

Service contact—group session status, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Mental health care group session indicator |
| Synonymous names: | Mental health care group service event flag |
| METEOR identifier: | 614203 |
| Registration status: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority , Superseded 28/02/2017 |
| Definition: | An indicator of whether a health service contact was delivered in a group, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | Service contact—group session status |
| Value Domain: | Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N |

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Boolean | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
| | Value | Meaning |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Yes |
| | 2 | No |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

Collection and usage attributes

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| Guide for use: | CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described |
| | This code is not for use in primary data collections. |

Source and reference attributes

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| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:**CODE 1 Yes**

This code indicates care that has been provided to two or more patients by the same healthcare provider(s) at the same time.

A group must have two or more persons attending in the capacity of patients in their own right.

One service event is recorded for each patient who attends a group session.

Spouses, parents or carers attending the session are counted for the group session only if they are also participating in the service as a patient (see definition of a service event).

A group session may be delivered by more than one provider. This may be multidisciplinary care within one clinic appointment as part of a group, e.g. a group session jointly delivered by a physiotherapist and an occupational therapist.

In practice, this should be interpreted to mean that patients are receiving precisely the same services. For example:

- Patients may be part of a movement or hydrotherapy class where all participants are following the same intervention at the same time.
- Patients attending education sessions at chemotherapy or dialysis clinics are group sessions, if two or more people are receiving the same services at the same time.

CODE 2 No

This code indicates that care was delivered to the patient as an individual. An individual service event is provided to one person by one or more healthcare providers. For example:

- Where a clinician works one-on-one with several different patients in the same space over a period of time but each patient is following their own personalised program (for example, where several patients are scheduled to use the physiotherapy gym at once).
- Where multiple persons, such as several family members and carers, meet with a clinician to discuss one patient only.
- Patients attending for treatment at a dialysis or a chemotherapy clinic are receiving individual services.

Collection methods:

For the purposes of activity based funding reporting, this data item can be derived from existing data elements.

Ambulatory specialised- This data element can be derived from [Mental health service contact- session type, code N](#)

Ambulatory non-specialised- This data element can be derived from [Non-admitted patient service event- group session indicator, yes/no code N](#).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Independent Hospital Pricing Authority

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [Service contact—group session status, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 25/01/2018

See also [Appointment—group session indicator, yes/no code N](#)
[WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015

See also [Mental health service contact—session type, code N](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 02/02/2016

See also [Non-admitted patient event—group session status, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 25/01/2018

See also [Non-admitted patient service event—group session indicator, yes/no code N](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Activity based funding: Mental health care DSS 2016-17](#)
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Superseded 28/02/2017

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Conditional obligation: The data element is only required to be reported for patients admitted to an ambulatory mental health episode of care.