

Low Back Pain Clinical Care Standard: 3b-Proportion of patients with a new episode of low back pain referred for imaging for whom an appropriate indication for imaging is documented in the medical record

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Indicator
Short name:	3b-Proportion of patients with a new episode of low back pain referred for imaging for whom an appropriate indication for imaging is documented in the medical record
METEOR identifier:	759583
Registration status:	Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care , Standard 01/09/2022
Description:	Proportion of patients with a new episode of low back pain referred for imaging for whom an appropriate indication for imaging is documented in the medical record
Indicator set:	Clinical care standard indicators: Low back pain Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care , Standard 01/09/2022

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age from:	16 years of age
Computation description:	<p>The numerator and denominator include patients presenting with a new episode of low back pain.</p> <p>The locally approved policy that specifies the appropriate indications for imaging a patient with low back pain should be used to determine the inclusion of patients in the numerator.</p> <p>Presented as a percentage.</p>
Computation:	$(\text{Numerator} \div \text{Denominator}) \times 100$
Numerator:	The number of patients in the denominator where an appropriate indication for imaging was documented in their medical record.
Denominator:	The number of patients with a new episode of low back pain referred for imaging.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Percentage
Data type:	Real
Unit of measure:	Service event
Format:	N[NN]

Accountability attributes

Reporting requirements:	These indicators are for local quality improvement. Monitoring the implementation of the Low Back Pain Clinical Care Standard (ACSQHC, 2022) will assist in meeting some of the requirements of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards (ACSQHC, 2021).
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Organisation responsible for providing data:	Not applicable
Accountability:	Not applicable
Other issues caveats:	Applicable settings: Public and private hospital emergency departments and primary care settings where care is provided to patients with low back pain (including general practice).
Release date:	01/09/2022

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care
Reference documents:	Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care. Low Back Pain Clinical Care Standard. Sydney: ACSQHC; 2022