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Prescriber—geographic remoteness

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element Concept

METEOR identifier: 616970

Registration status: Commonwealth Department of Health, Retired 19/10/2023

Definition: The remoteness of a **Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescriber**,

based on the physical road distance to the nearest urban centre and its population

size.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: <u>Prescriber</u>

Definition: A doctor or other authorised health professional who writes or prepares a

prescription.

Specialisation of: Person/group of persons

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: <u>Geographic remoteness</u>

Definition: The remoteness of a location, based on the physical road distance to the nearest

urban centre and its population size.

Context: Geographic remoteness is essentially a measure of a physical location's level of

access to goods and services. Large population centres tend to have a greater range of goods and services available than small centres. Typically, a population centre is not likely to provide a full range of goods and services until its population

reaches around 250,000 people.

Property group: <u>Location characteristics</u>

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element concept attributes

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health

Relational attributes

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

Prescriber—geographic remoteness, PBS classification (ASGS-RA) X

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