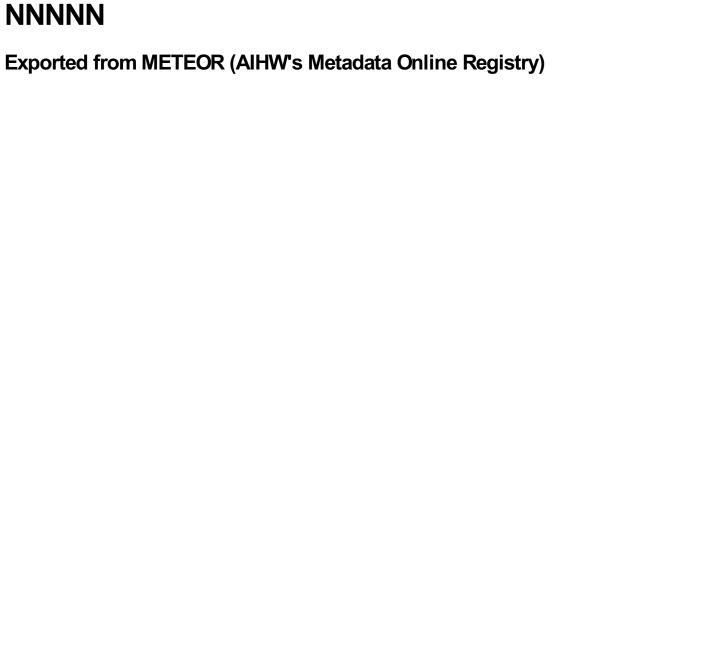
# Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay in emergency department short stay unit, total minutes NNNNN



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### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

**Short name:** Length of stay in emergency department short stay unit

METEOR identifier: 559966

Registration status: Health, Standard 04/09/2014

**Definition:** The length of time spent by the patient in an <u>emergency department short stay</u>

unit during an episode of admitted patient care, expressed as a number of

minutes.

Data Element Concept: Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay in emergency department short

stay unit

Value Domain: <u>Total minutes NNNNN</u>

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: NNNNN

Maximum character length: 5

Unit of measure: Minute (m)

### Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: To be reported for all patients admitted to emergency department short stay units in

public hospitals, including publicly funded privately operated hospitals with an

emergency department short stay unit.

**Collection methods:** For the purposes of calculating the length of stay, begin the calculation with the

physical arrival of the patient in the emergency department short stay unit. End the

calculation with the physical departure of the patient from the emergency

department short stay unit.

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** National Health Information Standards and Statistics Committee - Emergency Data

**Development Working Group** 

**Reference documents:** Standing Council on Federal Financial Relations. National Partnership Agreement

on Improving Public Hospital Services. Standing Council on Federal Financial

Relations, Canberra. Viewed 7 February 2014,

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