Patient—type of fluid in middle ear, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Type of fluid in middle ear |
| METEOR identifier: | 568486 |
| Registration status: | [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/12/2017 |
| Definition: | The type of fluid in a patient's middle ear, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Patient—type of fluid in middle ear](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568476) |
| Value Domain: | [Type of fluid in middle ear code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568471) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Serous |
|  | 2 | Mucoid |
| Supplementary values: | 8 | Unknown |
|  | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1   Serous  The discharge appears to consist mostly of clear, watery fluid.  CODE 2   Mucoid  The discharge consists of a mucus like substance.  CODE 8   Unknown  This code is used when the data is invalid.  CODE 9   Not stated/inadequately described  This code is used when the data is missing. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of Health   Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Reference documents: | Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (SFNT) Children's Health Checks(CHC) |

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| Data element attributes | |
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| Submitting organisation: | Department of Health   Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Patient—fluid in middle ear indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568448)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/12/2017  See also [Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/572716)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/12/2017 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Myringotomy cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568006)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/12/2017  ***Conditional obligation:***  Conditional on a 'yes' response to [Patient—fluid in middle ear indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568448). |