

# Specialised mental health service—seclusion duration

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- [Health](#), Standard 13/11/2014

**Definition:** The total amount of time [mental health consumers](#) spent in [seclusion](#) within the reference period for a specialised mental health service.

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

**Object class:** [Specialised mental health service](#)

**Definition:** Specialised mental health services are those with a primary function to provide treatment, rehabilitation or community health support targeted towards people with a mental disorder or psychiatric disability. These activities are delivered from a service or facility that is readily identifiable as both specialised and serving a mental health care function.

**Context:** Hospitals and community mental health establishments and residential mental health establishments.

**Specialisation of:** [Service/care event](#)

### Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** The concept of a specialised mental health service is not dependent on the inclusion of the service within the state or territory mental health budget.

A service is not defined as a specialised mental health service solely because its clients include people affected by a mental disorder or psychiatric disability.

The definition excludes specialist drug and alcohol services and services for people with intellectual disabilities, except where they are established to assist people affected by a mental disorder who also have drug and alcohol related disorders or intellectual disability.

These services can be a sub-unit of a hospital even where the hospital is not a specialised mental health establishment itself (e.g. designated psychiatric units and wards, outpatient clinics).

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

**Property:** [Seclusion duration](#)

**Definition:** The amount of time mental health consumers spent in seclusion within the reference period.

A mental health consumer is a person who uses or has used a mental health service.

Seclusion is the confinement of the consumer/patient at any time of the day or night alone in a room or area from which free exit is prevented.

**Property group:** [Service provision event](#)

## Source and reference attributes

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### Relational attributes

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