

Patient—election status, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Election status
METEOR identifier:	566135
Registration status:	Health , Standard 29/08/2014
Definition:	The treatment election status of the patient in a health service event, whether public or private, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Patient—election status
Value Domain:	Patient election status code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Public patient
	2	Private patient

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 1 Public patient
	A person, eligible for Medicare, who receives or elects to receive a public hospital service free of charge.
	Includes: patients in public psychiatric hospitals who do not have the choice to be treated as a private patient. Also includes overseas visitors who are covered by a reciprocal health care agreement, and who elect to be treated as public patients.
	CODE 2 Private patient
	A person who elects to be treated as a private patient and elects to be responsible for paying fees for the type referred to in clause 49 of the Australian Health Care Agreements (2003–2008).
	Clause 49 states that:
	Private patients, compensable patients and ineligible persons may be charged an amount for public hospital services as determined by (the state or territory).
	All patients in private hospitals (other than those receiving public hospital services and electing to be treated as a public patient) are private patients.
	Includes: all patients who are charged (regardless of the level of the charge) or for whom a charge is raised for a third party payer (for example, Department of Veterans' Affairs and Compensable patients). Also includes patients who are Medicare ineligible and receive public hospital services free of charge at the discretion of the hospital, and prisoners, who are Medicare ineligible while incarcerated.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The election status nominated by the patient at the time of treatment, to be treated as either:

- a public patient;
- or a private patient

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health](#), Superseded 16/01/2020

[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health](#), Standard 17/12/2021

**Implementation in
Indicators:**

Used as Disaggregation

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 03-Diagnostic assessment rate](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 03-Diagnostic assessment rate](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 04-Time between positive screen and diagnostic assessment](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 04-Time between positive screen and diagnostic assessment](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 05a-Adenoma detection rate](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 05a-Adenoma detection rate](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 05b-Positive predictive value of diagnostic assessment for detecting adenoma](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 05b-Positive predictive value of diagnostic assessment for detecting adenoma](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 06a-Colorectal cancer detection rate](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 06a-Colorectal cancer detection rate](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 06b-Positive predictive value of diagnostic assessment for detecting colorectal cancer](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 06b-Positive predictive value of diagnostic assessment for detecting colorectal cancer](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 09-Adverse events \(hospital admission rate\)](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 09-Adverse events \(hospital admission rate\)](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018