

# Service/care provider—Medicare referring provider identifier, NNNNNN

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Medicare referring provider identifier
Synonymous names:	Requesting provider number; Referring provider number; Requesting provider stem
METEOR identifier:	603936
Registration status:	<a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Health</a> , Retired 19/10/2023
Definition:	A unique numeric identifier for a <a href="#">Medicare service provider</a> who requested further care, services or treatment.
Data Element Concept:	<a href="#">Service/care provider—Medicare referring provider identifier</a>
Value Domain:	<a href="#">Identifier NNNNNN</a>

## 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.
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## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Department of Health
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## Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	See also <a href="#">Service/care provider—Medicare referring provider practice location identifier, X</a> <a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Health</a> , Retired 19/10/2023  See also <a href="#">Service/care provider—Medicare service provider identifier, NNNNNN</a> <a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Health</a> , Retired 19/10/2023
Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	<a href="#">Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) state/territory data extract 2013-14</a> <a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Health</a> , Retired 19/10/2023 <b>Implementation start date:</b> 01/07/2013 <b>Implementation end date:</b> 30/06/2014 <b>DSS specific information:</b>  Variable name = RPR_DMSLVL1

