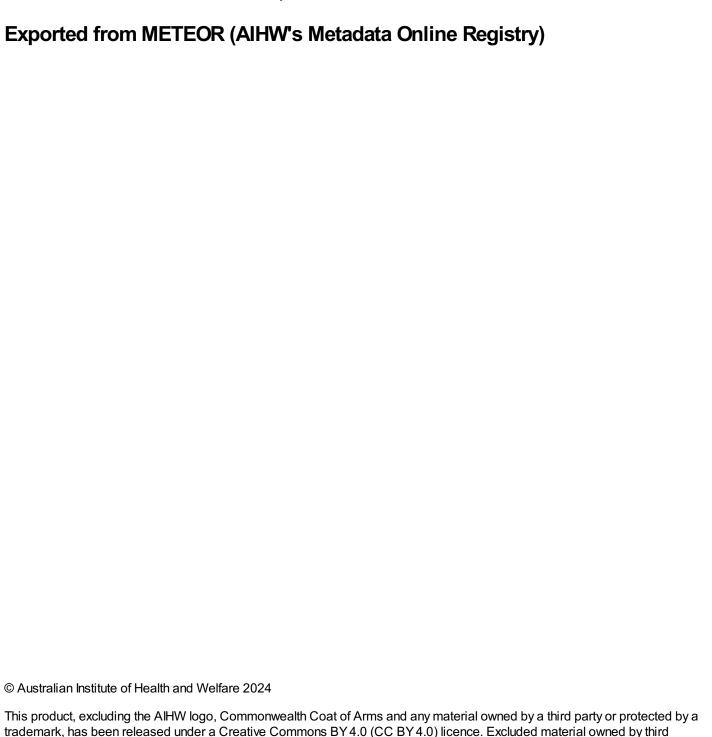
# Medical indemnity claim—medical indemnity claim commencement date, DDMMYYYY



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### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

**Short name:** Medical indemnity claim commencement date

METEOR identifier: 329623

Registration status: Health, Standard 07/12/2011

**Definition:** The date on which a medical indemnity claim commenced, as signalled by a trigger

such as the issue of a letter of demand, issue of writ, or an offer made by the

defendant to the claimant, expressed as DDMMYYYY.

Data Element Concept: Medical indemnity claim—medical indemnity claim commencement date

Value Domain: <u>Date DDMMYYYY</u>

#### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Date

Data type: Date/Time
Format: DDMMYYYY

Maximum character length: 8

#### Source and reference attributes

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

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The date recorded should be the date of the first trigger. For example, if a letter of

demand is received and subsequently a writ is issued, the date recorded for this

metadata item should be the date of the letter of demand.

The date the medical indemnity claim commenced must be a date that is the same as or after the date the health-care incident occurred. It may be a date before or

after the date the reserve was placed.

A trigger for the commencement of a medical indemnity claim is any event that distinguishes the claim from potential claims, which have had a reserve set but may be based on no more information than a health-care incident report. Common triggers are allegations of harm or other loss from the patient or another party related to the patient, and offers of compensation by the defendant before an

allegation of harm or other loss has been received.

This data element should be used in conjunction with the data element: Date—accuracy indicator, code AAA to flag whether each component in the claim

commencement date is accurate, estimated or unknown.

Comments: Date information will assist in the analysis of temporal patterns in the Medical

Indemnity National Collection.

A claim commencement trigger is not sufficient for a medical indemnity claim to be recognised. The critical event is the setting of a reserve which marks the health authority's recognition of the likelihood that costs will be incurred in finalising the claim. However, if a claim commencement trigger precedes when the reserve is set, than the claim will come into existence as a commenced, not a potential claim.

#### Source and reference attributes

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

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata See also <u>Date—accuracy indicator</u>, code AAA

references: Community Services (retired), Standard 30/09/2005

Disability, Standard 07/10/2014 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Data Set Medical indemnity DSS 2012-14

Health, Superseded 21/11/2013 **Specifications:** Implementation start date: 01/07/2012

Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

Conditional obligation: Conditional on the existence of a trigger for

commencement of the medical indemnity claim.

Medical indemnity NBPDS 2014-Health, Standard 21/11/2013

Implementation start date: 01/07/2014

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the existence of a trigger for commencement of the medical

indemnity claim.