

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:	Commonwealth Department of Health , Retired 19/10/2023
Definition:	A unique numeric identifier for a Medicare service provider who requested further care, services or treatment.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Service/care provider—Medicare referring provider identifier
METEOR identifier:	603934
Registration status:	Commonwealth Department of Health , Recorded 27/05/2015
Definition:	A unique identifier for a Medicare service provider who requested further care, services or treatment.
Object class:	Service/care provider
Property:	Medicare referring provider identifier

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Department of Health
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Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Identifier NNNNNN
METEOR identifier:	315100
Registration status:	Commonwealth Department of Health , Retired 19/10/2023 Community Services (retired) , Standard 15/09/2007 Health , Standard 14/05/2015
Definition:	A combination of numeric characters that identify an entity.

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 practice location identifier, X](#)

[Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Retired 19/10/2023

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[Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Retired 19/10/2023

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Medicare Benefits Schedule \(MBS\) state/territory data extract 2013-14](#)
[Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Retired 19/10/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

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