

# Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription —pharmaceutical benefit entitlement source, code A

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Pharmaceutical benefit entitlement source
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	605239
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Health</a> , Retired 19/10/2023
<b>Definition:</b>	<p>The Government assistance programme under which the patient for whom the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) item is prescribed is eligible to receive benefits associated with the PBS, as represented by a code.</p> <p>This includes benefits associated with programmes related to but not strictly part of the PBS, e.g. the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (RPBS), and other schemes subsidised under the <i>National Health Act 1953</i> (Cwth), e.g. the Stoma Appliance Scheme (SAS).</p>
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—pharmaceutical benefit entitlement source</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Pharmaceutical benefit entitlement source code A</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	String	
<b>Format:</b>	A	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	D	Department of Social Services (unresolved)
	F	Families/mobility (Department of Social Services - DSS)
	I	Invalid
	M	Medicare (Department of Human Services - DHS)
	O	Ostomy associations
	P	Pension/parenting (DSS)
	S	Safety Net (DHS)
	U	Unemployed and special benefits (DSS)
	V	Department of Veterans' Affairs - DVA

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Membership of at least one of the categories listed above is necessary for a person to be eligible for subsidised over-the-counter prices for prescription medications.
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## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Department of Health

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**Reference documents:** Office of Parliamentary Counsel, ComLaw website 2014. National Health Act 1953 (Cwth). Office of Parliamentary Counsel, Canberra. Viewed 22 September 2015, <https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/C2015C00081>

### Relational attributes

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme \(PBS\) 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

**DSS specific information:**

Variable name = ENTTLMNT\_SRC\_CD