

# Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription —patient identifier, identifier N(9)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Patient identification number
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	Patient identifier; Patient ID; PIN
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	601236
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Health</a>, Standard 17/12/2015</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	A unique numeric identifier for the patient or Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) consumer for whom the PBS benefit is being claimed.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—patient identifier</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Identifier
<b>Data type:</b>	String
<b>Format:</b>	N(9)
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	9

## Data element attributes

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Department of Health
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### Relational attributes

<b>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</b>	<a href="#">Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) state/territory data extract 2013-14</a> <a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Health</a> , Standard 17/12/2015
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*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2013

*Implementation end date:* 30/06/2014

**DSS specific information:**

Variable name = PAT\_ID

This data element can be used to identify individual patients and may, in some use cases, need to be suppressed or de-identified.

### Implementation in Indicators:

## Used as Numerator

[Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation 2018: Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for ADHD medicines per 100,000 people, aged 17 years and under, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 13/12/2018](#)

[Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation 2018: Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for amoxicillin per 100,000 people, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 13/12/2018](#)

[Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation 2018: Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for amoxicillin-clavulanate per 100,000 people, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 13/12/2018](#)

[Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation 2018: Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for antibiotic medicines per 100,000 children aged 9 years and under, 2016-17](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 13/12/2018](#)

[Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation 2018: Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for antimicrobials per 100,000 people, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 13/12/2018](#)

[Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation 2018: Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for antipsychotic medicines per 100,000 people, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 \(i\) Age 17 years & under, \(ii\) Age 18 - 64 years, \(iii\) Age 65 years & over](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 13/12/2018](#)

[Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation 2018: Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for opioid medicines per 100,000 people, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 13/12/2018](#)

[Australian Atlas of Healthcare Variation 2018: Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for proton pump inhibitor medicines per 100,000 people aged \(i\) 18 years and over, \(ii\) 1 year and under, 2016-17](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 13/12/2018](#)

[Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for amoxicillin per 100,000 people, 2017-18](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 22/09/2020](#)

[Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for amoxicillin-clavulanate per 100,000 people, 2017-18](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 22/09/2020](#)

[Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for antimicrobials per 100,000 people, 2017-18](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 22/09/2020](#)

[Number of PBS/RPBS prescriptions dispensed for proton pump inhibitor medicines per 100,000 people aged 75 years and over, 2018-19](#)[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care, Standard 27/04/2021](#)

