Perineal status code N[N]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 630087 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 12/12/2018 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the state of the perineum. |

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| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | Number |
| Format: | N[N] |
| Maximum character length: | 2 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Intact |
|   | 2 | 1st degree laceration/vaginal graze |
|   | 3 | 2nd degree laceration |
|   | 4 | 3rd degree laceration |
|   | 5 | Episiotomy |
|   | 7 | 4th degree laceration |
|   | 88 | Other perineal laceration, rupture or tear |
| Supplementary values: | 99  | Not stated/inadequately described  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | CODE 2   1st degree laceration/vaginal grazeGraze, laceration, rupture or tear of the perineal skin during delivery that may be considered to be slight or that involves one or more of the following structures:* fourchette
* labia
* periurethral tissue (excluding involvement of urethra)
* vagina, low
* vulva.

CODE 3   2nd degree lacerationPerineal laceration, rupture or tear as in Code 2 occurring during delivery, also involving:* pelvic floor
* perineal muscles
* vaginal muscles.

Excludes laceration involving the anal sphincter.CODE 4   3rd degree lacerationPerineal laceration, rupture or tear as in Code 3 occurring during delivery, also involving:* anal sphincter (excluding involvement of anal or rectal mucosa)
* rectovaginal septum
* sphincter not otherwise specified (NOS).

Excludes laceration involving the anal or rectal mucosa.CODE 7   4th degree lacerationPerineal laceration, rupture or tear as in Code 4 occurring during delivery, also involving:* anal mucosa
* rectal mucosa.

CODE 88   Other perineal laceration, rupture or tearMay include haematoma or unspecified perineal tear. |
| Comments: | If a laceration occurred during delivery and an episiotomy was performed, both the degree of laceration and the episiotomy should be recorded. If an episiotomy is performed, the perineum cannot be intact.Code 6 has been omitted as it is no longer in use. For information about its meaning in previous data elements, see superseded versions.While 4th degree laceration is more severe than an episiotomy, this category has not been placed in order of clinical significance within the value domain. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | Australian Consortium for Classification Development (ACCD) 2017. The International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision, Australian Modification (ICD-10-AM), Tenth edn. Tabular list of diseases and Alphabetic index of diseases. Sydney: ACCD, University of Sydney. |

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| Relational attributes  |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Perineal status code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/423657)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/08/2017Has been superseded by [Perineal status code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/695389)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 20/11/2019 |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Female (mother)—postpartum perineal status, code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/630080)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 12/12/2018 |