External auditory meatus condition code N[N]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 567719 |
| Registration status: | [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/12/2017 |
| Definition: | A code set representing conditions of the ear canal. |

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| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | Number |
| Format: | N[N] |
| Maximum character length: | 2 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Clear |
|   | 2 | Wax/debris |
|   | 3 | Discharge |
|   | 4 | Foreign body |
|   | 5 | Otitis externa |
|   | 88 | Other |
| Supplementary values: | 98 | Unknown |
|   | 99  | Not stated/inadequately described  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1   ClearNo abnormal diagnosis.CODE 2   Wax/debrisEar wax or debris located in the ear.CODE 3   DischargeEar discharge is any fluid that comes from the ear.CODE 4   Foreign bodyUnexpected object in the ear canal.CODE 5   Otitis externaInflammation of the ear canal, which may be caused by infection, allergy or other causes.CODE 88   OtherA condition other than those separately identified.CODE 98   UnknownThis code is used when the data is invalid.CODE 99   Not stated/inadequately describedThis code is used when the data is missing. |
| Comments: | The external auditory meatus is also known as the external auditory canal. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of HealthAustralian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Relational attributes  |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Patient—external auditory meatus condition, code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/567772)       [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/12/2017 |