Episode of mental health care—episode start mode, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Episode of mental health care start mode |
| METEOR identifier: | 730813 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 23/12/2020 |
| Definition: | The mechanism by which a person begins an episode of [**mental health care**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/575321), as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Episode of mental health care—episode start mode](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/723147) |
| Value Domain: | [Episode start mode code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/730811) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Start of a new episode of care/statistical admission |
|  | 2 | Start of a new reference period |
|  | 3 | Start of expected short concurrent residential stay (on leave from other residential mental health service) |
| Supplementary values: | 8 | Unknown |
|  | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1   Start of a new episode of care/statistical admission  Refers to the formal start of an episode of care or the statistical start of an admitted patient episode of care.  CODE 2   Start of a new [**reference period**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/699148)  Refers to the statistical start of a residential or ambulatory mental health care episode necessary at the commencement of a reporting period (i.e. calendar or financial year).  CODE 3   Start of expected short concurrent residential stay (on leave from other residential mental health service)  Refers to the start of an expected short concurrent residential stay when a resident is on leave from the original residential mental health service with the intention of return. This code is only applicable for residential patients. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Collection methods: | For the purposes of activity based funding reporting, the values for this data element can be derived from existing data elements where they exist.  Admitted care: This data element can be derived from [Episode of admitted patient care—admission mode, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269976).  Residential care: This data element can be derived from [Episode of residential care—episode start mode, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/723196). |
| Comments: | Information on the mechanism by which a patient begins an episode of care assists in analyses of intersectoral patient flow and health care planning. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Episode of mental health care—episode start mode, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/723150)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 23/12/2020  See also [Episode of admitted patient care—admission mode, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269976)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005  See also [Episode of residential care—episode start mode, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/723196)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 16/01/2020 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2021–22](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/735108)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 17/12/2021  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2021 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2022  [Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2022–23](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/742188)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 20/12/2022  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2022 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2023  [Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2023–24](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/756208)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/12/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2023 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2024  [Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2024–25](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775778)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 06/12/2023  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2024  ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2025 |