

Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale score code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	704377
Registration status:	Health , Standard 20/11/2019
Definition:	A code representing a score on the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	0 - 30	A number representing a score on the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale
Supplementary values:	98	Unknown
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>CODE 0-30 Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS) score</p> <p>This value should be the total EPDS score.</p> <p>0-9: Scores in this range may indicate the presence of some symptoms of distress that may be short-lived and are less likely to interfere with the day-to-day ability to function at home or at work.</p> <p>10-12: Scores within this range indicate presence of symptoms of distress that may be discomforting.</p> <p>13-30: Scores within this range indicate that likelihood of depression is high.</p> <p>CODE 98 Unknown</p> <p>This value should be used if the EPDS score is unknown.</p> <p>CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described</p> <p>This value should be used if the EPDS score is not stated or not completed.</p>
Comments:	<p>The Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS) is a self-report measure and is designed to screen females for symptoms of emotional distress during pregnancy and the postnatal period. The EPDS is not a diagnostic tool and must always be used in conjunction with clinical assessment.</p>

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Reference documents: Centre of Perinatal Excellence 2014. Using the EPDS as a screening tool. Flemington: Centre for Perinatal Excellence. Viewed 27 May 2019, <https://www.cope.org.au/health-professionals/health-professionals-3/calculating-score-epds/>

Relational attributes

Data elements implementing this value domain: [Female—indication of possible symptoms of depression at an antenatal care visit, Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale score code N\[N\]](#)
[Health](#), Standard 20/11/2019