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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Set Specification

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DSS type: National Minimum Data Set (NMDS)

Scope: The purpose of the Public dental waiting times national minimum data set (PDWT NMDS) is to describe the information that must be collected to calculate the waiting times for two time periods in the treatment pathway for public dental services in Australia:

- The time between the date a person is placed on a waiting list and the date they are offered dental care; and
- The time between the date a person is placed on a waiting list and the date they receive dental care.

In this data collection, person includesall persons eligible for their state or territory public dental scheme, who were aged 18 years or over when they were placed on a general or prosthetic public dentistry waiting list for the purpose of receiving treatment.

The data collection includes:

- all people specified above with a *listing date for dental care* within the collection period
- all people specified above with a *date of offer of dental care* within the collection period
- all people specified above with a *date of first dental visit* within the collection period.

The data collection excludes:

- people who access their local public clinic but pay full price and are not eligible for their state or territory's public dental service
- people who are treated under jurisdictional priority client schemes.

In this data collection, treatment means any event consisting of the provision of dental care resulting from a person being placed on a public dental waiting list and funded under a public dental scheme of their state or territory. Only treatments received after a person is placed on a public dental waiting list should be recorded.

Excluded treatments are:

- treatment paid for in full by the person receiving the treatment
- treatment provided by practitioners funded from outside of the public dental health sector, e.g. treatment provided by General Medical Practitioners (GPs)
- treatments which do not result in removal from a waiting list, such as:
    - relief of pain that does not satisfy other dental treatment needs
    - emergency treatment that does not satisfy other dental treatment needs
    - where a person is on a general care or denture care waiting list, consultations to determine future care that do not result in the removal from the list

A public dental waiting list episode ends:

- at the *date of offer of dental care*, if this is the last recorded date; or
- at the *date of first dental visit.*

All dental services funded by the state or territory government should be included unless otherwise noted.

Collection and usage attributes

Statistical unit: A public dental waiting list episode.

Collection methods: This is an administrative collection and information is derived from client records.

The collection period is the twelve month financial year, i.e. the twelve months ending 30 June.

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

National Oral Health Plan Monitoring Group

Steward: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: National Advisory Committee on Oral Health 2004. Healthy mouths healthy lives: Australia's national oral health plan 2004-2013. Viewed 31 January 2012, http://www.adelaide.edu.au/oral-health-promotion/resources/public/pdf_files/oralhealthplan.pdf

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Public dental waiting times DSS 2012-13
Health, Superseded 09/11/2012

Has been superseded by Public dental waiting times NMDS 2018-2022
Health, Superseded 08/02/2023

See also Public Dental Waiting Times Database, 2013-14 to 2016-17; Quality Statement
AIHW Data Quality Statements, Superseded 09/03/2021

See also Statistical Area Level 1 of usual residence National Best Endeavours Data Set 2016-17
Health, Superseded 28/02/2017

See also Statistical Area Level 1 of usual residence National Best Endeavours Data Set 2017-18
Health, Superseded 25/01/2018

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
1	Person—date of birth, DDMMYYYY	Mandatory	1
2	Person—sex, code N	Mandatory	1
3	Address—Australian postcode, Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} ***DSS specific information:*** In the PDWT DSS, this data element refers to the postcode of a person's usual residence ('usual' means 4 or more days per week on average).	Mandatory	1
4	Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS 2016) N(9) ***DSS specific information:*** In the Public dental waiting times NMDS, the Classification scheme for this data element did not come into effect until the 2016-17 collection year. Prior to this the Australian Statistical Geography Standard 2011 was used.	Mandatory	1
5	Person—Australian state/territory identifier, code N	Mandatory	1
6	Person—country of birth, code (SACC 2016) NNNN ***DSS specific information:*** In the Public dental waiting times NMDS, the Classification scheme for this data element did not come into effect until the 2016-17 collection year. Prior to this the Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2011 was used.	Mandatory	1
7	Person—Indigenous status, code N	Mandatory	1
8	Person—preferred language, code (ASCL 2011) NN{NN}	Mandatory	1
9	Public dental waiting list episode—listing date for care, DDMMYYYY	Mandatory	1
10	Public dental waiting list episode—waiting list type, code N	Mandatory	1
11	Public dental waiting list episode—date of offer of dental care, DDMMYYYY ***Conditional obligation:*** This data item is recorded if an offer of care has been made.	Conditional	1
12	Public dental waiting list episode—date of first visit, DDMMYYYY ***Conditional obligation:*** This data item is recorded if the person has made a visit to a dental professional as a result of being placed on a public dental waiting list, regardless of setting.	Conditional	1