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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 375492 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), 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. |

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| 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  |

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| 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 |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Health Workforce Principal Committee |