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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| Synonymous names: | Care type |
| METEOR identifier: | 548216 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/03/2014 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the overall nature of care provided. |

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| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | Number |
| Format: | N |
| Maximum character length: | 1 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Rehabilitation care |
|   | 2 | Palliative care |
|   | 3 | Geriatric evaluation and management (GEM) |
|   | 4 | Psychogeriatric care |
|   | 5 | Mental health care |
|   | 8  | Other care  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1   Rehabilitation careRehabilitation care is care in which the primary clinical purpose or treatment goal is improvement in the functioning of a patient with an impairment, activity limitation or participation restriction due to a health condition. The patient will be capable of actively participating.Rehabilitation care is always:* delivered under the management of or informed by a clinician with specialised expertise in rehabilitation; and
* evidenced by an individualised multidisciplinary management plan, which is documented in the patient's medical record, that includes negotiated goals within specified time frames and formal assessment of functional ability.

CODE 2   Palliative carePalliative care is care in which the primary clinical purpose or treatment goal is optimisation of the quality of life of a patient with an active and advanced life-limiting illness. The patient will have complex physical, psychosocial and/or spiritual needs.Palliative care is always:* delivered under the management of or informed by a clinician with specialised expertise in palliative care; and
* evidenced by an individualised multidisciplinary assessment and management plan, which is documented in the patient's medical record, that covers the physical, psychological, emotional, social and spiritual needs of the patient and negotiated goals.

CODE 3   Geriatric evaluation and management (GEM)Geriatric evaluation and management is care in which the primary clinical purpose or treatment goal is improvement in the functioning of a patient with multi-dimensional needs associated with medical conditions related to ageing, such as tendency to fall, incontinence, reduced mobility and cognitive impairment. The patient may also have complex psychosocial problems.Geriatric evaluation and management is always:* delivered under the management of or informed by a clinician with specialised expertise in geriatric evaluation and management; and
* evidenced by an individualised multidisciplinary management plan, which is documented in the patient's medical record that covers the physical, psychological, emotional and social needs of the patient and includes negotiated goals within indicative time frames and formal assessment of functional ability.

CODE 4   Psychogeriatric carePsychogeriatric care is care in which the primary clinical purpose or treatment goal is improvement in the functional status, behaviour and/or quality of life for an older patient with significant psychiatric or behavioural disturbance, caused by mental illness, an age-related organic brain impairment or a physical condition.Psychogeriatric care is always:* delivered under the management of or informed by a clinician with specialised expertise in psychogeriatric care; and
* evidenced by an individualised multidisciplinary management plan, which is documented in the patient's medical record, that covers the physical, psychological, emotional and social needs of the patient and includes negotiated goals within indicative time frames and formal assessment of functional ability.

Psychogeriatric care is not applicable if the primary focus of care is acute symptom control. CODE 5   Mental health careMental health care is care in which the primary clinical purpose or treatment goal is improvement in the symptoms and/or psychosocial, environmental and physical functioning related to a patient's mental disorder.Mental health care is:* delivered under the management of, or regularly informed by, a clinician with specialised expertise in mental health;
* evidenced by an individualised formal mental health assessment and the implementation of a documented mental health plan; and
* may include significant psychosocial components, including family and carer support.

CODE 8   Other careAny care provided that does not fall within the categories above, e.g. maintenance care, and acute care. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |

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| Relational attributes  |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Subacute care type code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/512107)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/03/2014[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Qualified 01/02/2013 |
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