

Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Children's Global Assessment Scale score code N[NN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Level of psychiatric symptom severity (CGAS score)
METEOR identifier:	654407
Registration status:	Health , Standard 28/02/2017
Definition:	An assessment of the severity of a person's psychiatric symptoms, as represented by a code.
Context:	Psychiatric symptom severity, persons aged 17 years and under.
Data Element Concept:	Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity
Value Domain:	Children's Global Assessment Scale score code N[NN]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[NN]
Maximum character length:	3

	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	997	Unable to rate
	999	Not stated/missing

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The Children's Global Assessment Scale (CGAS) was developed to provide a measure of severity of disturbance in children and adolescents. It is designed to reflect the lowest level of functioning for a child or an adolescent during a specified period.

The measure provides a single global rating only, on a scale of 1 to 100. Clinicians assign a score, with 1 representing the most functionally impaired child, and 100 the healthiest child.

Scale ranges:

100-91	Superior functioning in all areas
90-81	Good functioning in all areas
80-71	No more than slight impairments in functioning
70-61	Some difficulty in a single area but generally functioning pretty well
60-51	Variable functioning with sporadic difficulties or symptoms in several but not all social areas
50-41	Moderate interference in functioning in most social areas or severe impairment of functioning in one area
40-31	Major impairment of functioning in several areas and unable to function in one of these areas
30-21	Unable to function in almost all areas
20-11	Needs considerable supervision
10-1	Needs constant supervision

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Independent Hospital Pricing Authority

Reference documents: Australian Mental Health Outcomes and Classification Network 2005. Training Manual: Child & Adolescent All Service Settings. Viewed 13 September 2016, http://www.amhocn.org/sites/default/files/publication_files/child_adolescent_manual.pdf

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Children's Global Assessment Scale score code N\[NN\]](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 28/02/2017

[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 12/11/2015

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2017-18](#)

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

Implementation start date: 01/07/2017

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

Conditional obligation:

Reporting of the CGAS at the start of the mental health phase of care is mandatory for patients in all settings.

Reporting of the CGAS is not mandatory if mental health phase of care is reported as Assessment Only.

The CGAS should only be reported for patients aged 17 years and under.

[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2018-19](#)

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

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

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[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2019-20](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 17/01/2020

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

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[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2020-21](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 23/12/2020

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

Implementation end date: 30/06/2021

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[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2021-22](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2021

Implementation end date: 30/06/2022

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[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 20/12/2022

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

Conditional obligation:

Reporting of the CGAS at the start of the mental health phase of care is mandatory for patients in all settings.

Reporting of the CGAS is not mandatory if the response to [Episode of care—clinical assessment only indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described, code N](#) is CODE 1 'Yes'.

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[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

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[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

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Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

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[National Outcomes and Casemix Collection NBEDS 2023-24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

Conditional obligation:

In the National Outcomes and Casemix Collection (NOCC) NBEDS, this data element should be collected where:

Setting: inpatient, residential or ambulatory

Occasion: admission and review

Age group: child and adolescent

For more information on setting, occasion, or age groups, see the Mental Health National Outcomes and Casemix Collection, Technical specification of State and

Territory reporting requirements <https://docs.validator.com.au/nocc/02.10/>
(Australian Mental Health Outcomes and Classifications Network, 2022).

[National Outcomes and Casemix Collection NBEDS 2024-25](#)

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