Type of sentinel event code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	758559
Registration status:	Health, Standard 20/12/2022
Definition:	A code set representing types of **sentinel events.**

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	1	Haemolytic blood transfusion reaction resulting from ABO (blood group) incompatibility
	2	Infant discharge to the wrong family
	3	Intravascular gas embolism resulting in death or neurological damage
	4	Maternal death associated with pregnancy, birth or puerperium
	5	Medication error leading to the death of a patient reasonably believed to be due to incorrect administration of drugs
	6	Procedures involving the wrong patient or body part resulting in death or major permanent loss of function
	7	Retained instruments or other material after surgery requiring re-operation or further surgical procedure
	8	Suicide of patient in an inpatient unit

Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	Sentinel events definitions can vary across jurisdictions.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Reference documents:	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, https://www.safetyandquality.gov.au/publications-and-resources/resource-library/australian-sentinel-events-list-version-2-development-and-specifications
	PC (Productivity Commission) (2022) Report on Government Services. Canberra: PC. Viewed 22 June 2022, https://www.pc.gov.au/research/ongoing/report-on-government-services

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [Type of sentinel event code N[N]](#) [Health](#), Standard 07/09/2023

Data elements implementing this value domain:

[Establishment—type of sentinel event, code N](#) [Health](#), Standard 20/12/2022