Episode of care—mental health phase of care, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Mental health phase of care |
| METEOR identifier: | 730856 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 17/12/2021 |
| Definition: | The primary goal of treatment within the episode of care in terms of the recognised [**mental health phase of care**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/682464), as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Episode of care—mental health phase of care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/653130) |
| Value Domain: | [Mental health care phase code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/640410) |

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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 | Acute |
|  | 2 | Functional gain |
|  | 3 | Intensive extended |
|  | 4 | Consolidating gain |
|  | 5 | Assessment only |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The primary goal of care that is reflected in the patient's mental health treatment plan.  It reflects a prospective assessment of the primary goal of care at the time of collection, rather than a retrospective assessment.  CODE 1   Acute  The primary goal of care is the short term reduction in severity of symptoms and/or personal distress associated with the recent onset or exacerbation of a psychiatric disorder.  CODE 2   Functional gain  The primary goal of care is to improve personal, social or occupational functioning or promote psychosocial adaptation in a patient with impairment arising from a psychiatric disorder.  CODE 3   Intensive extended  The primary goal of care is prevention or minimisation of further deterioration, and reduction of risk of harm in a patient who has a stable pattern of severe symptoms, frequent relapses or severe inability to function independently and is judged to require care over an indefinite period.  CODE 4   Consolidating gain  The primary goal of care is to maintain the level of functioning, or improving functioning during a period of recovery, minimise deterioration or prevent relapse where the patient has stabilised and functions relatively independently. Consolidating gain may also be known as maintenance.  CODE 5   Assessment only  The primary goal of care is to obtain information, including collateral information where possible, in order to determine the intervention/treatment needs and to arrange for this to occur (includes brief history, risk assessment, referral to treating team or other service).  CODE 9    Not stated/inadequately described  This code is not for use in primary data collections. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Reference documents: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority 2016. Mental Health Phase of Care Guide. Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Sydney. Viewed 7 September 2016,  <https://www.ihpa.gov.au/publications/mental-health-phase-care-guide> |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Episode of care—mental health phase of care, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/681789)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 23/12/2020  Has been superseded by [Episode of care—mental health phase of care, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/744325)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 17/12/2021  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 06/12/2023 |
| 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 |