

Emergency department stay—waiting time (to commencement of clinical care), total minutes NNNNN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Emergency department waiting time to clinical care commencement
METEOR identifier:	621840
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 20/10/2021 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 22/03/2023
Definition:	The time elapsed in minutes for each patient from presentation in the emergency department to the commencement of the emergency department non-admitted clinical care.
Data Element Concept:	Emergency department stay—waiting time (to commencement of clinical care)
Value Domain:	Total minutes NNNNN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Number
Format:	NNNNN
Maximum character length:	5
Unit of measure:	Minute (m)

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>Calculated by subtracting the date and time the patient presents to the emergency department from the date and time the emergency department non-admitted clinical care commenced. Although triage category 1 is measured in seconds, it is recognised that the data will not be collected with this precision.</p> <p>This data element should not be completed for patients who have an Episode end status of 'Did not wait to be attended by a health care professional' or 'Registered, advised of another health care service, and left the emergency department without being attended by a health care professional'.</p>
Comments:	It is recognised that at times of extreme urgency or multiple synchronous presentations, or if no medical officer is on duty in the emergency department, this service may be provided by a nurse.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	National reference group for non-admitted patient data development, 2001-02
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Emergency department stay—waiting time \(to commencement of clinical care\), total minutes NNNNN](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 19/11/2015

[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 01/11/2012

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 08/12/2016

Has been superseded by [Emergency department stay—waiting time, total minutes NNNNN](#)

[Health](#), Standard 20/10/2021

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 22/03/2023

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Emergency department presentation related data elements \(TDLU\) cluster](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 13/11/2023

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2017-18](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2017

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

Conditional obligation:

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2018-19](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

Conditional obligation:

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019–20](#)

[Health](#), Retired 19/11/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

Conditional obligation:

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home

- or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2016-17](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2016

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

Conditional obligation:

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2017-18](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 25/01/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2017

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

Conditional obligation:

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2018-19](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

Conditional obligation:

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode

- completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department as a non-admitted patient;
- Code 7 - Dead on arrival, emergency department clinician certified the death of the patient.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019–20](#)

Health, Superseded 18/12/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

Conditional obligation:

This data item is to be recorded if the patient has one of the following Episode end status values recorded:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2020–21](#)

Health, Superseded 05/02/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

Implementation end date: 30/06/2021

Conditional obligation:

This data item is only required to be reported if the value for [Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—episode end status, code N](#) is recorded as:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency department.

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2021–22](#)

Health, Superseded 20/10/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2021

Implementation end date: 30/06/2022

Conditional obligation:

This data item is only required to be reported if the value for [Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—episode end status, code N](#) is recorded as:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional

but before the non-admitted patient emergency department service episode was completed;

- Code 6 - Died in emergency department.

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2016](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 30/04/2020

Implementation start date: 01/07/2016

Implementation end date: 28/06/2017

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2019](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 30/04/2020

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 28/06/2020

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2020](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 22/11/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

Implementation end date: 30/06/2021

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2021](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 22/11/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2021

Implementation end date: 30/06/2022

Conditional obligation:

Required if episode of care meets the data elements criteria

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2022](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 22/11/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

Conditional obligation:

If applicable

Implementation in Indicators:

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.5–Waiting times for emergency department care: proportion seen on time, 2019](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.5–Waiting times for emergency department care: proportion seen on time, 2019](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.5–Waiting times for emergency department care: proportion seen on time, 2020](#)

[Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.5–Waiting times for emergency department care: proportion seen on time, 2020](#)

[Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.6–Waiting times for emergency department care: waiting times to commencement of clinical care, 2019](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.6–Waiting times for emergency department care: waiting times to commencement of clinical care, 2019](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.6–Waiting times for emergency department care: waiting times to commencement of clinical care, 2020](#)

[Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.6–Waiting times for emergency department care: waiting times to commencement of clinical care, 2020](#)

[Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: Proportion seen on time, 2018](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 19/06/2019

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: Proportion seen on time, 2019](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: Proportion seen on time, 2019](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2020](#)

[Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2020](#)

[Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2021](#)

[Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2021](#)

[Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21a–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion seen on time, 2022](#)

[Health](#), Standard 24/09/2021

[Service Agreement - Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2016, ACC 1-2, Emergency Department , Percentage of triage 1 and all emergency department presentations seen within the recommended triage time, 2016](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 28/03/2019

[Service Agreement - Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania: 2017 ACC 1-2 - Emergency Department - Percentage of triage 1 and all emergency department presentations seen within the recommended triage time, 2017](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 28/03/2019

[Service Agreement - Department of Health Tasmania: 2018, Emergency Department - Percentage of triage 1 and all emergency department presentations seen within the recommended triage time, 2018](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 24/07/2019

[Service Plan - Department of Health Tasmania: 2019, Emergency department percentage of triage 1 and all emergency department presentations seen within the recommended time - Triage 1 and all triage categories \(all specified facilities\), 2019](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 24/07/2019