Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—specialty of prescriber, major specialty code NNNN

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Major specialty of prescriber |
| METEOR identifier: | 607130 |
| Registration status: | [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023 |
| Definition: | The major field of specialty of the authorised health professional responsible for the writing and signing of a prescription for a medicinal product included in the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS), as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—specialty of prescriber](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/600679) |
| Value Domain: | [Health professional major specialty code NNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/607029) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | NNNN | |
| Maximum character length: | 4 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 0101 | General practitioner - Vocationally registered GP (VRGP) |
|  | 0102 | General practitioner - Non-vocationally registered GP (Non-VRGP) |
|  | 0103 | General practitioner - GP trainee |
|  | 0104 | General practitioner - GP unclassified |
|  | 0201 | Specialist - internal medicine |
|  | 0202 | Specialist - immunology and allergy |
|  | 0203 | Specialist - cardiology |
|  | 0204 | Specialist - haematology |
|  | 0205 | Specialist - endocrinology |
|  | 0206 | Specialist - gastroenterology and hepatology |
|  | 0207 | Specialist - nephrology |
|  | 0208 | Specialist - neurology |
|  | 0209 | Specialist - nuclear medicine |
|  | 0210 | Specialist - paediatric medicine |
|  | 0211 | Specialist - rehabilitation medicine |
|  | 0212 | Specialist - rheumatology |
|  | 0213 | Specialist - respiratory and sleep medicine |
|  | 0214 | Specialist - geriatric medicine |
|  | 0215 | Specialist - medical oncology |
|  | 0216 | Specialist - intensive care |
|  | 0217 | Specialist - pathology |
|  | 0218 | Specialist - surgery |
|  | 0219 | Specialist - diagnostic radiology |
|  | 0220 | Specialist - anaesthetics |
|  | 0221 | Specialist - dermatology |
|  | 0222 | Specialist - obstetrics and gynaecology |
|  | 0223 | Specialist - ophthalmology |
|  | 0224 | Specialist - ear, nose and throat (ENT) |
|  | 0225 | Specialist - public health medicine |
|  | 0226 | Specialist - oral and maxillofacial surgery |
|  | 0227 | Specialist - palliative medicine |
|  | 0228 | Specialist - occupational and environmental medicine |
|  | 0229 | Specialist - infectious diseases |
|  | 0230 | Specialist - clinical genetics |
|  | 0231 | Specialist - psychiatry |
|  | 0232 | Specialist - college trainee - physician |
|  | 0233 | Specialist - sport and exercise medicine |
|  | 0234 | Specialist - addiction medicine |
|  | 0235 | Specialist - sexual health medicine |
|  | 0236 | Specialist - maternal-foetal medicine |
|  | 0237 | Specialist - reproductive endocrinology and infertility |
|  | 0238 | Specialist - urogynaecology |
|  | 0299 | Specialist - unclassified |
|  | 0301 | Allied health - Aboriginal Health Worker |
|  | 0302 | Allied health - allied mental health |
|  | 0303 | Allied health - chiropractor |
|  | 0304 | Allied health - dietician |
|  | 0305 | Allied health - midwife |
|  | 0306 | Allied health - nurse practitioner |
|  | 0307 | Allied health - occupational therapist |
|  | 0308 | Allied health - optometrist |
|  | 0309 | Allied health - osteopath |
|  | 0310 | Allied health - physiotherapist |
|  | 0311 | Allied health - podiatrist |
|  | 0312 | Allied health - speech pathologist |
|  | 0313 | Allied health - audiologist |
|  | 0314 | Allied health - social worker |
|  | 0399 | Allied health - unclassified |
|  | 0401 | Dental practitioner - oral surgery |
|  | 0402 | Dental practitioner - registered |
|  | 0403 | Dental practitioner - endodontist |
|  | 0404 | Dental practitioner - orthodontist |
|  | 0405 | Dental practitioner - periodontist |
|  | 0406 | Dental practitioner - prosthetist |
|  | 0407 | Dental practitioner - prosthodontist |
|  | 0499 | Dental practitioner - unclassified |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The first 2 characters of the code represent the broad group into which the health professional falls, i.e. either a General Practitioner (GP), Specialist, Allied health professional or Dental practitioner. Characters 3-4 of the code represent the health professional's major field of specialty. |

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

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| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—specialty of prescriber, group code NN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/600681)  [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023  See also [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—specialty of prescriber, subspecialty code NNNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/607133)  [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) state/territory data extract 2013-14](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/602524)  [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:***  This data element is not part of the 2013-14 data extracted provided to the states and territories. It is a more detailed version of the 'Speciality group of prescriber' data element and is included here so it can be taken through the data governance process. |