

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

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Side of ear
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	586306
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017
<b>Definition:</b>	Whether an ear is on the left or right side of a patient's head, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Patient—side of ear</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<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>Permissible values:</b>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>L</td><td>Left</td></tr><tr><td>R</td><td>Right</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	L	Left	R	Right
Value	Meaning						
L	Left						
R	Right						

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

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

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## Relational attributes

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

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Ear and nose surgery cluster](#)  
[Indigenous](#), 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