

Children's Global Assessment Scale score code N[NN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	654409
Registration status:	Health , Standard 28/02/2017
Definition:	A code set representing the severity of disturbance in the functioning of a child or adolescent.

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

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Children's Global Assessment Scale score code N\[NN\]](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 15/10/2014

Data elements implementing this value domain: [Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Children's Global Assessment Scale score code N\[NN\]](#) Health, Standard 28/02/2017