Person—reason for health clinic attendance, code NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Reason for health clinic attendance
METEOR identifier:	624523
Registration status:	Health, Standard 28/04/2016
Definition:	The reason or health issue that prompts a person to visit a health clinic, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—reason for health clinic attendance
Value Domain:	Reason for health clinic attendance, code NN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	NN
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	01	Health check
	02	Diabetes
	03	Mental health condition
	04	Pathology
	05	Skin condition (excluding cancer and communicable diseases)
	06	Drug and alcohol issue
	07	Medication
	08	Vaccination
	09	Musculoskeletal injury
	10	Musculoskeletal condition (excluding arthritis, injury or cancer)
	11	Cardiovascular disease
	12	Respiratory condition (excluding asthma, cancer or communicable diseases)
	13	Communicable disease
	14	Dental
	15	Digestive condition (excluding cancer)
	16	Wound care
	17	Asthma
	18	Sensory conditions (ear and eye conditions)
	19	Neurological condition

	20	Malignancy (cancer, excluding non-melanoma skin cancer)
	21	Arthritis
	22	Women's health
	25	Other
Supplementary values:	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

More than one code may be recorded if there are multiple reasons for visiting the health clinic.

CODE 01 Health check

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for a general health check.

CODE 02 Diabetes

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for treatment of Type 1, Type 2 or gestational diabetes.

CODE 03 Mental health condition

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for treatment of a mental health condition.

CODE 04 Pathology

Record this code if the person attending the clinic was having blood or urine tested or receiving results from a blood or urine test.

CODE 05 Skin condition (excluding cancer and communicable diseases)

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for a skin condition (excludes cancer and communicable diseases).

CODE 06 Drug and alcohol issue

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for a drug and alcohol issue.

CODE 07 Medication

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for medication.

CODE 08 Vaccination

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for a vaccination.

CODE 09 Musculoskeletal injury

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for a musculoskeletal injury. Musculoskeletal conditions are recorded separately.

CODE 10 Musculoskeletal condition (excluding arthritis, injury or cancer)

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for a musculoskeletal condition. This excludes arthritis, cancer or injury.

CODE 11 Cardiovascular disease

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for treatment of cardiovascular disease (includes coronary heart disease, heart failure, rheumatic fever, rheumatic heart disease, congenital heart disease, stroke and peripheral vascular disease).

CODE 12 Respiratory condition (excluding asthma, cancer or communicable diseases)

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for treatment of a respiratory

condition.

CODE 13 Communicable disease

Communicable diseases are those which are capable of being transmitted between individuals and include infectious and parasitic disease (Healey 2004). Record this code if the person attended the clinic for treatment of a communicable disease (includes blood-borne diseases, gastrointestinal diseases, quarantinable diseases, sexually transmitted infections, vaccine preventable diseases, vector-borne diseases, zoonoses and other bacterial infections).

CODE 14 Dental

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for dental referral, dental procedures or dental pain.

CODE 15 Digestive condition (excluding cancer)

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for treatment of a digestive condition. This excludes cancers which are recorded separately.

CODE 16 Wound care

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for wound care for example dressings or review.

CODE 17 Asthma

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for the treatment of asthma.

CODE 18 Sensory conditions (ear and eye conditions)

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for the treatment of ear or eye conditions.

CODE 19 Neurological condition

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for neurological conditions for example epilepsy, Parkinson disease, motor neurone disease.

CODE 20 Malignancy (cancer, excluding non-melanoma skin cancer)

Record this code if the reason for attending the clinic was a malignancy (cancer), excludes non-melanoma skin cancer.

CODE 21 Arthritis

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for treatment of arthritis (includes gout, rheumatism, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, other type, arthritis type unknown).

CODE 22 Women's health

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for women's health issues for example cervical screening, contraceptives.

CODE 25 Other

Record this code if the person attended the clinic for a reason not specified above.

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Record this code when the reason is unknown.

Comments:

The list of reasons for attendance at the health clinic was initially guided by the most common categories reported in a number of relevant surveys, for example the 2001 NSW Inmate Health Survey, Queensland Women Prisoners' Health Survey and the *General Practice Activity in Australia 2007-08* (Britt et al. 2008). Following the 2009 National Prisoner Health Census, the list was amended to include the reasons recorded in the 'Other' category on the National Prisoner Health Census Clinic form.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: National Centre for Classification in Health 2010. The International statistical classification of diseases and related health problems, tenth revision, Australian modification (7th edn). Sydney: National Centre for Classification in Health, Faculty of Health Sciences, The University of Sydney.

Reference documents: AIHW 2013. The health of Australia's prisoners 2012. Cat. no. PHE 170. Canberra: AIHW.

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Data element attributes

Source and reference attributes

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Relational attributes

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DSS specific information:

This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prisoners in custody who used the prison clinic.