

Service/care provider—Medicare service provider practice location identifier, text X

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Medicare service provider practice location identifier
Synonymous names:	Provider location; Provider location identifier
METEOR identifier:	601956
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonwealth Department of Health, Standard 14/10/2015
Definition:	A unique alphanumeric identifier for a Medicare service provider's location, which may be the place of a provider's practice or the place of equipment.

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Identifier
Data type:	String
Format:	X
Maximum character length:	1

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Department of Health
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>This field is alphanumeric (excluding I, O S, Z and 0 (zero)).</p> <p>Providers who practice at several locations have more than one practice location identifier. Not all locations may be current for the provider but this information is retained. The values in themselves are meaningless except to designate a different location. The practice location identifier must be concatenated after the provider's stem to the full seven-digit provider number.</p> <p>The maximum number of provider locations that can be associated with a provider stem number is 31. Providers with more than 31 locations will be given an additional provider stem.</p>
Comments:	<p>Related data elements:</p> <p>Location Identifier Type Code (LOCN_ID_TYP_CDE) Each location (LOCN_ID) may have one or more location identifier type codes (LOCN_ID_TYP_CDE) and each identifier type code may be used by one or more locations.</p> <p>Location Start Date (LOCN_STS) Each location identifier (LOCN_ID) has one or more start dates (LOCN_STS). Each start date may be associated with one or more locations. A location start date of 01/01/0001 indicates a date prior to 1989 when the MPF came into existence.</p>

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Service/care provider—Medicare service provider identifier, NNNNNN](#)

- [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

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