Registered health professional—Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency registration number, AAAN(10)

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | AHPRA registration number |
| METEOR identifier: | 512058 |
| Registration status: | [WA Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/2), Standard 04/03/2014 |
| Definition: | A unique sequence of characters assigned to a health practitioner to indicate registration to practice in Australia. This number is assigned by the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA)](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/). The process is legislated in WA by the [*Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (WA) Act 2010*](http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/legislation/statutes.nsf/main_mrtitle_12106_currencies.html). |
| Data Element Concept: | [Registered health professional—Health practitioner registration number](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/511974)  |
| Value Domain: | [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency registration number AAAN(10)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/512050) |

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| Value domain attributes |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Identifier |
| Data type: | String |
| Format: | AAAN(10) |
| Maximum character length: | 13 |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | The leading alpha characters of this identifier indicate the health profession of the practitioner. For example, MED indicates medical practitioner while NMW indicates a Nurse or Midwife. One individual may have more than one AHPRA number i.e. a person who is currently registered with AHPRA as both a Nurse and a Midwife will have two NMW identifiers for each of their professions. |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Relational attributes |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [WA Abortion Notification System](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/510999)       [WA Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/2), Standard 04/03/2014***Implementation start date:*** 01/01/2002***Implementation end date:*** 31/07/2014***DSS specific information:*** **WA ANS name:** Medical Practitioner.This element must have leading characters of "MED" in the WA ANS.For the WA ANS, Medical Practitioners provide their First Name and Family Name when reporting an abortion using Form 1. Digitalisation of this information includes representation of this name by the practitioner's AHPRA number. |