

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription —specialty of prescriber, group code NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Specialty group of prescriber
METEOR identifier:	600681
Registration status:	Commonwealth Department of Health , Retired 19/10/2023
Definition:	The broad field of specialty of the authorised health professional responsible for the writing and signing of a prescription for a medicinal product included in the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS), as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—specialty of prescriber
METEOR identifier:	600679
Registration status:	Commonwealth Department of Health , Retired 19/10/2023
Definition:	The field of specialty of the authorised health professional responsible for the writing and signing of a prescription for a medicinal product included in the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).
Object class:	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription
Property:	Specialty of prescriber

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Department of Health
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Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Health professional specialty group code NN
METEOR identifier:	601978
Registration status:	Commonwealth Department of Health , Retired 19/10/2023
Definition:	A code set representing broad categories of medical specialty.
Context:	The categories and codes presented here are commonly used in the context of the Medical Benefits Schedule (MBS) and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	String	
Format:	NN	
Maximum character length:	2	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	01	General practitioner (GP)

02	Specialist
03	Allied health professional
04	Dental practitioner

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: More detailed versions of this value domain, including codes at the major field of specialty level and the subspecialty level, are also available.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health

Data element attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme \(PBS\) prescription—specialty of prescriber, major specialty code NNNN](#)

[Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Retired 19/10/2023

See also [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme \(PBS\) prescription—specialty of prescriber, subspecialty code NNNNNN](#)

[Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Retired 19/10/2023

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme \(PBS\) state/territory data extract 2013-14](#)
[Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Retired 19/10/2023

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