

Service/care provider—Medicare service provider identifier, NNNNNN

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:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonwealth Department of Health, Standard 14/10/2015
Definition:	A unique numeric identifier for the Medicare service provider to facilitate the payment of patient/provider claims.

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 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonwealth Department of Health, Standard 14/10/2015 See also Service/care provider—Medicare service provider practice location identifier, text X <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonwealth Department of Health, Standard 14/10/2015
-------------------------------------	---

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Medicare Benefits Schedule \(MBS\) state/territory data extract 2013-14 Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Standard 14/10/2015

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

DSS specific information:

Variable name = SPR