

Indigenous primary health care: PI03a-Number of regular clients for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People (MBS Item 715) was claimed, 2015-2017

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Output measure
Short name:	PI03a-Number of regular clients for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People (MBS Item 715) was claimed, 2015-2017
METEOR identifier:	686350
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health, Superseded 17/10/2018• Indigenous, Superseded 17/10/2018

Description: Number of regular clients who are Indigenous, aged 0-4 years and for whom a Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People was claimed within the previous 12 months AND number of regular clients who are Indigenous, aged 25 years and over and for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People was claimed within the previous 24 months.

Rationale: The role of primary health care providers in early detection has been reinforced in recent years through the introduction of additional items under the MBS to encourage regular health assessments for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Regular health assessments encourage early detection, diagnosis and intervention for common and treatable conditions that cause morbidity and early mortality.

Indicator set: [Indigenous primary health care key performance indicators \(2015-2017\)](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 17/10/2018
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 17/10/2018

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age from:	0-4 years
	25 years and over

Computation description: Count of regular clients who are Indigenous, aged 0-4 years and for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People was claimed within the previous 12 months AND count of regular clients who are Indigenous, aged 25 years and over and for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People was claimed within the previous 24 months.

'Regular client' refers to a client of an Australian Government Department of Health-funded primary health care service (that is required to report against the Indigenous primary health care key performance indicators) who has an active medical record; that is, a client who has attended the Department of Health-funded primary health care service at least 3 times in 2 years.

MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People (MBS Item 715): A health assessment specifically available to all people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent which can be used for health assessments across the age spectrum. The health assessment includes the assessment of a patient's physical health, and psychological and social well-being. It also assesses whether preventive health care and education should be offered to the patient, to improve that patient's health and well-being (DoH 2013).

Presented as a number.

Calculated separately for regular clients aged 0-4 years and 25 years and older.

Computation: Numerator only

Numerator: Calculation A: Number of regular clients who are Indigenous, aged 0-4 years and for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People (MBS Item 715) was claimed within the previous 12 months.

Calculation B: Number of regular clients who are Indigenous, aged 25 years and over and for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People (MBS Item 715) was claimed within the previous 24 months.

Numerator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—age, total years N\[NN\]](#)

Data Source

[Indigenous primary health care data collection](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017–18](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People \(MBS Item 715\) indicator, yes/no code N](#)

Data Source

[Indigenous primary health care data collection](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017–18](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—Indigenous status, code N](#)

Data Source

[Indigenous primary health care data collection](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017–18](#)

Guide for use

The implementation start date for this data element in the Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017-18 is 1 December 2017.

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—regular client indicator, yes/no code N](#)

Data Source

[Indigenous primary health care data collection](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017–18](#)

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Disaggregation:

- 1. Age:
 - a) 0-4 years
 - b) 25-34 years
 - c) 35-44 years
 - d) 45-54 years
 - e) 55-64 years
 - f) 65 years and over

- 2. Sex (for those 25 years and over):
 - a) Male
 - b) Female

Disaggregation data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—age, total years N\[NN\]](#)

Data Source

[Indigenous primary health care data collection](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017–18](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—sex, code X](#)

Data Source

[Indigenous primary health care data collection](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017–18](#)

Guide for use

Only for those aged 25 years and over.

The implementation start date for this data element in the Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017-18 is 1 December 2017.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Count

Data type: Real

Unit of measure: Person

Format: N[N(6)]

Indicator conceptual framework

Framework and dimensions: [Effective/Appropriate/Efficient](#)

Data source attributes

Data sources: **Data Source**
[Indigenous primary health care data collection](#)

Frequency
6 monthly

Data custodian
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Australian Government Department of Health

Origin: DoH (Australian Government Department of Health) 2013. Medicare Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People (MBS ITEM 715). Canberra: DoH. Viewed 28 October 2014, [http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/F55BEF7B8F46193DCA257BF0001F95FF/\\$File/715%20-%20Medicare%20Hlth%20Assmnt%20Aboriginal%20Torres%20Strait%20Islander%20People.pdf](http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/F55BEF7B8F46193DCA257BF0001F95FF/$File/715%20-%20Medicare%20Hlth%20Assmnt%20Aboriginal%20Torres%20Strait%20Islander%20People.pdf).

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Indigenous primary health care: PI03a-Number of regular clients for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People \(MBS Item 715\) was claimed, 2015-2017](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 25/01/2018
- [Indigenous](#), Superseded 27/02/2018

Has been superseded by [Indigenous primary health care: PI03a-Number of regular clients for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People \(MBS Item 715\) was claimed, 2018-2019](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 16/01/2020
- [Indigenous](#), Superseded 14/07/2021

See also [Indigenous primary health care: PI03b-Proportion of regular clients for whom an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People \(MBS Item 715\) was claimed, 2015-2017](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 17/10/2018
- [Indigenous](#), Superseded 17/10/2018