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   SerousThe discharge appears to consist mostly of clear, watery fluid.CODE 2   MucoidThe discharge consists of a mucus like substance.CODE 8   UnknownThis code is used when the data is invalid.CODE 9   Not stated/inadequately describedThis 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  |
| Source and reference attributes |
| 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 05/12/2017See 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). |