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| 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: | [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023 |
| Definition: | A unique alphanumeric identifier for a  [**Medicare service provider's**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/608802) location, which may be the place of a provider’s practice or the place of equipment. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Service/care provider—Medicare service provider practice location identifier](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/601953) |
| Value Domain: | [Identifier text X](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/601426) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Identifier | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | X | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of Health |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This field is alphanumeric (excluding I, O S, Z and 0 (zero)).  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.  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. |
| Comments: | Related data elements:  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.  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. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of Health |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Service/care provider—Medicare service provider identifier, NNNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/601809)  [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) state/territory data extract 2013-14](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/603356)  [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2014 ***DSS specific information:***  Variable name = SPRPRAC |