
Agency identifier

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NCSDD
Knowledgebase ID: 000541 Version number: 2
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT CONCEPT
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Definition: The unique identifier for the establishment, which provides care or services.
Context: This element identifies the agency in which the provision of the service event occurred.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype:
Related metadata: relates to the data element concept Agency version 1

Administrative Attributes

Source Document: National Health Data Dictionary
Source Organisation: National Health Data Committee

Comments: Desirable components of a unique agency identifier include Australian State/Territory identifier, Establishment sector, and Agency number.
Currently, there is no uniform method throughout community services for the identification of agencies. However, adoption of consistent practices for allocating unique agency identifiers has the potential to enhance data comparability and utility.
It is important to note that if agencies are to communicate confidentially between one another, a unique agency identity needs to be established. The use of this item will lead to reduced duplication in reporting client activity and will enable linkage of services to one episode of care or service event.

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NCSIM

Agency characteristic

Data Agreements which include this Data Element
