

# Patient—side of ear, left/right code A

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Side of ear
METEOR identifier:	586306
Registration status:	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017
Definition:	Whether an ear is on the left or right side of a patient's head, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	<a href="#">Patient—side of ear</a>
Value Domain:	<a href="#">Left/right code A</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	String	
<b>Format:</b>	A	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	L	Left
	R	Right

## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Record the appropriate code at the time of examination.
Collection methods:	This information should be obtained from the patient's Closing the Gap, ENT operation summary form.

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## Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	See also <a href="#">Patient—myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017
	See also <a href="#">Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017
	See also <a href="#">Patient—revision myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017

**DSS specific information:**

The side of the ear is to be recorded when 'yes' is recorded for the following data elements:

- [Patient—myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—revision myringoplasty indicator, yes/no/not applicable/unknown/not stated/inadequately described code N](#)
- [Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—exploration under anaesthesia indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—exploration of middle ear \(ME\) indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—remove tubes indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—other surgical procedure performed indicator, yes/no code N.](#)

[Pre-operative examination of ear cluster](#)  
[Indigenous](#), Standard 05/12/2017