Cataract clinical care standard indicators: 5 - Evidence of a locally approved protocol to prioritise patients for cataract surgery according to clinical need

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Indicator |
| Indicator type: | Indicator |
| Short name: | Indicator 5 - Evidence of a locally approved protocol to prioritise patients for cataract surgery according to clinical need |
| METEOR identifier: | 711426 |
| Registration status: | [Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 17/08/2021 |
| Description: | Evidence of a locally approved protocol to prioritise patients for cataract surgery according to clinical need. |
| Indicator set: | [Clinical care standard indicators: Cataract](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/711408)       [Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 27/09/2021 |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Computation description: | The protocol should specify the process to prioritise patients according to clinical need using a systematic, transparent method that takes into account the patient’s:* Visual impairment and vision-related activity limitations
* Co-morbidity
* Potential harms from delayed surgery, and
* Potential to benefit from cataract surgery.

This protocol should apply where there is a waiting list for cataract surgery. Use of the National Elective surgery prioritisation criteria reference alone is not sufficient evidence, as even within those categories, prioritisation should apply. |
| Computation: | A healthcare setting where surgery is provided to patients with cataract which has a documented process should record ‘Yes’. Otherwise, the healthcare setting should record ‘No'. |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Count |
| Data type: | Real |
| Unit of measure: | Service event |
| Format: | Yes/No |
| Accountability attributes |
| Other issues caveats: | Applicable settings: public and private ophthalmology clinics and practices, and public and private hospitals. |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care |