

# Type of sentinel event code N

## Identifying and definitional attributes

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<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing types of <a href="#">sentinel events</a> .

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code																		
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<b>Format:</b>	N																		
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## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Comments:</b>	Sentinel events definitions can vary across jurisdictions.
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## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<b>Reference documents:</b>	ACSQHC (Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care) 2018. Australian sentinel events list (version 2) - Development and specifications. Canberra: ACSQHC. Viewed 22 June 2022, <a href="https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/publications-and-resources/resource-library/australian-sentinel-events-list-version-2-development-and-specifications">https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/publications-and-resources/resource-library/australian-sentinel-events-list-version-2-development-and-specifications</a>  PC (Productivity Commission) (2022) Report on Government Services. Canberra: PC. Viewed 22 June 2022, <a href="https://www.pc.gov.au/research/ongoing/report-on-government-services">https://www.pc.gov.au/research/ongoing/report-on-government-services</a>

## Relational attributes

**Data elements  
implementing this value  
domain:**

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