Service/care provider—Medicare service provider identifier, NNNNNN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Medicare service provider identifier
Synonymous names:	Servicing provider number; Provider stem
METEOR identifier:	601809
Registration status:	Commonwealth Department of Health, Retired 19/10/2023
Definition:	A unique numeric identifier for the **Medicare service provider** to facilitate the payment of patient/provider claims.
Data Element Concept:	Service/care provider—Medicare service provider identifier
Value Domain:	Identifier NNNNNN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Identifier
Data type:	Number
Format:	NNNNNN
Maximum character length:	6

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	It is possible for a provider to have more than one provider number. The stem is combined with the provider's location identifier to distinguish different locations.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Department of Health

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	See also Service/care provider—Medicare referring provider identifier, NNNNNN Commonwealth Department of Health, Retired 19/10/2023 See also Service/care provider—Medicare service provider practice location identifier, text X Commonwealth Department of Health, Retired 19/10/2023
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