Patient—primary health follow-up interval, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Primary health follow-up interval (code) |
| METEOR identifier: | 508244 |
| Registration status: | [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/09/2014 |
| Definition: | A recommended period of time until a patient's next consultation or action follow-up with a primary health professional, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Patient—primary health follow-up interval](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/508221) |
| Value Domain: | [Follow-up interval code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/508278) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | 3 months |
|  | 2 | 6 months |
|  | 3 | 1 year |
|  | 4 | As needed (PRN) |
| Supplementary values: | 8 | Unknown |
|  | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | PRN is an abbreviation for pro re nata which is a Latin phrase meaning “as needed”. The amount of time until a follow-up consultation or action is determined by the patient’s needs. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Patient—primary health course of action prior to review, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/508224)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/09/2014  See also [Patient—primary health follow-up indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/535027)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/09/2014 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Follow-up required cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/534103)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/09/2014  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/04/2012  ***Conditional obligation:*** Conditional on a 'yes' response to Patient - primary health follow-up indicator data element. |