

Principal field of medicine, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	375492
Registration status:	Health , Recorded 02/07/2009
Definition:	The code set representing the field of medicine in which the most hours were worked, in the week prior to registration.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	General practitioner (GP)
	2	Hospital non-specialist (salaried)
	3	Specialist
	4	Specialist-in-training
	5	Other clinician
	6	Non-clinician
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Code 1 General Practitioners are medical practitioners that have membership with the Royal Australian College of General Practice or who hold a training position supervised by a member of the college. It also includes those who are currently:

- Vocationally registered
- RACGP fellowship
- RACGP fellowship trainee
- A GP register

Code 2 Hospital non-specialist (salaried) is a medical practitioner mainly employed in a salaried position in a hospital who does not have a recognised specialist qualification and who is not in training to gain a recognised specialist qualification. They include interns, resident Medical Officers (RMOs), and Hospital Medical Officers (HMOs).

Code 3 Specialist is a medical practitioner with a qualification awarded by, or which equates to that awarded by, the relevant specialist professional college in Australia.

Code 4 Specialist-in-training is a medical practitioner who has been accepted by a specialist medical college into a training position supervised by a member of the college.

Code 5 Other clinicians include all medical practitioners that have undertaken clinical work in the week prior to registration but who do not fall into any of the above categories

Code 6 Non-clinicians includes all medical practitioners that have not undertaken clinical work in the week prior to registration

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Health Workforce Principal Committee