

Underlying cause of death

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Property

METEOR identifier: 296462

Registration status: [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023
[Health](#), Standard 01/10/2008

Definition: The disease or injury which initiated the train of events leading directly to death, or the circumstances of the accident or violence which produced the fatal injury. (WHO 2004)

Property group: [Death event](#)

Relational attributes

Data Element Concepts implementing this property: [Person—underlying cause of death](#)
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