Episode of care—mental health care phase, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Mental health care phase |
| METEOR identifier: | 575244 |
| Registration status: | [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 15/10/2014 |
| Definition: | The primary goal of treatment within the episode of care in terms of the recognised phases of mental health care, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Episode of care—mental health care phase](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/575242) |
| Value Domain: | [Mental health care phase code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/575238) |

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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 | Acute |
|  | 2 | Functional gain |
|  | 3 | Intensive extended |
|  | 4 | Consolidating gain |
|  | 5 | Initial assessment |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not reported |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The primary goal of care that is reflected in the patient's mental health treatment plan.  It reflects a prospective assessment of the primary goal of care at the time of collection, rather than a retrospective assessment.  CODE 1   Acute  The primary goal of care is the short term reduction in severity of symptoms and/or personal distress associated with the recent onset or exacerbation of a psychiatric disorder.  CODE 2   Functional gain  The primary goal of care is to improve personal, social or occupational functioning or promote psychosocial adaptation in a patient with impairment arising from a psychiatric disorder.  CODE 3   Intensive extended  The primary goal of care is prevention or minimisation of further deterioration, and reduction of risk of harm in a patient who has a stable pattern of severe symptoms, frequent relapses or severe inability to function independently and is judged to require care over an indefinite period.  CODE 4   Consolidating gain  The primary goal of care is to maintain the level of functioning, or improving functioning during a period of recovery, minimise deterioration or prevent relapse where the patient has stabilised and functions relatively independently. Consolidating gain may also be known as maintenance.  CODE 5   Initial assessment  The primary goal of care is to obtain information, including collateral information where possible, in order to determine the intervention/treatment needs and to arrange for this to occur (includes brief history, risk assessment, referral to treating team or other service). |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |

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| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Episode of care—mental health care phase, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/621495)  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 16/03/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Admitted patient mental health care cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/575027)  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 15/10/2014  [Ambulatory patient mental health care cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/575033)  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 15/10/2014  [Residential patient mental health care cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/575036)  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 15/10/2014 |