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| Definition: | A method of funding health services based on amount and type of activity. |
| Context: | Activity based funding in the context of health is a method of funding hospitals and health services whereby health services are funded for the provision of patient care (or teaching) based on the type and mix of patients they treat (or trainees they teach). A set amount is paid to the health service based on the relative cost of the group to which the patient (or trainee) is classified. |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Activity based funding has three essential elements:  Classification: Allocation of patients treated (or trainees taught) into groups which allow weightings to be applied. The groups should have resource use homogeneity (patients within a group should cost a similar amount to treat) and be clinically coherent (patients within a group should be clinically similar).  Activity data: Counting the patients treated (or trainees taught).  Cost data: Determining the cost of treatment (or training). |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Reference documents: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority 2017. Activity Based Funding. Viewed 31 July 2017, <https://www.ihpa.gov.au/what-we-do/activity-based-funding> |
| Relational attributes | |
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