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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Value Domain
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	319230
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Recorded 14/07/2006
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set which indicates a combination of six chronic comorbidity conditions.

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Text
<b>Data type:</b>	String
<b>Format:</b>	AAAAAA
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	6

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:**

For each of the following evaluated clinical states:

Code Y Comorbidity exists

Code N Comorbidity does not exist

Comorbidities must be recorded in the following order.

- Respiratory: Chronic restrictive, obstructive, or vascular respiratory disease resulting in severe exercise restriction i.e., unable to climb stairs or perform household duties; or documented chronic hypoxia, hypercapnia, secondary polycythemia, severe pulmonary hypertension (>40mmHg), or respiratory dependency.
- Cardiovascular: New York Heart Association Class IV i.e. angina or symptoms at rest or on minimal exertion e.g. getting dressed or self-care.
- Liver: Biopsy proven cirrhosis and documented portal hypertension: episodes of past upper GI bleeding attributed to portal hypertension; or prior episodes of hepatic failure/encephalopathy/coma.
- Renal: Receiving chronic dialysis.
- Immune suppressive disease: The patient has a disease that is sufficiently advanced to suppress resistance to infection. e.g., leukaemia, lymphoma, AIDS.
- Immunosuppressive therapy: The patient has received therapy that suppresses resistance to infection e.g. immunosuppression, chemotherapy, radiation, long term or recent high dose steroids.

Examples:

Respiratory	Cardio-vascular	Liver	Renal	Immuno-suppressive disease	Immuno-suppressive treatment
Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N

Code	Code represents
YNNNNN	Respiratory comorbidity exists. Cardiovascular, liver, renal, immune-suppressive disease and immunosuppressive therapy do not exist.
NYNYNN	Cardiovascular and renal comorbidities exist. Respiratory, liver, immune-suppressive disease and immunosuppressive therapy do not exist.

## Relational attributes

**Data elements implementing this value domain:**

[Person—chronic health evaluation indicator, comorbidity code AAAAAA](#)  
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