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# Number of qualified days for newborns

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NHDD  
Knowledgebase ID: 000346                      Version number: 2  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT  
Registration Authority: NHIMG                      Admin status: SUPERSEDED  
Effective date: 01-MAR-05  
Definition: The number of qualified newborn days occurring within a newborn episode of care.  
Context: Admitted patient care - newborn episodes of care only.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype: Numeric  
Representational form: QUANTITATIVE VALUE  
Representation layout: NNNNN  
Minimum Size: 1  
Maximum Size: 5

Data Domain: NOVAL              Count of the number of days

Guide For Use: The rules for calculating the number of qualified newborn days are outlined below. The number of qualified days is calculated with reference to the date of admission, date of separation and any date(s) of change to qualification status:

- the date of admission is counted if the patient was qualified at the end of the day
- the date of change to qualification status is counted if the patient was qualified at the end of the day
- the date of separation is not counted, even if the patient was qualified on that day
- the normal rules for calculation of patient days apply, for example in relation to leave and same day patients

The length of stay for a newborn episode of care is equal to the sum of the qualified and unqualified days.

Related metadata: is used in conjunction with Date of change to qualification status version 1  
supersedes previous data element Number of acute (qualified)/unqualified days for newborns version 1  
is used in conjunction with Newborn qualification status version 2  
is used in the calculation of Patient days version 3

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### *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document:

Source Organisation:

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### *Data Element Links*

*Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element*

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*Data Agreements which include this Data Element*

NMDS - Admitted patient care

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