

Establishment—peer group, health code NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Health establishment peer group code
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Definition:	The category assigned to a health establishment based on shared characteristics, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Establishment—peer group
Value Domain:	Health establishment peer group code NN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	NN
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	01	Principal referral hospitals
	02	Group A hospitals
	03	Group B hospitals
	04	Group C hospitals
	05	Group D hospitals
	06	Very small hospitals
	07	Children's hospitals
	08	Women's hospitals
	09	Other women's and children's hospitals
	10	Acute psychiatric hospital's
	11	Other acute specialised hospitals
	12	Rehabilitation hospitals
	13	Mixed sub- and non-acute hospitals
	14	Dialysis clinics
	15	Endoscopy centres
	16	Eye surgery clinic
	17	Haematology & oncology clinics
	18	Mixed day procedure hospitals
	19	Oral & maxillofacial procedure centres
	20	Plastic & reconstructive surgery clinics
	21	Reproductive health centres
	22	Unpeered hospitals

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Principal referral hospitals

Principal referral hospitals are public acute hospitals that provide a very broad range of services, have a range of highly specialised service units, and have very large patient volumes. The term 'referral' recognises that these hospitals have specialist facilities not typically found in smaller hospitals.

CODE 2 Group A hospitals

Public acute group A hospitals are public acute hospitals that provide a wide range of services typically including a 24-hour emergency department, intensive care unit, coronary care unit and oncology unit, but do not provide the breadth of services provided by Principal referral hospitals.

Private acute group A hospitals are private acute hospitals that have a 24-hour emergency department and an intensive care unit, and provide a number of other specialised services such as coronary care, special care nursery, cardiac surgery and neurosurgery.

CODE 3 Group B hospitals

Public acute group B hospitals are those public acute hospitals that do not have the service profile of the Principal referral hospitals and Group A hospitals, but do have a 24-hour emergency department; they typically provide elective surgery and have specialised service units such as obstetric, paediatric and psychiatric units.

Private acute group B hospitals are private acute hospitals that do not have a 24-hour emergency department, but do have an intensive care unit and a number of other specialised services including coronary care, special care nursery, cardiac surgery and neurosurgery.

CODE 4 Group C hospitals

Public acute group C hospitals include those public acute hospitals that provide a more limited range of services than Principal referral hospitals or Public acute group A and B hospitals, but do have an obstetric unit, provide surgical services and/or some form of emergency facility (emergency department, or accident and emergency service).

Private acute group C hospitals are those private acute hospitals that do not provide emergency department services or have an intensive care unit, but do provide specialised services in a range of clinical specialities.

CODE 5 Group D hospitals

Public acute group D hospitals are acute public hospitals that offer a smaller range of services relative to the other public acute hospital groups, and provide 200 or more separations per year. They are mostly situated in regional and remote areas.

Private acute group C hospitals are those private acute hospitals that do not provide emergency department services or have an intensive care unit, but do provide specialised services in a range of clinical specialities.

CODE 6 Very small hospitals

Very small hospitals have few beds and provide care for few admitted patients. Most do not perform surgery.

CODE 7 Children's hospitals

Children's hospitals which specialise in the treatment and care of children.

CODE 8 Women's hospitals

Women's hospitals which specialise in the treatment of women.

CODE 9 Other women's and children's hospitals

Combined women's and children's hospitals which specialise in the treatment of both women and children.

CODE 10 Acute psychiatric hospitals

Acute hospitals that specialise in providing mental health services for people with a mental disorder or psychiatric disability, including some that primarily provide mental health services for specific population groups.

CODE 11 Other acute specialised hospitals

Other acute specialised hospitals are hospitals that specialise in a particular form of acute care, not grouped elsewhere.

CODE 12 Rehabilitation hospitals

Rehabilitation hospitals are hospitals that primarily provide rehabilitation and/or geriatric evaluation and management.

CODE 13 Mixed sub- and non-acute hospitals

Mixed sub- and non-acute hospitals primarily provide a mixture of subacute (rehabilitation, palliative care, geriatric evaluation and management, psychogeriatric care) and non-acute (maintenance) care.

CODE 14 Dialysis clinics

Dialysis clinics are hospitals that specialise in providing dialysis treatment on a same day basis.

CODE 15 Endoscopy centres

Endoscopy centres are hospitals that specialise in providing endoscopic procedures on a same day basis.

CODE 16 Eye surgery clinic

Eye surgery centres are hospitals that specialise in providing eye surgery on a same day basis.

CODE 17 Haematology & oncology clinics

Haematology and oncology clinics are hospitals that specialise in providing medical care on a same day basis for cancer patients and/or patients with blood disorders.

CODE 18 Mixed day procedure hospitals

Mixed day procedure hospitals are day hospitals that do not meet the service profile of any specialised day hospital peer groups described above and Other specialist day hospitals (see Other specialist day hospitals section below). Rather than having a strong focus on one specialised clinical area, these hospitals typically provide a variety of specialised services on a same day basis.

CODE 19 Oral & maxillofacial procedure centres

Oral and maxillofacial surgery centres are hospitals that specialise in providing treatment of oral and maxillofacial diseases and disorders on a same day basis.

CODE 20 Plastic & reconstructive surgery clinics

Plastic and reconstructive surgery centres are hospitals that specialise in providing reconstructive and plastic surgery on a same day basis.

CODE 21 Reproductive health centres

Reproductive health centres are hospitals that specialise in providing abortion services on a same day basis.

CODE 22 Unpeered hospitals

Unpeered hospitals are those hospitals with unique characteristics that could not be assigned to one of the peer groups.

CODE 23 Pending

Awaiting allocation to peer group from AIHW.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin: AIHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) 2015. [Australian hospital peer groups](#). Health services series no. 66. Cat. no. HSE 170. AIHW: Canberra.

Data element attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Establishment—peer group, health code A\[X\] Health](#), Standard 06/09/2023

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[National Hand Hygiene Initiative compliance rate, 2012—Health](#), Standard 06/09/2023