

# Emergency service visit type code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Value Domain
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	745127
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 20/10/2021
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing the types of <a href="#">emergency service</a> visits.

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1

	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Emergency presentation
	2	Return visit, planned
	3	Pre-arranged admission
	5	Dead on arrival

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:****CODE 1** Emergency presentation

This code includes attendance at the emergency service for an actual or suspected condition which is sufficiently serious to require acute unscheduled care.

This includes patients awaiting transit to another facility who receive clinical care in the emergency service, and patients for whom resuscitation is attempted.

Exclusion: Where patients are awaiting transit to another facility and do not receive clinical care in the emergency service, the patient should not be recorded.

**CODE 2** Return visit, planned

This code includes a planned return to the emergency service as a result of a previous emergency service presentation (Code 1) or return visit (Code 2). The return visit may be for planned follow-up treatment, as a consequence of test results becoming available indicating the need for further treatment, or as a result of a care plan initiated at discharge.

Exclusion: Where a visit follows general advice to return if feeling unwell, this should not be recorded as a planned visit.

**CODE 3** Pre-arranged admission

Where a patient presents to the emergency service for an admission to either a non-emergency service ward or other admitted patient care unit that has been arranged prior to the patient's arrival, and the patient receives clinical care in the emergency service.

Exclusion: Where a patient presents for a pre-arranged admission and only clerical services are provided by the emergency service, the patient should not be recorded.

**CODE 5** Dead on arrival

This code should only be used for patients who are dead on arrival and an emergency service clinician certifies the death of the patient. This includes where the clinician certifies the death outside the emergency service (e.g. in an ambulance outside the emergency service).

Exclusion: Where resuscitation of the patient is attempted, this should be recorded as an emergency presentation (Code 1).

Note: Where Code 5 is recorded for a patient, an [Emergency service stay—episode end status](#), Code 7 (Dead on arrival) should also be recorded.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Independent Hospital Pricing Authority

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Emergency service visit type code N Health](#), Superseded 20/10/2021

**Data elements implementing this value domain:** [Emergency service stay—type of visit to emergency service, code N Health](#), Standard 20/10/2021