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: | [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), 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: | [Patient—side of ear](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/586286) |
| Value Domain: | [Left/right code A](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/681936) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | A | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | L | Left |
|  | R | Right |

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| 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. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Patient—myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/572383)  [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  See also [Patient—revision myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568031)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/12/2017 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Ear and nose surgery cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/567979)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/572383) * [Patient—revision myringoplasty indicator, yes/no/not applicable/unknown/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568031) * [Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/572716) * [Patient—exploration under anaesthesia indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568551) * [Patient—exploration of middle ear (ME) indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568562) * [Patient—remove tubes indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568574) * [Patient—other surgical procedure performed indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/568590).   [Pre-operative examination of ear cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/567654)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 05/12/2017 |