

Person—underlying cause of death, code (ICD-10 Third Edition) ANN-ANN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	UCOD ICD-10 Third Edition
METEOR identifier:	778802
Registration status:	Health , Qualified 03/08/2023
Definition:	The disease or injury which initiated the train of morbid events leading directly to a person's death or the circumstances of the accident or violence which produced the fatal injury, as represented by a code. (WHO 2004)
Data Element Concept:	Person—underlying cause of death
Value Domain:	Underlying cause of death code (ICD-10 Third Edition) ANN-ANN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th Revision, Third Edition
Representation class:	Code
Data type:	String
Format:	ANN-ANN
Maximum character length:	7

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Underlying cause of death is central to mortality coding and comparable international mortality reporting.

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person—underlying cause of death, code \(ICD-10 2nd edn\) ANN-ANN](#)
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