

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

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

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 , Superseded 28/02/2017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

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

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

### Collection and usage attributes

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

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	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

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2016

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2017

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