

Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Emergency department physical departure time
METEOR identifier:	684600
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health, Superseded 20/10/2021• Tasmanian Health, Standard 22/05/2020
Definition:	The time at which a patient departs an emergency department after a stay, expressed as hhmm.
Context:	Emergency department care.
Data Element Concept:	Emergency department stay—physical departure time

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Time
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	hhmm
Maximum character length:	4

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents:	Standards Australia 2007. AS ISO 8601-2007 Data elements and interchange formats—Information interchange—Representation of dates and times. Sydney: Standards Australia.
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The episode end status should guide the selection of the value to be recorded in this field:

- If the patient is subsequently admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency department hospital ward), then record the time the patient leaves the emergency department to go to the admitted patient facility.
 - Patients admitted to any other ward or bed within the emergency department have not physically departed the emergency department until they leave the emergency department.
 - If the patient is admitted and subsequently dies before leaving the emergency department, then record the time the body was removed from the emergency department.
- If the service episode is completed without the patient being admitted, then record the time the patient's emergency department non-admitted clinical care ended.
- If the service episode is completed and the patient is referred to another hospital for admission, then record the time the patient leaves the emergency department.
- If the patient did not wait, then record the time the patient leaves the emergency department or was first noticed as having left.
- If the patient leaves at their own risk, then record the time the patient leaves the emergency department or was first noticed as having left.
- If the patient died in the emergency department, then record the time the body was removed from the emergency department.
- If the patient was dead on arrival, then record the time the body was removed from the emergency department. If an emergency department physician certified the death of the patient outside the emergency department, then record the time the patient was certified dead.
- If the patient was registered, advised of another health-care service, and left the emergency department without being attended by a health-care professional, then record the time the patient leaves the emergency department.

Collection methods:

Collected in conjunction with emergency department physical departure date.

Comments:

This data element has been developed for the purpose of State and Territory compliance with the National Healthcare Agreement and the agreed national access performance indicator.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Emergency department stay—physical departure date, DDMMYYYY](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 08/08/2018
- [Health](#), Superseded 20/10/2021
- [Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 22/05/2020

Has been superseded by [Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 20/10/2021

Supersedes [Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 25/01/2018
- [Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 22/05/2020

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Allied health non-admitted patient emergency department NBPDSHealth](#), Standard 12/12/2018

[Emergency department episode end related data elements \(TDLU\) cluster Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 18/05/2021

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2018-19 Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NBEDS 2019-20 Health](#), Retired 19/11/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2018-19 ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 08/08/2018
[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2019-20 Health](#), Superseded 18/12/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2020-21 Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

Implementation end date: 30/06/2021

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2021-22 Health](#), Superseded 20/10/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2021

Implementation end date: 30/06/2022

[Tasmanian Emergency Department Data Set - 2020Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 15/06/2020

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

Implementation end date: 30/06/2021

Implementation in Indicators:

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.7–Waiting times for emergency department care: percentage of patients whose length of emergency department stay is 4 hours or less, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.7–Waiting times for emergency department care: percentage of patients whose length of emergency department stay is 4 hours or less, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.7–Waiting times for emergency department care: percentage of patients whose length of emergency department stay is 4 hours or less, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.7–Waiting times for emergency department care: percentage of patients whose length of emergency department stay is 4 hours or less, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.8–Waiting times for emergency department care: time spent in the emergency department, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.8–Waiting times for emergency department care: time spent in the emergency department, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.8–Waiting times for emergency department care: time spent in the emergency department, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.8–Waiting times for emergency department care: time spent in the emergency department, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21b–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion of patients whose length of emergency department stay is less than or equal to four hours, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21b–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion of patients whose length of emergency department stay is less than or equal to four hours, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21b–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion of patients whose length of emergency department stay is less than or equal to four hours, 2021Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21b–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion of patients whose length of emergency department stay is less than or equal to four hours, 2021Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21b–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion of patients whose length of emergency department stay is less than or equal to four hours, 2022Health](#), Standard 24/09/2021

Used as Denominator

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.7–Waiting times for emergency department care: percentage of patients whose length of emergency department stay is 4 hours or less, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.7–Waiting times for emergency department care: percentage of patients whose length of emergency department stay is 4 hours or less, 2019Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.5.7–Waiting times for emergency department care: percentage of patients whose length of emergency department stay is 4 hours or less, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/10/2021

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[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21b–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion of patients whose length of emergency department stay is less than or equal to four hours, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

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[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 21b–Waiting times for emergency hospital care: proportion of patients whose length of emergency department stay is less than or equal to four hours, 2022Health](#), Standard 24/09/2021