinical governance arrangement;
- aim to work together as interlocking services that provide integrated, coordinated care to consumers across all mental health service settings; and
- share clinical records or, in the case where there is more than one physical clinical record for each patient, staff may access (if required) the information contained in all of the physical records held by the organisation for that patient.

For most states and territories, the Specialised mental health service organisation object class is equivalent to the Area/District Mental Health Service. These are usually organised to provide the full range of admitted patient, residential and ambulatory services to a given catchment population. However, the object class may also be used to refer to health care organisations which provide only one type of mental health service (e.g. acute admitted patient care) or which serve a specialised or state-wide function.

## Source and reference attributes

**Origin:** Department of Health and Ageing 2003. Mental Health National Outcomes and Casemix Collection. Technical specification of State and Territory reporting requirements for the outcomes and casemix components of 'Agreed Data', Version 1.50. Canberra: Department of Health and Ageing

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

**Property:** [Recurrent expenditure](#)

**Definition:** Expenditure which does not result in the acquisition or enhancement of an asset.

**Property group:** [Financial characteristics](#)

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

**Reference documents:** Australian Bureau of Statistics: Government Finance Statistics 1998, Cat. No. 5514.0

## Data element concept attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** Excludes grants made directly to non-government organisations for provision of mental health services, other than residential services.