Elective surgery waiting times cluster

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Set Specification
METEOR identifier:	792047
Registration status:	Health, Recorded 26/04/2024
DSS type:	Data Element Cluster
Scope:	The scope of the Elective surgery waiting times data element cluster is patients on elective surgery waiting lists managed by public acute hospitals, in either category 1 or 2 of the data element Elective surgery waiting list episode—reason for removal from a waiting list, code N.

This will include private patients treated in public hospitals, and may include public patients treated in private hospitals.

Hospitals may also collect information for other care (as defined in the data element Elective care waiting list episode—elective care type, code N), but this is not part of the Elective surgery waiting times National minimum data set.

Patients on waiting lists managed by hospitals operated by the Australian Defence Force, corrections authorities and Australia's external territories are not currently included.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Outsourced or contracted patients:

Public hospitals managing elective surgery waiting lists may either outsource elective surgery work to another hospital (public or private) or contract another hospital (public or private) to provide elective surgery on their behalf.

In such cases, the hospital where the outsourced or contracted elective surgery occurs is required to include the Establishment—organisation identifier (Australian), NNX[X]NNNNN data element for the hospital managing the elective surgery waiting list as part of the Elective surgery waiting times data cluster.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Supersedes Elective surgery waiting times cluster Health, Standard 20/10/2022
	See also Elective care waiting list episode—elective care type, code N Health, Standard 14/10/2021
	See also Elective surgery waiting list episode—reason for removal from a waiting list, code N Health, Standard 25/01/2018
	See also Establishment—organisation identifier (Australian), NNX[X]NNNNN Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, Recorded 10/04/2024

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
-	Elective care waiting list episode—listing date for care, DDMMYYYY	Mandatory	1

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
-	Elective surgery waiting list episode—clinical urgency, code N	Mandatory	1
-	Elective surgery waiting list episode—intended procedure, code NNN	Mandatory	1
-	Elective surgery waiting list episode—overdue patient status, code N	Mandatory	1
-	Elective surgery waiting list episode—reason for removal from a waiting list, code N	Mandatory	1
-	Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty of scheduled doctor, code NN	Mandatory	1
-	Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time at removal, total days N[NNN]	Mandatory	1
-	Establishment—organisation identifier (Australian), NNX[X]NNNNN	Conditional	1

Conditional obligation:

This is the establishment identifier of the contracting hospital and is reported for contracted patients only.

Where this data element is reported, it is reported conditionally with the element Establishment—organisation identifier (Australian), NNX[X]NNNNN[NNNN].

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When reported, data must be reported for at least one of the two elements.

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