Registered health professional—principal role, health profession code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Principal role - health profession
METEOR identifier:	375557
Registration status:	Health, Standard 10/12/2009
Definition:	The role in which the registered health professional spent the most time in the profession, in the week before registration, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Registered health professional—principal role
Value Domain:	Principal role in health profession code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	1	Clinician
	2	Administrator
	3	Teacher/educator
	4	Researcher
	5	Other
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 1 CLINICIAN
	A clinician is a person mainly involved in the area of clinical practice. That is the diagnosis, care and treatment, including recommended preventative action, to patients or clients. Clinical practice may involve direct client contact or may be practised indirectly through individual case material (as in radiology and laboratory medicine).
	CODE 2 ADMINISTRATOR
	An administrator in a health profession is a person whose main job is in an administrative capacity in the profession, such as directors of nursing, medical superintendents, medical advisers in government health authorities and health profession union administrators.
	CODE 3 TEACHER/EDUCATOR
	A teacher/educator in a health profession is a person whose main job is employment by tertiary institutions or health institutions to provide education and training in the profession.
	CODE 4 RESEARCHER
	A researcher in a health profession is a person whose main job is to conduct research in the field of the profession, especially in the area of clinical activity. Researchers are employed by tertiary institutions, medical research bodies, health institutions, health authorities, drug companies and other bodies.
	CODE 5 OTHER
	Other roles include Public health/health promotion, Occupational health, Environmental health, and all other roles not covered by codes 1-4 above.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	This data element is applicable to health professionals who were employed in the registered profession in Australia.
	The health professional may be employed or self-employed in the profession.
	Registered health professionals on leave at the time of registration are asked to report their usual principal role.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Supersedes Health professional—principal role, code N Health, Superseded 10/12/2009

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