

KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 03J – National Service Standards compliance, 2015

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Indicator

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Short name: MHS PI 03J: National Service Standards compliance, 2015

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Registration status:

- [Health](#), Standard 19/11/2015

Description: Proportion of the state/territory public specialised mental health services (weighted by expenditure) that have been reviewed against the National Standards for Mental Health Services. This indicator grades services into four categories:

- Level 1: Services have been reviewed by an external accreditation agency and judged to have met all national standards
- Level 2: Services have been reviewed by an external accreditation agency and judged to have met some but not all National Standards
- Level 3: Services are: (i) in the process of being reviewed by an external accreditation agency but the outcomes are not known; or (ii) booked for review by an external accreditation agency
- Level 4: Mental health services that do not meet criteria detailed under Levels 1 to 3. (i) Services engaged in self-assessment in relation to the National Standards but did not have a contractual arrangement with an external accreditation agency for review; (ii) Services had not commenced the preparations for review by an external accreditation agency but this was intended to be undertaken in the future; and (iii) It had not been resolved whether the service unit would undertake review by an external accreditation agency under the National standards.

Note: This specification has been adapted from the indicator [MHS PI03: National Service Standards compliance, 2015](#) (Service level version) using terminology consistent with the National Health Data Dictionary. There are no technical difference in the calculation methodologies between the Service level version and the Jurisdictional level version of this indicator.

Rationale: The National Standards for Mental Health Services provide an agreed national framework for service quality and consistency. All Australian mental health services are required to be accredited against the National Standards.

Implementation of the National Standards for Mental Health Services has been agreed by all jurisdictions.

Indicator set: [Key Performance Indicators for Australian Public Mental Health Services \(Jurisdictional level version\) \(2015\)](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 11/05/2016

Collection and usage attributes

Computation description: Coverage/Scope:

State/territory specialised public mental health services, in-scope for reporting defined by the Mental Health Establishments National Minimum Data Set, with the following exceptions:

- aged care residential services subject to Australian Government residential aged care reporting and service standards requirements;
- private hospital service units in receipt of government funding where the National Standards for Mental Health Services do not apply;
- non-government operated residential mental health care services.

Methodology:

- Reference period for 2015 performance reporting: 2012–13
- Recurrent costs include costs directly attributable to specialised mental health services plus a proportional share of overhead costs (indirect expenditure). Cost data for this indicator are based on gross recurrent expenditure as compiled by State/Territory data providers according to the specifications of the Mental Health Establishments National Minimum Data Set. As such, it is subject to the concepts, definitions and costing methodology developed for the NMDS.
- Expenditure on service units reaching each of the four levels are to be summed when calculating each numerator.

Computation: (Numerator ÷ Denominator) x 100

Calculated separately for each level

Numerator: Total expenditure on specialised public mental health services that meet the definition of level X where X is the level at which the indicator is being measured (either Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 or Level 4).

Numerator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Specialised mental health service unit total apportioned expenditure

NMDS/DSS

(derived from) [Mental Health Establishments NMDS](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Specialised mental health service unit—implementation of National standards for mental health services status, code N](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2013-14](#)

Guide for use

Mapping of levels to National Minimum Data Set Mental Health Establishments (MHE) codes as follows:

Level 1: MHE code 1;

Level 2: MHE codes 2;

Level 3: MHE codes 3-4;

Level 4: MHE codes 5-7.

Expenditure for services that meet MHE Code 8 should be excluded from the calculation of this indicator (both numerator and denominator).

Denominator: Total expenditure on specialised public mental health services.

Denominator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Specialised mental health service unit total apportioned expenditure

NMDS/DSS

(derived from) [Mental Health Establishments NMDS](#)

Representational attributes

Representation class: Percentage

Data type: Monetary amount

Unit of measure: Currency

Indicator conceptual framework

Framework and dimensions: [Appropriate](#)

[Capable](#)

Accountability attributes

Benchmark: State/territory level

Further data development / collection required: This indicator can be accurately constructed using the Mental Health Establishments NMDS. This is based on the method used to track services developed for the previous National Standards for Mental Health Services (1996). This method will be used until a new approach is developed and implemented in national data collections.

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Key Performance Indicators for Australian Public Mental Health Services, Third edition (2014)