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# **Data Elements**

### Satisfaction with participation

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—level of satisfaction with participation in a life area,

code N

METeOR identifier: 320216

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Definition: The degree to which a person is satisfied with their

involvement in a specified life area, as represented by a code.

Context: Human functioning and disability

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—level of satisfaction with participation in a life area

Definition: A person's level of satisfaction with their involvement in a life

area, in relation to their current life goals.

Object class: Person

Property: Level of satisfaction with participation in a life area

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

High satisfaction with participation
 Moderate satisfaction with participation
 Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with

participation

Moderate dissatisfaction with participation
 Extreme dissatisfaction with participation
 Complete restriction and dissatisfaction

Supplementary values: 8 Not specified

9 Not applicable

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item contributes to the definition of the concept

'Disability' and gives an indication of the experience of

disability for a person.

In the context of health, participation is involvement in a life situation. Participation restrictions are problems an individual

may experience in involvement in life situations.

This metadata item gives a rating of the person's degree of satisfaction with participation in a domain of life, in relation to

their current life goals. Satisfaction with participation

corresponds to the person's own perspective on their participation, and reflects their attitude to their participation in the various life areas. It is essentially a summary measure in which are embedded the concepts of choice, opportunity and importance.

CODE 0 High satisfaction with participation Used if a person is involved in the specified life situation as he or she wishes to fulfil his or her current life goals in terms of duration, frequency, manner and outcome.

CODE 1 Moderate satisfaction with participation
Used if the person is reasonably satisfied with their
participation in this life situation, in terms of duration,
frequency, manner and outcome. This could occur if one of the
criteria (duration, frequency, manner or outcome) is not
fulfilled and that criterion is not critical to the person's goals.
For example, the person does not participate in the specified life
situation as frequently as wished, but the other criteria are met
and the frequency is not so affected that it is critical to the
person's satisfaction.

CODE 2 Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with participation Used if the person is neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with their participation in this life situation, in terms of duration, frequency, manner and outcome.

CODE 3 Moderate dissatisfaction with participation Used if two or three criteria (duration, frequency, manner or outcome) are not fulfilled, but are not so badly affected, in relation to the person's goals in that life area, that the person is extremely dissatisfied. For example, a person is able to participate in work, but is placed in supported employment rather than employment in the open labour market. This is not in line with the person's goals, so that the manner and outcome of the participation are not fulfilled.

CODE 4 Extreme dissatisfaction with participation Used when all criteria (duration, frequency, manner and outcome) are not fulfilled for the specified life situation, or where any of the criteria are so badly affected in relation to the person's goals that they consider themselves to be extremely dissatisfied with this life area. An example of the latter would arise when a person is extremely dissatisfied with participation in interpersonal activities because his/her goal in terms of duration of social visits is never fulfilled, although other criteria (frequency and manner) may be fulfilled.

CODE 5 Complete restriction and dissatisfaction Used when the person does not participate in this life situation in line with his or her own goals, i.e. in an area where they wish to participate and is completely dissatisfied with not participating in this life situation.

CODE 9 Not applicable

Used when participation in a life situation is not relevant, such as employment of an infant or where there is no participation and the person has no desire to participate in this area. For example, a personal preference not to participate in specific areas of community, social and civic life such as sport or hobbies. The area may not be applicable to the person's current life goals.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) which is the

Australian Collaborating Centre for the World Health Organization Family of International Classifications.

Origin: WHO 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning,

Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO

AIHW 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra:

**AIHW** 

Reference documents: Further information on the ICF, including more detailed codes,

can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User

Guide (AIHW 2003), at the following websites:

WHO ICF website

http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en/

• Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website

http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Satisfaction with participation should be coded from the

perspective of the person. This data element should be coded in conjunction with the Person—activities and participation life area, code (ICF 2001) AN[NNN] data element. For example, a person's 'moderate satisfaction with participation in exchange

of information'.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) which is the

Australian Collaborating Centre for the World Health Organization Family of International Classifications.

### Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Activities and Participation cluster NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

Specifications: NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

### Scheduled admission date

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Admitted patient care waiting list episode—scheduled

admission date, DDMMYYYY

METeOR identifier: 269978

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The date on which it is proposed that a patient on the waiting

list will be admitted for an episode of care.

### **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Admitted patient care waiting list episode—scheduled

admission date

Definition: The date on which it is proposed that a patient on the waiting

list will be admitted for an episode of care.

Object class: Admitted patient care waiting list episode

Property: Scheduled admission date

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Date

Data type: Date/Time Format: DDMMYYYY

Maximum character length: 8

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Comments: If this metadata item were to be used to compare different

hospitals or geographical locations, it would be necessary to specify when the scheduled date is to be allocated (for example,

on addition to the waiting list).

This metadata item is required for the purposes of hospital management - allocation of beds, operating theatre time and

other resources.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Scheduled admission date, version 2, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

### Separation date

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Episode of admitted patient care—separation date,

**DDMMYYYY** 

METeOR identifier: 270025

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Date on which an admitted patient completes an episode of

care.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Episode of admitted patient care—separation date

Definition: Date on which an admitted patient completes an episode of

care.

Context: Required to identify the period in which an admitted patient

hospital stay or episode occurred and for derivation of length of

stay.

Object class: Episode of admitted patient care

Property: Separation date

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Date

Data type: Date/Time Format: DDMMYYYY

Maximum character length: 8

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Comments: There may be variations amongst jurisdictions with respect to

the recording of separation date. This most often occurs for patients who are statistically separated after a period of leave (and who do not return for further hospital care). In this case, some jurisdictions may record the separation date as the date of statistical **separation** (and record intervening days as leave days) while other jurisdictions may retrospectively separate patients on the first day of leave. Despite the variations in recording of separation date for this group of patients, the current practices provide for the accurate recording of length of

stay.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Separation date, version 5, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (including leave days), total N[NN] NHIG, Standard 04/07/2007

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (including leave days) (postnatal), total N[NN] NHIG, Standard 04/07/2007

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (excluding leave days), total N[NN] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Establishment—number of separations (financial year), total N[NNNN] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of care—number of psychiatric care days, total N[NNN] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—major diagnostic category, code (AR-DRG v5.1) NN NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (including leave days), total N[NN] NHIG, Superseded 04/07/2007

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—diagnosis related group, code (AR-DRG v5.1) ANNA NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care (postnatal)—length of stay (including leave days), total N[NN] NHIG, Superseded 04/07/2007

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Admitted patient care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Admitted patient care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this field must:

- be last day of financial year
- be first day of financial year
- be Admission date

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005
Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this field must:

- be last day of financial year
- be first day of financial year
- be Admission date

Admitted patient palliative care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005
Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2007-08 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this field must:

- be <= last day of financial year
- be >= first day of financial year
- be >= Admission date

Perinatal NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Perinatal NMDS NHIG, Superseded 06/09/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Perinatal NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 06/09/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this field must:

- be <= last day of financial year
- be >= first day of financial year
- be >= Admission date

## **Separation time**

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Episode of admitted patient care—separation time, hhmm

METeOR identifier: 270026

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Time at which an admitted patient completes an episode of

care.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Episode of admitted patient care—separation time

Definition: Time at which an admitted patient completes an episode of

care.

Context: Admitted patient care.

Object class: Episode of admitted patient care

Property: Separation time

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Time

Data type: Date/Time
Format: hhmm

Maximum character length: 4

### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats -

Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Comments: Required to identify the time of completion of the episode or

hospital stay, for calculation of length of stay.

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Separation time, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

### **Separations**

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—number of separations (financial year), total

N[NNNNN]

Synonymous names: Discharge METeOR identifier: 270407

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The total number of **separations** occurring during the reference

period. This includes both formal and statistical separations.

### **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Establishment—number of separations

Definition: The total number of **separations** occurring during the reference

period. This includes both formal and statistical separations.

Context: Admitted patient care:

Needed as the basic count of the number of **separations** from

care for an establishment.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Number of separations

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[NNNN]

Maximum character length: 6

*Unit of measure:* Separation

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: May be calculated at:

individual establishment level; or

• system (ie. state/territory) level ie. the sum of the number

of establishments.

The sum of the number of separations where the separation

date has a value:

• >= the beginning of the reference period (typically a

financial year); and

• <= the end of the reference period.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Is formed using Episode of admitted patient care—separation

date, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Supersedes Separations, version 2, Derived DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Community mental health establishments NMDS 2004-2005 NHIG, Superseded 08/12/2004

Implementation start date: 01/07/2004
Implementation end date: 30/06/2005

Mental health establishments NMDS 2005-2006 NHIG, Superseded 21/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Mental health establishments NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Mental health establishments NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

For the Mental health establishments national minimum data set, separations are only to be reported for specialised mental health services provided by private hospitals that receive state or territory government funding. That is, separations from public hospitals need not be reported.

### Service contact date

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Service contact—service contact date, DDMMYYYY

METeOR identifier: 270122

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The date of service contact between a health service provider

and patient/client.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Service contact—service contact date

Definition: The date of each service contact between a health service

provider and patient/client.

Context: Community-based mental health care and clinical settings:

The service contact is required for clinical audit and other

quality assurance purposes.

Object class: Service contact

Property: Service contact date

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Date

Data type: Date/Time Format: DDMMYYYY

Maximum character length: 8

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Requires services to record the date of each service contact,

including the same date where multiple visits are made on one day (except where the visits may be regarded as a continuation of the one service contact). Where an individual patient/client participates in a group activity, a service contact date is recorded if the person's participation in the group activity results in a dated entry being made in the patient's/client's

record.

Collection methods: For collection from community based (ambulatory and non-

residential) agencies.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Service contact date, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Person—number of service contact

dates, total N[NN] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

*Specifications:* 15/02/2006

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

 $Cardiovas cular\ disease\ (clinical)\ DSS\ NHIG,\ Standard$ 

04/07/2007

 $Community\ mental\ health\ care\ 2004-2005\ NHIG,\ Superseded$ 

08/12/2004

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2004 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2005

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005 Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

### Service mode (non-admitted patient)

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: **Data Element** 

Technical name: Non-admitted patient service event—service mode, hospital

code N{.N}

METeOR identifier: 270096

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Relative physical location of the patient, provider and the

hospital campus of the provider of a non-admitted patient

service event, as represented by a code.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Non-admitted patient service event—service mode

Definition: Relative physical location of the patient, provider and the

hospital campus of the provider of a non-admitted patient

service event.

Context: Hospital non-admitted patient care. Object class: Non-admitted patient service event

Property: Service mode

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code Data type: Number Format:  $N\{.N\}$ Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

> 1 Patient and provider in the same physical

> > location

1.1 On the hospital campus of the provider 1.2 Not on the hospital campus of the provider 2

Patient and provider not in the same physical

location, and communicating via:

2.1 Telephone 2.2 Telemedicine

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: On the hospital campus of the provider

> Patient and provider in the same physical location refers to face to face contacts. If this occurs at the hospital campus of the

provider, use code 1.1.

CODE 1.2 Not on the hospital campus of the provider

If the service event does not occur on the hospital campus of the provider (hospital-based outreach services), use code 1.2. Hospital-based outreach service events occur when the patient is treated by hospital staff in a location that is not part of the

hospital campus (such as in the patient's home or place of work).

Patient and provider not in the same physical location refers to service events delivered via a telephone call or video link (telemedicine). The provider may or may not be physically present on their hospital campus.

A service event delivered via a telephone call is included if

- it is a substitute for a face-to-face service event, and
- it is pre-arranged, and
- a record of the service event is included in the patient's medical record

A service event can be counted at each site participating via a video link.

### **Data element attributes**

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Non-admitted patient service mode, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

### Service type (non-admitted patient)

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Non-admitted patient service event—service event type

(clinical), code N[N]

METeOR identifier: 270090

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The type of clinical service provided to a non-admitted patient

in a non-admitted patient service event, as represented by a

code.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Non-admitted patient service event—service event type

(clinical)

Definition: The type of clinical service provided to a non-admitted patient

in a non-admitted patient service event.

Context: Hospital non-admitted patient care:

This definition applies to non-admitted hospital patients and is

not intended to apply to community-based services.

Object class: Non-admitted patient service event

Property: Service event type

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N[N]
Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Allied health and/or clinical nurse specialist

DentalImagingMedical

5 Obstetrics and gynaecology

6 Paediatrics
7 Pathology
8 Pharmacy
9 Psychiatric
10 Surgical

11 Emergency department

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The following provides a guide to types of clinical services that

are included in each of the categories in the data domain.

for use should be classified as one of the groups in the data domain on the basis of the type of clinical professional staff involved in providing the service event.

In paediatric hospitals, the full range of service types should be used. That is, paediatric medical should be reported as medical and paediatric surgical should be reported as surgical.

Clinical complex to a	Clinical service
Clinical service type	examples
Alle II III II II II	-
Allied health and/or clinical	Audiology
nurse specialist	Clinical pharmacy
	Diabetes education
	Neuropsychology
	Nutrition/dietetics
	Occupational therapy
	Optometry
	Orthoptics Orthotics
	Physiotherapy
	Podiatry
	Prosthetics
	Psychology
	Social work
	Speech pathology
	Stomal therapy
	Wound management
Dental	Dental
Imaging	Medical imaging
Medical	Aged care
	Alcohol and other drug
	Allergy
	Anti-coagulant
	Asthma
	Cardiology
	Clinical measurement
	Dermatology
	Dementia
	Developmental
	disabilities
	Diabetes
	Endocrine
	Epilepsy
	Falls
	Gastroenterology
	General internal
	medicine
	Genetic
	Haematology
	Hepatobiliary
	Hypertension
	Hyperbaric medicine
	Immunology Infectious diseases
	Medical oncology
	Metabolic bone
	Nephrology

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	Neurology
	Occupational medicine
	Palliative care
	Pain management
	Pulmonary
	Radiation oncology
	Rehabilitation
	Respiratory
	Rheumatology
	Spinal
	Transplants
Obstetrics and gynaecology	Family planning
8.7	Gynaecology
	Gynaecology oncology
	Obstetrics
Pathology	Pathology
Paediatrics	Adolescent health
T decide res	Neonatal
	Paediatric medicine
	Paediatric surgery
DI DI	
Pharmacy	Dispensing pharmacy
Psychiatric	Psychiatry
Surgical	Breast
	Burns
	Cardiac surgery
	Colorectal
	Craniofacial
	Ear, nose and throat
	Fracture
	General surgery
	Neurosurgery
	Ophthalmology
	Orthopaedics
	Plastic surgery
	Pre-admission
	Pre-anaesthesia
	Thoracic surgery
	Urology
	Vascular surgery

An emergency department provides triage, assessment, care and/or treatment for patients suffering from medical condition/s and/or injury.

### **Data element attributes**

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Non-admitted patient service type, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

### Sex

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—sex, code N

METeOR identifier: 287316

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006

Definition: The biological distinction between male and female, as

represented by a code.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—sex

Definition: Sex is the biological distinction between male and female.

Where there is an inconsistency between anatomical and chromosomal characteristics, sex is based on anatomical

characteristics.

Context: Sex is a core metadata item in a wide range of social, labour and

demographic statistics.

Object class: Person
Property: Sex

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Male
 Female

3 Intersex or indeterminate

Supplementary values: 9 Not stated/inadequately described

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Diagnosis and procedure codes should be checked against the

national ICD-10-AM sex edits, unless the person is undergoing, or has undergone a sex change or has a genetic condition resulting in a conflict between sex and ICD-10-AM code.

CODE 3 Intersex or indeterminate

Intersex or indeterminate, refers to a person, who because of a genetic condition, was born with reproductive organs or sex chromosomes that are not exclusively male or female or whose

sex has not yet been determined for whatever reason.

Intersex or indeterminate, should be confirmed if reported for

people aged 90 days or greater.

Comments: The definition for Intersex in Guide for use is sourced from the

ACT Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment

Act 2003.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: Australian Capital Territory 2003. Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and

Transgender) Amendment Act 2003

Reference documents: Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act

2003. See http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2003-

14/20030328-4969/pdf/2003-14.pdf.

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

Operationally, sex is the distinction between male and female, as reported by a person or as determined by an interviewer. When collecting data on sex by personal interview, asking the sex of the respondent is usually unnecessary and may be inappropriate, or even offensive. It is usually a simple matter to infer the sex of the respondent through observation, or from other cues such as the relationship of the person(s) accompanying the respondent, or first name. The interviewer may ask whether persons not present at the interview are male or female.

A person's sex may change during their lifetime as a result of procedures known alternatively as sex change, gender reassignment, transsexual surgery, transgender reassignment or sexual reassignment. Throughout this process, which may be over a considerable period of time, the person's sex could be recorded as either Male or Female.

In data collections that use the ICD-10-AM classification, where sex change is the reason for admission, diagnoses should include the appropriate ICD-10-AM code(s) that clearly identify that the person is undergoing such a process. This code(s) would also be applicable after the person has completed such a process, if they have a procedure involving an organ(s) specific to their previous sex (e.g. where the patient has prostate or ovarian cancer).

CODE 3 Intersex or indeterminate

Is normally used for babies for whom sex has not been determined for whatever reason.

Should not generally be used on data collection forms completed by the respondent.

Should only be used if the person or respondent volunteers that the person is intersex or where it otherwise becomes clear during the collection process that the individual is neither male nor female.

CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described

Is not to be used on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) National

Mortality Database 1997/98 AIHW 2001 National Diabetes Register, Statistical Profile, December 2000 (Diabetes Series No.

Reference documents: **Australian Bureau of Statistics** 

AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney:

Standards Australia

AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney:

Standards Australia

In AS4846 and AS5017 alternative codes are presented. Refer to

the current standard for more details.

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Person—sex, code N NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Superseded 31/08/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care major diagnostic category, code (AR-DRG v5.1) NN NHIG,

Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care diagnosis related group, code (AR-DRG v5.1) ANNA NHIG,

Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

07/12/2005

Admitted patient care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Admitted patient palliative care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2007-08 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS NHIG, Superseded 21/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005 Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005 Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 15/02/2006

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 04/07/2007

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 04/07/2007

Community mental health care 2004-2005 NHIG, Superseded 08/12/2004

Implementation start date: 01/07/2004 Implementation end date: 30/06/2005

Community mental health care NMDS 2005-2006 NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Community mental health care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Community mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module DSS NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

Information specific to this data set:

For data collections using the Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module DSS, only Codes 1 and 2 are collected.

For data collection using Computer Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI) it is recommended that sex be ascertained by the interviewer on the basis of information already collected or other cues such as voice or name. If the interviewer is unsure of the respondent's sex the following question may be used:

As this interview is being conducted over the phone, I need to ask are you male or female?

Male

**Female** 

(Interviewer note: If respondent provides any response that can't be categorised to male or female, terminate interview.)

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005 Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005 Health care client identification DSS NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Superseded 04/07/2007

 $Health\ care\ provider\ identification\ DSS\ NHIG,\ Standard\ 04/07/2007$ 

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 24/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005
Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Perinatal NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Perinatal NMDS NHIG, Superseded 06/09/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Perinatal NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 06/09/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Residential mental health care NMDS 2005-2006 NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Residential mental health care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Residential mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG,

### Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# Source of referral to alcohol and other drug treatment service

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—referral

source, code NN

METeOR identifier: 269946

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The source from which the person was transferred or referred

to the alcohol and other drug treatment service, as represented

by a code.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—referral

source

Definition: The source from which the person was transferred or referred

to the alcohol and other drug treatment service.

Context: Alcohol and other drug treatment services.

Object class: Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs

Property: Referral source

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: NN

Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

01 Self

Family member/friendMedical practitioner

04 Hospital

Mental health care service

Other community/health care service

Other community/health care service

08 Correctional service
09 Police diversion
10 Court diversion

98 Other

Supplementary values: 99 Not stated/inadequately described

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 03 Medical practitioner

Includes medical specialists, vocationally registered general

practitioners, vocationally registered general practitioner trainees and other primary-care medical practitioners in private practice.

CODE 04 Hospital

Includes public and private hospitals, hospitals specialising in dental, ophthalmic aids and other specialised medical or surgical care, satellite units managed and staffed by a hospital, emergency departments of hospitals, and mothercraft hospitals. Excludes psychiatric hospitals, psychiatric units and drug and alcohol units located within or operating from hospitals, and outpatient clinics (see codes 05-07).

CODE 05 Mental health care service

Includes both residential and non-residential services. Includes psychiatric hospitals and psychiatric units within and outside of hospitals.

CODE 06 Alcohol and other drug treatment service

Includes both residential and non-residential services. Includes drug and alcohol units within and outside of hospitals.

CODE 07 Other community/health care service Includes outpatient clinics and aged care facilities.

CODE 09 Police diversion

This code should be used when a person detained for a minor drug offence is formally referred to treatment by the police in order to divert the offender from the criminal justice pathway.

CODE 10 Court diversion

This code refers to the diversion of an offender into drug education, assessment and treatment at the discretion of a magistrate. This may occur at the point of bail or prior to sentencing.

CODE 98 Other

Includes persons referred under a legislative act (other than Drug *Diversion Act*) e.g. *Mental Health Act*.

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Comments: Source of referral is important in assisting in the analyses of

inter-sectoral patient/client flow and for health care planning.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs National Minimum

**Data Set Working Group** 

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Source of referral to alcohol and other drug

treatment service, version 3, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded

01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS NHIG,

Superseded 21/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005
Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS NHIG,

Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2007-2008  $\,$ 

NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

### Source of referral to public psychiatric hospital

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Episode of admitted patient care—referral source, public

psychiatric hospital code NN

METeOR identifier: 269947

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Source from which the person was transferred/referred to the

public psychiatric hospital, as represented by a code.

Context: To assist in analyses of intersectoral patient flow and health

care planning.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Episode of admitted patient care—referral source

Definition: The source from which a patient is referred for an episode of

admitted patient care.

Object class: Episode of admitted patient care

Property: Referral source

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class:CodeData type:StringFormat:NNMaximum character length:2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Private psychiatric practice
Other private medical practice
Other public psychiatric hospital
Other health care establishment

Other private hospitalLaw enforcement agency

07 Other agency

08 Outpatient department

09 Other

Supplementary values: 10 Unknown

### **Data element attributes**

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Source of referral to public psychiatric hospital,

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

version 3, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Admitted patient care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Admitted patient care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

## Specialised mental health service program type

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Specialised mental health service—admitted patient care

program type, code N

METeOR identifier: 288889

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 08/12/2004

Definition: Type of admitted patient care program provided by a

specialised mental health service, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Specialised mental health service—admitted patient care

program type

Definition: Type of admitted patient care program provided by a

specialised mental health service.

Context: Specialised mental health services.

Object class: Specialised mental health service

Property: Admitted patient care program type

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values:

Value Meaning

Acute care

2 Other

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The categorisation of the admitted patient program is based on

the principal purpose(s) of the program rather than the

classification of the individual patients.

CODE 1 Acute care

Programs primarily providing specialist psychiatric care for people with acute episodes of mental disorder. These episodes are characterised by recent onset of severe clinical symptoms of mental disorder, that have potential for prolonged dysfunction or risk to self and/or others. The key characteristic of acute services is that this treatment effort is focused on short-term treatment. Acute services may be focused on assisting people who have had no prior contact or previous psychiatric history, or individuals with a continuing mental disorder for whom there has been an acute exacerbation of symptoms. This category applies only to services with a mental health service setting of overnight admitted patient care or residential care.

CODE 2 Other

Refers to all other programs primarily providing admitted patient care.

Includes programs providing rehabilitation services that have a primary focus on intervention to reduce functional impairments that limit the independence of patients. Rehabilitation services are focused on disability and the promotion of personal recovery.

They are characterised by an expectation of substantial improvement over the short to mid-term. Patients treated by rehabilitation services usually have a relatively stable pattern of clinical symptoms.

Also includes programs providing extended care services that primarily provide care over an indefinite period for patients who have a stable but severe level of functional impairment and an inability to function independently, thus requiring extensive care and support. Patients of extended care services present a stable pattern of clinical symptoms, which may include high levels of severe unremitting symptoms of mental disorder. Treatment is focused on preventing deterioration and reducing impairment; improvement is expected to occur slowly.

## **Data element attributes**

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

This data element is used to disaggregate data on beds, activity, expenditure and staffing for admitted patient settings in mental health service units (see Specialised mental health service—service setting, code N data element).

#### Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Mental health establishments NMDS 2005-2006 NHIG, Superseded 21/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005
Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Mental health establishments NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Mental health establishments NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

Obligation condition: reporting of this data element is optional for non-government residential mental health services and specialised mental health services provided by private hospitals that receive state or territory government funding.

## Specialised mental health service setting

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Specialised mental health service—service setting, code N

METeOR identifier: 288899

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 08/12/2004

Definition: The setting for care provided by a specialised mental health

service, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Specialised mental health service—service setting

Definition: The setting for care provided by a specialised mental health

service.

Context: Specialised mental health services.

Object class: Specialised mental health service

Property: Service delivery setting

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length:

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Admitted patient care setting

Residential care settingAmbulatory care setting

Supplementary values: 9 Unknown/not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 1 Admitted patient care setting

The component of specialised mental health services that provides admitted patient care. These are specialised psychiatric hospitals and specialist psychiatric units located within hospitals that are not specialised psychiatric hospitals.

Excludes hospital outpatient clinics. CODE 2 Residential care setting

The component of specialised mental health services that provides residential care within **residential mental health services**. Excludes components that provide ambulatory care to

patients or clients who are not residents.

CODE 3 Ambulatory care setting

The component of specialised mental health services that provides ambulatory care (service contacts). They include hospital outpatient clinics and non-hospital community mental

health services, such as crisis or mobile assessment and

treatment services, day programs, outreach services and consultation/liaison services.

## **Data element attributes**

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: A single mental health service unit may provide care in more

than one setting. This data element is intended to allow staffing, resource and expenditure data related to these settings to be

identified and reported separately.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised mental health service—service delivery

setting, code N NHIG, Superseded 08/12/2004

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Community mental health establishments NMDS 2004-2005

NHIG, Superseded 08/12/2004

Implementation start date: 01/07/2004 Implementation end date: 30/06/2005

Mental health establishments NMDS 2005-2006 NHIG,

Superseded 21/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Mental health establishments NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG,

Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Mental health establishments NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG,

Standard 23/10/2006

## Specialised mental health service target population

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Specialised mental health service—target population group,

code N

METeOR identifier: 288957

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 08/12/2004

Definition: The population group primarily targeted by a specialised

mental health service, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Specialised mental health service—specialised mental health

service target population group

Definition: The population group primarily targeted by a specialised

mental health service.

Context: Specialised mental health services.

Object class: Specialised mental health service

Property: Specialised mental health service target population group

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Child and adolescent

Older personForensicGeneral

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 1 Child and adolescent

These services principally target children and young people under the age of 18 years. The classification of a service into this category requires recognition by the regional or central funding authority of the special focus of the service. These services may

include a forensic component.

CODE 2 Older person

These services principally target people in the age group of 65 years and over. The classification of a service into this category

requires recognition by the regional or central funding

authority of the special focus of the service. These services may

include a forensic component.

CODE 3 Forensic

Health services that provide services primarily for people

whose health condition has led them to commit, or be suspected of, a criminal offence or make it likely that they will reoffend without adequate treatment or containment. This includes prison-based services, but excludes services that are primarily for children and adolescents and for older people even where they include a forensic component.

CODE 4 General

These services principally target the general adult population (aged 18–64 years) but may also provide services to children, adolescents or older people. These services are those services that cannot be described as specialist child and adolescent services or services for older people. It excludes forensic services.

#### Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

This data element is used to disaggregate data on beds, activity, expenditure and staffing for admitted patient settings in mental health service units (see service setting data element).

The order of priority for coding is:

- where the forensic services are for children/adolescents or older persons these services should be coded to the category for that age group; and
- where the forensic services are for adults these services should be coded to forensic.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

#### Relational attributes

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Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

Obligation condition: reporting of this data element is optional for non-government residential mental health services and specialised mental health services provided by private hospitals that receive state or territory

government funding.

# Specialised mental health service—hours staffed

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Specialised mental health service—number of hours staffed,

average hours NN

METeOR identifier: 288877

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 08/12/2004

Definition: The average number of hours per day during which a

residential mental health service has appropriately trained staff employed on-site. Training may include formal qualifications

and/or on the job training.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Specialised mental health service—number of hours staffed

Definition: The average number of hours per day during which a

residential mental health service has appropriately trained staff employed on-site. Training may include formal qualifications

and/or on the job training.

Context: Specialised mental health services.

Object class: Specialised mental health service

Property: Number of hours staffed

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

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

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

99 Unknown/not stated/inadequately described

Unit of measure: Hour (h)

## **Data element attributes**

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Whole numbers of hours staffed (no decimals or fractions).

Valid numbers are 1 to 24.

The hours staffed provides a measure of service intensity for the reporting and analysis of staff, financial and activity data. For residential mental health services, this refers to the number of hours per day during which appropriately trained staff (either with formal qualifications and/or on the job training) are employed on site, as their normal place of employment, within the service unit. It excludes periods where the service unit is only staffed by a resident sleepover staff member or any period where staff are present but not employed on site at the

service unit.

Excludes ambulatory and admitted patient services.

Round to nearest whole hour.

Where the number of hours staffed varies by day, average the number of hours staffed over a week, including the weekend.

## Relational attributes

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# Specialised mental health service—supported public housing places

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Specialised mental health service—number of supported public

housing places, total N[N(5)]

METeOR identifier: 288945

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 08/12/2004

Definition: The total number of public housing places supported by

specialised mental health services available at 30 June, targeted to people affected by mental illness or psychiatric disability. These are places provided by the public housing authority under a formal partnership agreement with the relevant State or Territory health authority. Such agreements commit the State or Territory health authority to assist people within their homes by providing ongoing clinical and disability support, including

outreach services.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Specialised mental health service—number of supported public

housing places

Definition: The total number of public housing places supported by

specialised mental health services available at 30 June, targeted to people affected by mental illness or psychiatric disability. These are places provided by the public housing authority under a formal partnership agreement with the relevant State or Territory health authority. Such agreements commit the State or Territory health authority to assist people within their homes by providing ongoing clinical and disability support, including

outreach services.

Context: Specialised mental health services.

Object class: Specialised mental health service

Property: Supported public housing places

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Excludes residential mental health services defined as

specialised mental health services.

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class:TotalData type:NumberFormat:N[N(5)]

Maximum character length: 6

#### Source and reference attributes

Steward: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## **Data element attributes**

## **Relational attributes**

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## **Specialised service indicators**

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (transplantation

unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270443

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to organ

retrieval, transplantation and ongoing care of the transplant

recipient, is provided within an establishment.

• bone marrow

renal

heart, including heart-lung

• liver

· pancreas.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

## Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

# Specialised service indicators—acquired immune deficiency syndrome unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (acquired immune

deficiency syndrome unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270448

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the treatment

of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) patients is provided within an establishment as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

## Data element attributes

## Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—acute renal dialysis unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (acute renal

dialysis unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270435

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to dialysis of

renal failure patients requiring acute care is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

## **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—acute spinal cord injury unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (acute spinal cord

injury unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270432

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the initial

treatment and subsequent ongoing management and

rehabilitation of patients with acute spinal cord injury, largely conforming to Australian Health Minister's Advisory Council guidelines for service provision, is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Format: Naximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

## Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—alcohol and drug unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (alcohol and drug

unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270431

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a facility/service dedicated to the treatment of

alcohol and drug dependence is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

## **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

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# Specialised service indicators—bone marrow transplantation unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (bone marrow

transplantation unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 308862

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 07/09/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility for bone

marrow transplantation is provided within the establishment,

as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

## Data element attributes

## Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

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## Specialised service indicators—burns unit (level III)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (burns unit (level

III)), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270438

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the initial

treatment and subsequent rehabilitation of the severely injured burns patient (usually >10 per cent of patients body surface affected) is provided within an establishment, as represented by

a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

## **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—cardiac surgery unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (cardiac surgery

unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270434

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to operative and

peri-operative care of patients with cardiac disease is provided

within an establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

## **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

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## Specialised service indicators—clinical genetics unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (clinical genetics

unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270444

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to diagnostic and

counselling services for clients who are affected by, at risk of, or

anxious about genetic disorders, is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

## **Data element attributes**

## Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—comprehensive epilepsy centre

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (comprehensive

epilepsy centre), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270442

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to seizure

characterisation, evaluation of therapeutic regimes, pre-surgical evaluation and epilepsy surgery for patients with refractory epilepsy, is provided within an establishment, as represented

by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Yes
 No

#### Data element attributes

## Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—coronary care unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (coronary care

unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270433

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to acute care

services for patients with cardiac diseases is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

## **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

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# Specialised service indicators—diabetes unit

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (diabetes unit),

yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270449

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the treatment

of diabetics is provided within an establishment, as represented

by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

## **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—domiciliary care service

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (domiciliary care

service), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270430

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a facility/service dedicated to the provision of

nursing or other professional paramedical care or treatment and non-qualified domestic assistance to patients in their own homes or in residential institutions not part of the establishment is provided by the establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

## **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—geriatric assessment unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (geriatric

assessment unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270429

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not facilities dedicated to the Commonwealth-

approved assessment of the level of dependency of (usually) aged individuals either for purposes of initial **admission** to a long-stay institution or for purposes of reassessment of dependency levels of existing long-stay institution residents, is provided within an establishment, as represented by a code.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Yes
 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—heart, lung transplantation unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (heart, lung

transplantation unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 308866

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 07/09/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility for heart including heart

lung transplantation is provided within the establishment, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—hospice care unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (hospice care unit),

yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270427

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a facility dedicated to the provision of palliative

care to terminally ill patients is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Yes
 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—in-vitro fertilisation unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (in-vitro

fertilisation unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270441

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the

investigation of infertility provision of in-vitro fertilisation services is provided within an establishment, as represented by

a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Yes
 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—infectious diseases unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (infectious

diseases unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270447

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the treatment

of infectious diseases is provided within an establishment, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—intensive care unit (level III)

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (intensive care

unit (level III)), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270426

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the care of

paediatric and adult patients requiring intensive care and sophisticated technological support services is provided within

an establishment, as represented by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—liver transplantation unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (liver

transplantation unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 308868

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 07/09/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility for liver transplantation is

provided within the establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—maintenance renal dialysis centre

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (maintenance

renal dialysis centre), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270437

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: An indicator of a specialised facility dedicated to maintenance

dialysis of renal failure patients, as represented by a code. It may be a separate facility (possibly located on hospital grounds) or known as a satellite centre or a hospital-based facility but is not a facility solely providing training services.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Yes
 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—major plastic/reconstructive surgery unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (major

plastic/reconstructive surgery unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270439

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to general

purpose plastic and specialised reconstructive surgery, including maxillofacial, microsurgery and hand surgery, is provided within an establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—neonatal intensive care unit (level III)

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (neonatal intensive

care unit (level III)), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270436

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the care of

neonates requiring care and sophisticated technological support, is provided within an establishment, as represented by a code. Patients usually require intensive cardiorespiratory monitoring, sustained assistance ventilation, long-term oxygen

administration and parenteral nutrition.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Yes
 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—neuro surgical unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (neuro surgical

unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270446

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the surgical

treatment of neurological conditions is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Yes
 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—nursing home care unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (nursing home

care unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270428

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a facility dedicated to the provision of nursing

home care is provided within an establishment, as represented

by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—obstetric/maternity

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator

(obstetric/maternity), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270150

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the care of

obstetric/maternity patients is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—oncology unit, cancer treatment

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (oncology unit)

(cancer treatment), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270440

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to

multidisciplinary investigation, management, rehabilitation and support services for cancer patients, is provided within an establishment, as represented by a code. Treatment services

include surgery, chemotherapy and radiation.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Yes
 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—pancreas transplantation unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (pancreas

transplantation unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 308870

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 07/09/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility for pancreas

transplantation is provided within the establishment, as

represented by a code.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—psychiatric unit/ward

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (psychiatric

unit/ward), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270425

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised unit/ward dedicated to the

treatment and care of admitted patients with psychiatric, mental, or behavioural disorders, is provided within an

establishment, as represented by a code.

### Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—rehabilitation unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (rehabilitation

unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270450

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not dedicated units within recognised hospitals

which provide post-acute rehabilitation and are designed as such by the State health authorities (see metadata item Type of episode of care) are provided within an establishment, as

represented by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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# Specialised service indicators—renal transplantation unit

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (renal

transplantation unit), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 308864

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 07/09/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility for renal transplantation is

provided within the establishment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—sleep centre

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (sleep centre),

yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270445

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility linked to a sleep laboratory

dedicated to the investigation and management of sleep disorders is provided within an establishment, as represented

by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

YesNo

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

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## Specialised service indicators—specialist paediatric

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—specialised service indicator (specialist

paediatric), yes/no code N

METeOR identifier: 270424

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether or not a specialised facility dedicated to the care of

children aged 14 or less is provided within an establishment, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—specialised service indicator

Definition: Specialised services provided in establishments.

Context: Health services:

Essential to provide a broad picture of the availability of key specialised services by State and region and to assist with planning if services are over supplied in one region relative to

another.

Object class: Establishment

Property: Specialised service indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Specialised service indicators, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

21/03/2006

Specifications:

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005
Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Public hospital establishments NMDS NHIG, Superseded

Public hospital establishments NMDS NHIG, Superseded

23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Public hospital establishments NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

## Specialist private sector rehabilitation care indicator

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: **Data Element** 

Technical name: Episode of care—specialist private sector rehabilitation care

indicator, code N

METeOR identifier: 270397

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether the rehabilitation care that a patient receives from a

private hospital meets the criteria for 'Specialist private sector

rehabilitation care', as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Episode of care—specialist private sector rehabilitation care

indicator

Definition: An indicator of whether the rehabilitation care that a patient

receives from a private hospital meets the criteria for 'Specialist

private sector rehabilitation care' (as determined by the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing).

Context: Admitted and non-admitted patients receiving rehabilitation care

from a private hospital.

Object class: Episode of care

Property: Specialist private sector rehabilitation care indicator

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code Data type: Number

Ν Format: Maximum character length:

Permissible values: Value Meaning

> 1 Yes Nο

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item is a qualifier of the three 'Rehabilitation' care

types for admitted patients in private hospitals. When an admitted patient in a private hospital is receiving rehabilitation care (as defined in Hospital service—care type, code N[N].N), this metadata item should be recorded to denote whether or not that

care meets the criteria for 'specialist rehabilitation'.

These are the criteria determined by The Commonwealth

Department of Health and Ageing in respect of patients treated in

the private sector, specialist rehabilitation is:

Provided by a specialist rehabilitation unit (a separate physical space and a specialist rehabilitation team providing admitted

- patient and/or ambulatory care) meeting guidelines issued by the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing, and
- provided by a multi-disciplinary team which is under the clinical management of a consultant in rehabilitation medicine or equivalent, and
- provided for a person with limited functioning (impairments, activity limitations and participation restrictions) and for whom there is a reasonable expectation of functional gain, and
- for whom the primary treatment goal is improvement in functioning status which is evidenced in the medical record by: an individualised and documented initial and periodic assessment of functional ability, or
  - an individualised multi-disciplinary rehabilitation plan which includes agreed rehabilitation goals and indicative timeframes.

Comments:

This metadata item has been developed by the Private Rehabilitation Working Group, and agreed by the private rehabilitation hospital sector, the private health insurance sector and the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing. Whilst most patients will be treated by a consultant in rehabilitation medicine (a Fellow of the Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine) there are circumstances in which the treating doctor will not be a Fellow of the Faculty. These include, but are not limited to, care provided in geographic areas where there is a shortage of Fellows of the Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Private Rehabilitation Working Group

Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing

## Staging basis of cancer

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Cancer staging—staging basis of cancer, code A

METeOR identifier: 296981

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The timing and evidence for T, N and M cancer stage values, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Cancer staging—staging basis of cancer

Definition: The timing and evidence for T, N and M cancer stage values.

Context: For survival analysis adjusted by stage at diagnosis and

distribution of cancer cases by type and stage.

Object class: Cancer staging

Property: Staging basis of cancer

#### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: String
Format: A
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

P Pathological
C Clinical

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE P Pathological

Pathological stage is based on histological evidence acquired before treatment, supplemented or modified by additional evidence acquired from surgery and from pathological

examination.

CODE C Clinical

Clinical stage is based on evidence obtained prior to treatment from physical examination, imaging, endoscopy, biopsy, surgical exploration or other relevant examinations.

Refer to the latest edtion of the UICC reference manual TNM  $\,$ 

Classification of Malignant Tumours for coding rules.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: From information provided by the treating doctor and recorded

on the patient's medical record.

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Specifications: Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

## Staging scheme source

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Cancer staging—cancer staging scheme source, code N

METeOR identifier: 296988

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The reference which describes in detail the methods of staging

and the definitions for the classification system used in determining the extent of cancer at the time of diagnosis, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Cancer staging—cancer staging scheme source

Definition: The reference which describes in detail the methods of staging

and the definitions for the classification system used in determining the extent of cancer at the time of diagnosis.

For survival analysis adjusted by stage at diagnosis and

distribution of cancer cases by type and stage.

Object class: Cancer staging

Property: Cancer staging scheme source

## Value domain attributes

Context:

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours

(UICC)

2 Durie & Salmon for multiple myeloma staging

3 FAB for leukaemia classification

4 Australian Clinico-Pathological Staging (ACPS)

System

8 Other

Supplementary values: 9 Unknown

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Durie BGM, Salmon SE. A clinical staging system for multiple

myeloma correlation of measured myeloma cell mass with presenting clinical features, response to treatment and survival. Cancer 36:842-

54 (1975).

Bennett JM, Catovsky D, Daniel MT, Flandrin G, Galton DA, Gralnick HR, Sultan C. *Proposed revised criteria for the classification of acute myeloid leukemia: a report of the French-American-British Cooperative Group.* Ann Intern Med 103(4): 620-

625 (1985).

Cheson BD, Cassileth PA, Head DR, Schiffer CA, Bennett JM, Bloomfield CD, Brunning R, gale RP, Grever MR, Keating MJ, et al. *Report of the National Cancer Institute-sponsored workshop on definitions of diagnosis and response in acute myeloid leukemia.* J Clin Oncol 8(5): 813-819 (1990).

Davis NC, Newland RC. The reporting of colorectal cancer: the Australian Clinicopathological Staging system. Aust NZ J Surg 52:395-397 (1982).

Public Health Division *NSW Clinical Cancer Data Collection for Outcomes and Quality. Data Dictionary Version 1* Sydney NSW Health Dept (2001).

NHMRC Guidelines for the prevention, early detection and management of colorectal cancer (CRC) (1999)).

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

It is recommended that the TNM Manual of the UICC be used whenever it is applicable. The classifications published in the American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) Cancer Staging Manual are identical to the TNM classifications of the UICC. TNM is not applicable to all tumour sites. Staging is of limited use in acute leukaemias, although a staging system is used for chronic lymphocytic leukaemia. Separate staging systems exist for lymphomas and myeloma. The NHMRC Guidelines for the prevention, early detection and management of colorectal cancer (CRC) support the use of the Australian Clinico-Pathological Staging (ACPS) System. A table of correspondences between ACPS and TNM classifications is available.

The current edition of each staging scheme should be used.

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: International Union Against Cancer (UICC).

FAB (French-American-British) Group.

NSW Health Department.

National Health & Medical Research Council. Clinical Oncological Society of Australia.

Australian Cancer Network.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Staging scheme source, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

See also Cancer staging—cancer staging scheme source edition

number, code N[N] NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Implementation in Data Set Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Sup

Specifications:

Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005 Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Conditional obligation:

Recorded if the recommended data standard is not used, e.g. the recommended standard specifies the 6th edition, but the 5th edition is used; or if another classification (not

the TNM) is used to stage the cancer, e.g. FAB for

leukaemia classification is used.

## Staging scheme source edition number

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Cancer staging—cancer staging scheme source edition number,

code N[N]

METeOR identifier: 297011

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The edition of the reference used for the purposes of staging the

cancer, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Cancer staging—cancer staging scheme source edition number

Definition: The edition of the reference used for the purposes of staging the

cancer.

Context: For survival analysis adjusted by stage at diagnosis and

distribution of cancer cases by type and stage.

Object class: Cancer staging

Property: Cancer staging scheme source edition number

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N[N]

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

Not applicable (Cases that do not have a

recommended staging scheme)

99 Unknown edition

## Collection and usage attributes

*Guide for use:* Record the edition number (i.e. 1 - 87).

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

#### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: Commission on Cancer, Standards of the Commission on

Cancer Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS)

Volume II (1998).

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Staging scheme source edition number, version 1,

DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Specifications:

Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Conditional obligation:

Recorded if the recommended data standard is not used, e.g. the recommended standard specifies the 6th edition, but the 5th edition is used; or if another classification (not the TNM) is used to stage the cancer, e.g. FAB for leukaemia classification is used.

## State/Territory of birth

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Birth event—state/territory of birth, code N

METeOR identifier: 270151

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The state/territory in which the baby was delivered, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Birth event—state/territory of birth

Definition: The state/territory in which the baby was delivered.

Object class: Birth event

Property: State/territory of birth

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 New South Wales

VictoriaQueensland

4 South Australia5 Western Australia

6 Tasmania

7 Northern Territory

8 Australian Capital Territory

9 Other territories (Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island and Jervis Bay Territory)

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The order presented here is the standard for the Australian

Bureau of Statistics (ABS). Other organisations (including the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) publish data in state order based on population (that is, Western Australia before South Australia and Australian Capital Territory before

Northern Territory).

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 2005. Australian Standard

Geographical Classification (ASGC). Cat. no. 1216.0. Canberra:

ABS. Viewed on 30/09/2005

### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes State/Territory of birth, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Health care client identification NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005

Implementation start date: 01/01/2003

Health care client identification DSS NHIG, Standard

04/05/2005

Perinatal NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Perinatal NMDS NHIG, Superseded 06/09/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Perinatal NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 06/09/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

## Status of the baby

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Birth—birth status, code N

METeOR identifier: 269949

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The status of the baby at birth as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Birth—birth status

Definition: Status of the baby at birth.

Context: Perinatal statistics

Object class: Birth

*Property:* Birth status

### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Live birth

2 Stillbirth (fetal death)

Supplementary values: 9 Not stated

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Live birth is the complete expulsion or extraction from its

mother of a product of conception, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy which, after such separation, breathes or shows any other evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached; each product of such a birth is

considered liveborn (WHO, 1992 definition).

Stillbirth is a fetal death prior to the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception of 20 or more completed weeks of gestation or of 400 g or more birthweight; the death is indicated by the fact that after such separation the fetus does not breathe or show any other evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles. (This is the same as the WHO definition of fetal death, except that there are no limits of gestational age or birthweight for the

WHO definition.)

#### Source and reference attributes

Problems, 10th Revision, Vol 1, WHO 1992.

### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Status of the baby, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

 $Implementation\ in\ Data\ Set$ 

Specifications:

Perinatal NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Perinatal NMDS NHIG, Superseded 06/09/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Perinatal NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 06/09/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007 Information specific to this data set:

Essential to analyse outcome of pregnancy.

## Street name (person)

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person (address)—street name, text [A(30)]

METeOR identifier: 270019

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Definition: The concatenation of a person's street type and street suffix

resulting in a name that identifies a public thoroughfare and differentiates it from others in the same suburb/town/locality,

as represented by text.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Person (address)—street name

Definition: The concatenation of a person's street type and street suffix

resulting in a name that identifies a public thoroughfare and differentiates it from others in the same suburb/town/locality.

Object class: Person
Property: Street name

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Text

Data type: String

Format: [A(30)]

Maximum character length: 30

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: To be used in conjunction with street type. To be used in

conjunction with street suffix.

Comments: Where suburb/town/locality, state/territory and Postcode -

Australian are insufficient to assign a Statistical Local Area (SLA) code from the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (Australian Bureau of Statistics, Cat. No. 1216.0), the Street name metadata item in conjunction with street type, house/property identifier and street suffix should also be used.

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: Health Data Standards Committee

Australia Post Address Presentation Standard

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Street name, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Person (address)—address line, text

[X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard

30/09/2005

Is used in the formation of Person (address)—health address

line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005

Health care client identification DSS NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Superseded  $04 \slash 07 \slash 2007$ 

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Standard 04/07/2007

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

## Street name (service provider organisation)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Service provider organisation (address)—street name, text

[A(30)]

METeOR identifier: 290218

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Definition: The concatenation of an organisation's street type and street

suffix resulting in a name that identifies a public thoroughfare

and differentiates it from others in the same suburb/town/locality, as represented by text.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Service provider organisation (address)—street name

Definition: The concatenation of an organisation's street type and street

suffix resulting in a name that identifies a public thoroughfare

and differentiates it from others in the same

suburb/town/locality.

Object class: Service provider organisation

Property: Street name

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Text

Data type: String

Format: [A(30)]

Maximum character length: 30

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: To be used in conjunction with street type. To be used in

conjunction with street suffix.

Comments: Where suburb/town/locality, state/territory and Postcode -

Australian are insufficient to assign a Statistical Local Area (SLA) code from the Australian Standard Geographical

Classification (Australian Bureau of Statistics, Cat. No. 1216.0), the Street name metadata item in conjunction with street type, house/property identifier and street suffix should also be used.

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: Health Data Standards Committee

Australia Post Address Presentation Standard

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of Service provider organisation

(address)—address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Superseded  $04 \slash 07 \slash 2007$ 

 $Health\ care\ provider\ identification\ DSS\ NHIG,\ Standard\ 04/07/2007$ 

## Street suffix code (person)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person (address)—street suffix, code A[A]

METeOR identifier: 270022

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Definition: The abbreviated suffix that identifies the type of street where a

person resides, as represented by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Person (address)—street suffix

Definition: The abbreviated suffix that identifies the type of street where a

person resides.

Object class: Person
Property: Street suffix

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: A[A]

Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

CN Central E East

EX

LR Lower
N North
NE North East
NW North West
S South
SE South East
SW South West

Extension

UP Upper W West

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: To be used in conjunction with street name. To be used in

conjunction with street type.

For example: Browns Rd W

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post

**Address Presentation Standard** 

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Street suffix code, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Person (address)—address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard

30/09/2005

Is used in the formation of Person (address)—health address

line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Health care client identification DSS NHIG, Standard

04/05/2005

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

## Street suffix code (service provider organisation)

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Service provider organisation (address)—street suffix, code

A[A]

METeOR identifier: 290170

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Definition: The abbreviated suffix that identifies the type of street where an

organisation is located, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Service provider organisation (address)—street suffix

Definition: The abbreviated suffix that identifies the type of street where an

organisation is located.

Object class: Service provider organisation

Property: Street suffix

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: String
Format: A[A]
Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

CN Central E East

EX Extension
LR Lower
N North
NE North East
NW North West
S South

SE South East
SW South West
UP Upper
W West

## **Data element attributes**

#### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: To be used in conjunction with street name. To be used in

conjunction with street type.

For example:

#### Browns Rd W

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post

**Address Presentation Standard** 

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of Service provider organisation

(address)—address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard

04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

## Street type code (person)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person (address)—street type, code A[AAA]

METeOR identifier: 270020

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Definition: The type of public thoroughfare where a person resides, as

represented by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Person (address)—street type

*Definition:* The type of public thoroughfare where a person resides.

Object class: Person
Property: Street type

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: A[AAA]

Maximum character length: 4

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The following is a list of commonly used abbreviations from AS

4590:

Link

Street type Abbreviation

Alley Ally Arcade Arc Avenue Ave Boulevard Bvd **Bypass** Bypa Circuit Cct Close Cl Corner Crn Court Ct Crescent Cres Cul-de-sac Cds Drive Dr **Esplanade** Esp Green Grn Grove Gr Highway Hwy Junction Jnc Lane Lane

Link

Mews Mews Parade Pde Place Pl Ridge Rdge Rd Road Square Sq Street St Tce **Terrace** 

#### **Data element attributes**

## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Standards Australia

Origin: Health Data Standards Committee

AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post

**Address Presentation Standard** 

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Street type code, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Person (address)—address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard

30/09/2005

Is used in the formation of Person (address)—health address

line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Health care client identification DSS NHIG, Standard

04/05/2005

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

## Street type code (service provider organisation)

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Service provider organisation (address)—street type, code

A[AAA]

METeOR identifier: 290193

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Definition: The type of public thoroughfare where an organisation is

located, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Service provider organisation (address)—street type

Definition: The type of public thoroughfare where an organisation is

located.

Object class: Service provider organisation

Property: Street type

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: A[AAA]

Maximum character length: 4

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The following is a list of commonly used abbreviations from AS

4590:

Street type Abbreviation Alley Ally Arcade Arc Avenue Ave **Boulevard** Bvd **Bypass** Bypa Circuit Cct Close Cl Corner Crn

Court Ct Crescent Cres Cul-de-sac Cds Drive Dr Esplanade Esp Green Grn Grove Gr Highway Hwy

**Jnc** 

Junction

Lane Lane Link Link Mews Mews Pde Parade Place Pl Ridge Rdge Road Rd Square Sq Street St Tce Terrace

### Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: To be collected in conjunction with street name. To be collected

in conjunction with street suffix.

## Source and reference attributes

Origin: AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post

**Address Presentation Standard** 

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of Service provider organisation

(address)—address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard

04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

## Suburb/town/locality name (person)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person (address)—suburb/town/locality name, text [A(50)]

METeOR identifier: 287326

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005

Definition: The full name of the locality contained within the specific

address of a person, as represented by text.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person (address)—suburb/town/locality name

Definition: The full name of the locality contained within the specific

address of a person.

Context: In conjunction with the postcode, the data element

Suburb/town/locality name is included as an alternative means of reporting information about the geographic location of the residence of a client, or an agency/establishment or where an event occurred. The preferred standard for reporting this information is by using a statistical local area (SLA) in conjunction with a State/Territory code. However, as some agencies may have difficulty allocating SLA codes to the residential locations of their clients without more computerised

residential locations of their clients without more computerised assistance than is currently available to them, agencies may be given the option of reporting this information by using Australian postcode plus Suburb/town/locality name.

Suburb/town/locality name may also be a component of a

postal address.

Object class: Person

Property: Suburb/town/locality name

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Text

Data type: String

Format: [A(50)]

Maximum character length: 50

## **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The suburb/town/locality name may be a town, city, suburb or

commonly used location name such as a large agricultural

property or Aboriginal community.

This metadata item may be used to describe the location of person. It can be a component of a street or postal address. The Australian Bureau of Statistics has suggested that a

maximum field length of 50 characters should be sufficient to

record the vast majority of locality names.

Collection methods: Enter 'Unknown' when the locality name or geographic area for

a person or event is not known. Enter 'No fixed address' when a

person has no fixed address or is **homeless**.

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Reference documents: AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney:

Standards Australia

AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney:

Standards Australia

Australia Post 2005. Australia Postcode File.

Viewed 12 April, www.auspost.com.au/postcodes

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Person (address)—suburb/town/locality name,

text [A(50)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005, NCSIMG,

Superseded 25/08/2005

Is used in the formation of Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier, {N(8)} NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG,

Standard 25/08/2005

Is used in the formation of Dwelling—geographic location, remoteness structure code (ASGC 2004) N[N] NHDAMG,

Retired 10/02/2006

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module

DSS NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

Information specific to this data set:

For data collection using Computer Assisted Telephone

Interviewing (CATI), the suggested question is: What is your suburb, town or community?

(Single response)

Enter town/suburb/community.

Health care client identification DSS NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

Information specific to this data set:

This data should be verified against the Australia Post

Postcode File (see

www.auspost.com.au/postcodes). Alternatively, contact

State or Territory

Health Authorities for Postcode files.

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Standard 04/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

This data should be verified against the Australia Post

Postcode File (see

www.auspost.com.au/postcodes). Alternatively, contact

State or Territory

Health Authorities for Postcode files.

# Suburb/town/locality name (service provider organisation)

#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Service provider organisation (address)—suburb/town/locality

name, text [A(50)]

METeOR identifier: 290059

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005

Definition: The full name of the general locality containing the specific

address of an organisation, as represented by text.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Service provider organisation (address)—suburb/town/locality

name

Definition: The full name of the general locality containing the specific

address of an organisation.

Context: In conjunction with the data element Postcode-Australian, the

data element Suburb/town/locality name is included as an

alternative means of reporting information about the

geographic location of an agency/establishment. The preferred standard for reporting this information is by using a statistical local area (SLA) in conjunction with a State/Territory code. Suburb/town/locality name may also be a component of a

postal address.

Object class: Service provider organisation

Property: Suburb/town/locality name

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Text

Data type: String

Format: [A(50)]

Maximum character length: 50

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The suburb/town/locality name, may be a town, city, suburb

or commonly used location name such as a large agricultural

property or Aboriginal community.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics has suggested that a maximum field length of 50 characters should be sufficient to

record the vast majority of locality names.

This metadata item may be used to describe the location of an

organisation. It can be a component of a street or postal

address.

Collection methods: Enter 'Unknown' when the locality name or geographic area for

an organisation is not known.

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Australia Post 2005. Australia Postcode File. Viewed 12 April

www.auspost.com.au/postcodes

Reference documents: AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney:

Standards Australia

AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney:

Standards Australia

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of Service provider organisation

(address)—postal delivery point identifier, {N(8)} NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005

 $Implementation\ in\ Data\ Set$ 

Specifications:

 $Health\ care\ provider\ identification\ DSS\ NHIG,\ Superseded$ 

04/07/2007

Health care provider identification DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

This data should be verified against the Australia Post Postcode File (see www.auspost.com.au/postcodes). Alternatively, contact State or Territory Health Authorities

for Postcode files.

## **Surgical specialty**

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty (of

scheduled doctor), code NN

METeOR identifier: 270146

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The area of clinical expertise held by the doctor who will

perform the elective surgery, as represented by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty (of

scheduled doctor)

Definition: The area of clinical expertise held by the doctor who will

perform the elective surgery.

Context: Elective surgery:

Many hospitals manage their waiting lists on a specialty basis. Current data shows that the total ready-for-care times waited and numbers of long wait patients vary significantly between specialties. Furthermore, the hospital capacity to handle the

demand for elective surgery varies with specialty.

Object class: Elective surgery waiting list episode

Property: Surgical specialty

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

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

Permissible values: Value Meaning

01 Cardio-thoracic surgery

Ear, nose and throat surgery

03 General surgery
04 Gynaecology
05 Neurosurgery
06 Ophthalmology
07 Orthopaedic surge

07 Orthopaedic surgery

08 Plastic surgery

09 Urology

10 Vascular surgery

1 Other

## Collection and usage attributes

Comments: The above classifications are consistent with the Recommended

Medical Specialties and Qualifications agreed by the National Specialist Qualification Advisory Committee of Australia, September 1993. Vascular surgery is a subspecialty of general surgery. The Royal Australian College of Surgeons has a training program for vascular surgeons. The specialties listed above refer to the surgical component of these specialties - ear, nose and throat surgery refers to the surgical component of the specialty otolaryngology; gynaecology refers to the gynaecological surgical component of obstetrics and

gynaecology; ophthalmology refers to the surgical component of the specialty (patients awaiting argon laser phototherapy are

not included).

#### **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Hospital Access Program Waiting Lists Working Group

Waiting Times Working Group

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Surgical specialty, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS NHIG,

Standard 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 30/09/2006

Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS NHIG,

Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 30/09/2002 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS NHIG,

Standard 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006

Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS NHIG,

Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2002 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

## Surgical treatment procedure for cancer

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Cancer treatment—surgical procedure for cancer, procedure

code (ACHI 5th edn) NNNNN-NN

METeOR identifier: 333816

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Definition: The surgical procedure used in the primary treatment of the

cancer, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Cancer treatment—surgical procedure for cancer

Definition: The surgical procedure used in the primary treatment of the

cancer.

Object class: Cancer treatment

Property: Surgical procedure for cancer

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Classification scheme: Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) 5th

edition

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: NNNNN-NN

Maximum character length: 7

## **Data element attributes**

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Each surgical treatment procedure used in the initial treatment

of the cancer should be recorded. Surgical procedures

performed for palliative purposes only should not be included. For surgical procedures involved in the administration of another modality (eg., implantation of infusion pump, isolated limb parfusion/infusion, intra-operative radiotherapy) record

both the surgery and the other modality.

Any systemic treatment which can be coded as a procedure through ACHI should be so coded (eg., stem cell or bone

marrow infusion).

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Cancer Control Initiative

Origin: National Centre for Classification in Health

New South Wales Department of Health, Public Health

Division

Reference documents: NSW Department of Health NSW Clinical Cancer Data

Collection for Outcomes and Quality. Data Dictionary Version 1 (2001).

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Cancer treatment—surgical procedure for cancer,

procedure code (ICD-10-AM 4th edn) NNNNN-NN NHIG,

Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Information specific to this data set:

This item is collected for determining outcome by

treatment type.

# Systemic therapy agent name

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Cancer treatment—systemic therapy agent name (primary

cancer), antineoplastic drug code (Self-Instructional Manual for

Tumour Registrars Book 8 3rd edn) X[X(39)]

METeOR identifier: 288446

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The chemotherapeutic agent or anti-cancer drug used for

treatment of the primary cancer, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Cancer treatment—systemic therapy agent name (primary

cancer)

Definition: The standard chemotherapeutic agent or anti-cancer drug used

for treatment of the primary cancer.

Object class: Cancer treatment

Property: Systemic therapy agent name

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Classification scheme: Self-Instructional Manual for Tumour Registrars Book 8

Antineoplastic Drugs, 3rd edition

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: X[X(39)]

Maximum character length: 40

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The purpose of collecting specific treatment information is to

account for all treatment types, which may assist in evaluation of effectiveness of different treatment patterns. The actual

agents used will sometimes be of interest.

Systemic therapy often involves treatment with a combination of agents. These may be known by acronyms but since details of drugs and acronyms may vary it is recommended that each

agent be recorded separately.

Oral chemotherapy normally given on an outpatient basis

should also be included.

New codes and names will need to be added as new agents

become available for clinical use.

Hormone therapy agents and immunotherapy agents should be

recorded under this data element.

Collection methods: The full name of the agent(s) should be recorded if the coding

manual is not available.

Comments: Collecting dates for systemic therapy will allow evaluation of

treatments delivered and of time intervals from diagnosis to treatment, from treatment to recurrence and from treatment to

death.

## Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Cancer Institute Surveillance, Epidemiology and End

Results (SEER) Program

Reference documents: Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) Program

Self-instructional manual for tumour registrars: Book 8 - Antineoplastic drugs 3rd Edition National Cancer Institute.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Systemic therapy agent name, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005 Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Information specific to this data set:

This item is collected for the analysis of outcome by

treatment type.

# **Teaching status**

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Establishment—teaching status (university affiliation), code N

METeOR identifier: 270148

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: An indicator to identify the non-direct patient care activity of

teaching for a particular establishment, as represented by a

code.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Establishment—teaching status (university affiliation)

Definition: An indicator (yes / no) to identify the non-direct patient care

activity of teaching for a particular establishment. This is where teaching (associated with a university) is a major program activity of the establishment. It is primarily intended to relate to teaching hospitals affiliated with universities providing undergraduate medical education as advised by the relevant

state health authority.

Context: Health services:

The non-direct care activity of teaching can involve the consumption of considerable resources. In comparisons of cost in relation to establishment output, it is important to be aware of particular establishments which are devoting substantial resources to activities not relating to output as measured in terms of either in-patient bed days or outpatient occasions of service. Teaching can be one of the variables in any regression

analysis undertaken.

Object class: Establishment
Property: Teaching status

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes 2 No

Supplementary values: 9 Unknown

## **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: In this context, teaching relates to teaching hospitals affiliated

with universities providing undergraduate medical education as advised by the relevant state health authority.

Comments:

The initial intention based on the Taskforce on National Hospital Statistics approach had been to have non-direct care activity indicators for all of the following non-direct patient care activities:

- teaching
- research
- group or community contacts
- public health activities
- mobile centre and/or part-time service.

However, the Resources Working Party decided to delete 2, 3, 4 and 5 and place the emphasis on teaching where teaching (associated with a university) was a major program activity of the hospital. The working party took the view that it was extremely difficult to identify research activities in health institutions because many staff consider that they do research as part of their usual duties. The research indicator was thus deleted and the teaching indicator was agreed to relate to teaching hospitals affiliated with universities providing undergraduate medical education, as advised by the relevant state health authority. If a teaching hospital is identified by a Yes/no indicator then it is not necessary to worry about research (based on the assumption that if you have teaching, you have research).

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Teaching status, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Public hospital establishments NMDS NHIG, Superseded 21/03/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Public hospital establishments NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Public hospital establishments NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# **Telephone number**

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

*Technical name:* Person—telephone number, text [X(40)]

METeOR identifier: 270266

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The person's contact telephone number, as represented by text.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—telephone number

Definition: Person contact telephone number.

Object class: Person

Property: Telephone number

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Text
Data type: String
Format: [X(40)]
Maximum character length: 40

## **Data element attributes**

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: More than one phone number may be recorded as required.

Each phone number should have an appropriate telephone number type code assigned. Record the full phone number (including any prefixes) with no punctuation (hyphens or

brackets).

Collection methods: Prefix plus telephone number:

Record the prefix plus telephone number. The default should be the local prefix with an ability to overtype with a different

prefix.

For example, 08 8226 6000 or 0417 123456.

Punctuation:

Do not record punctuation.

For example, (08) 8226 6000 or 08-8226 6000 would not be

correct. Unknown:

Leave the field blank.

Comments: Concerned with the use of person identification data. For

organisations that create, use or maintain records on people. Organisations should use this standard, where appropriate, for collecting data when registering people. The positive and unique identification of people is a critical event in service

delivery, with direct implications for the safety and quality of care delivered by health and community services.

## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Standards Australia

Origin: National Health Data Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Standards Australia 2002. Australian Standard AS5017-2002 Health Care Client Identification. Sydney: Standards Australia

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Telephone number, version 2, DE, Int. NCSDD &

NHDD, NCSIMG & NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Health care client identification NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005

Implementation start date: 01/01/2003 Information specific to this data set:

Numbers and spaces only.

# Telephone number type

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person (telephone)—telephone number type, code A

METeOR identifier: 270299

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The type of telephone number recorded for a person, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person (telephone)—telephone number type

Definition: The type of telephone number recorded for a person.

Object class: Person

Property: Telephone number type

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: String
Format: A
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

B Business or work

H Home

M Personal mobile

N Contact number (not own)
O Business or work mobile

T Temporary

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Where more than one telephone number has been recorded,

then each telephone number should have the appropriate

telephone number type code assigned.

Comments: Concerned with the use of person identification data. For

organisations that create, use or maintain records on people. Organisations should use this standard, where appropriate, for collecting data when registering people. The positive and unique identification of people is a critical event in service delivery, with direct implications for the safety and quality of

care delivered by health and community services.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Standards Australia

Origin: National Health Data Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Reference documents: Standards Australia 2002. Australian Standard AS5017-2002

Health Care Client Identification. Sydney: Standards Australia

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Telephone number type, version 2, DE, Int. NCSDD

& NHDD, NCSIMG & NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Health care client identification NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005

# Time creatine kinase MB isoenzyme measured

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: **Data Element** 

Technical name: Person—creatine kinase myocardial band isoenzyme measured

METeOR identifier: 285179

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The time at which the person's creatine kinase myocardial band

(CK-MB) isoenzyme was measured.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—creatine kinase myocardial band isoenzyme measured

time

Definition: The time at which the person's creatine kinase myocardial band

(CK-MB) isoenzyme was measured.

Context: Health care and clinical settings.

Object class:

Property: Creatine kinase myocardial band isoenzyme measured time

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Time Data type: Date/Time

Format: hhmm

Maximum character length:

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: ISO 8601:2000: Data elements and interchange formats -

Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record the time in 24-hour clock format.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Acute coronary syndrome data working group

Steward: The National Heart Foundation of Australia and The Cardiac

Society of Australia and New Zealand

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Time creatine kinase MB isoenzyme (CK-MB)

measured, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

# Time of first angioplasty balloon inflation or stenting

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—first angioplasty balloon inflation or stenting time,

hhmm

METeOR identifier: 285191

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The time of the first angioplasty balloon inflation or stent

placement.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—first angioplasty balloon inflation or stenting time

Definition: The time of the first angioplasty balloon inflation or stent

placement.

Context: Health care and clinical settings.

Object class: Person

Property: First angioplasty balloon inflation or stenting time

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Time

Data type: Date/Time
Format: hhmm

Maximum character length: 4

## Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats -

Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

### Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Acute coronary syndrome data working group

Steward: The National Heart Foundation of Australia and The Cardiac

Society of Australia and New Zealand

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Time of first angioplasty balloon inflation or

stenting, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded

01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

07/12/2005

Information specific to this data set:

For Acute coronary syndrome (ACS) reporting, refers to

coronary arteries.

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

# Time of intravenous fibrinolytic therapy

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—intravenous fibrinolytic therapy time, hhmm

METeOR identifier: 28520

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The time intravenous (IV) fibrinolytic therapy was first

administered to a person.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—intravenous fibrinolytic therapy time

Definition: The time intravenous (IV) fibrinolytic therapy was first

administered.

Object class: Person

Property: Intravenous fibrinolytic therapy time

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Time

Data type: Date/Time
Format: hhmm

Maximum character length: 4

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats -

Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: If initiated by a bolus dose whether in a pre-hospital setting,

emergency department or inpatient unit/ward, the time the

initial bolus was administered should be reported.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Acute coronary syndrome data working group

Steward: The National Heart Foundation of Australia and The Cardiac

Society of Australia and New Zealand

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Time of intravenous fibrinolytic therapy, version 1,

DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

Specifications:

07/12/2005
Information specific to this data set:

For Acute coronary syndrome (ACS) reporting, refers to

coronary arteries. Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

# Time of triage

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—

triage time, hhmm

METeOR identifier: 313817

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Definition: The time at which the patient is **triaged**.

Context: Emergency Department care.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—

triage time

Definition: The time at which the patient is triaged.

Context: Emergency Department care.

Object class: Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode

Property: Triage time

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Time

Data type: Date/Time
Format: hhmm

Maximum character length: 4

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats -

Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: Collected in conjunction with non-admitted patient emergency

department service episode—triage date.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Triage—triage time, hhmm NHIG, Superseded

07/12/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

07/12/2005

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

NHIG, Superseded 24/03/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2007-

2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# Time patient presents

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Health service event—presentation time, hhmm

METeOR identifier: 270080

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The time at which the patient presents for the delivery of a

service.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Health service event—presentation time

Definition: The time at which the patient presents for the delivery of a

service.

Context: Admitted patient care.

Community health care.

Hospital non-admitted patient care:

Required to identify commencement of a visit and for

calculation of waiting times.

Object class: Health service event
Property: Presentation time

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Time

Data type: Date/Time
Format: hhmm

Maximum character length: 4

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats -

Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: For community health care, outreach services and services

provided via telephone or telehealth, this may be the time at which the service provider presents to the patient or the

telephone/telehealth session commences.

The time of patient presentation at the **emergency department** is the earliest occasion of being registered clerically or triaged.

The time that the patient presents is not necessarily:

- the listing time for care (see listing date for care for an analogous concept), nor
- the time at which care is scheduled to be provided, nor
- the time at which commencement of care actually occurs

(for admitted patients see admission time, for hospital non-admitted patient care and community health care see service commencement time).

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Institution Based Ambulatory Model Reference Group

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Time patient presents, version 2, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—waiting time (to service delivery),

total minutes NNNNN NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—service episode length, total

minutes NNNNN NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—waiting time (to hospital admission), total hours and minutes NNNN NHIG, Standard

01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

07/12/2005

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

NHIG, Superseded 24/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005

*Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2007-

2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# Time troponin measured

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—troponin level measured time, hhmm

METeOR identifier: 285211

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The time at which the troponin (T or I) was measured.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—troponin level measured time

Definition: The time at which the troponin (T or I) was measured.

Context: Health care and clinical settings.

Object class: Person

Property: Troponin level measured time

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Time

Data type: Date/Time
Format: hhmm

Maximum character length: 4

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats -

Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item pertains to the measuring of troponin at any

time point during this current event.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Acute coronary syndrome data working group

Steward: The National Heart Foundation of Australia and The Cardiac

Society of Australia and New Zealand

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Time troponin measured, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

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Specifications:

07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

07/12/2005

# **Tobacco smoking status**

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—tobacco smoking status, code N

METeOR identifier: 270311

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: A person's current and past smoking behaviour, as represented

by a code.

Context: Public health and health care

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—tobacco smoking status

Definition: A person's current and past smoking behaviour.

Context: Public health and health care

Object class: Person

Property: Tobacco smoking status

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Daily smoker
 Weekly smoker
 Irregular smoker

4 Ex-smoker5 Never smoked

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 1 Daily smoker

A person who smokes daily CODE 2 Weekly smoker

A person who smokes at least weekly but not daily

CODE 3 Irregular smoker

A person who smokes less than weekly

CODE 4 Ex-smoker

A person who does not smoke at all now, but has smoked at least 100 cigarettes or a similar amount of other tobacco

products in his/her lifetime. CODE 5 Never-smoker

A person who does not smoke now and has smoked fewer than 100 cigarettes or similar amount of other tobacco products in

his/her lifetime.

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults

(1998)

### **Data element attributes**

## Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

Comments:

The recommended standard for collecting this information is the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults interviewer administered (Questions 1 and 4) and selfadministered (Questions 1 and 1a) versions. The questionnaires are designed to cover persons aged 18 years and over.

There are two other ways of categorising this information:

- Regular and irregular smokers where a regular smoker includes someone who is a daily smoker or a weekly smoker. 'Regular' smokers is the preferred category to be reported in prevalence estimates.
- Daily and occasional smokers where an occasional smoker includes someone who is a weekly or irregular smoker. The category of 'occasional' smoker can be used when the aim of the study is to draw contrast between daily smokers and other smokers.

Where this information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for age and other relevant variables.

Smoker type is used to define subpopulations of adults (age 18+ years) based on their smoking behaviour.

Smoking has long been known as a health risk factor. Population studies indicate a relationship between smoking and increased mortality/morbidity.

This data element can be used to estimate smoking prevalence. Other uses are:

- To evaluate health promotion and disease prevention programs (assessment of interventions)
- To monitor health risk factors and progress towards National Health Goals and Targets

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Tobacco smoking status, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Information specific to this data set:

Smoker type is used to define sub-populations of adults (age 18+ years) based on their smoking behaviour. Smoking has long been known as a health risk factor.

Population studies indicate a relationship between smoking and increased mortality/morbidity. This metadata item can be used to estimate smoking prevalence.

#### Other uses are:

- To evaluate health promotion and disease prevention programs (assessment of interventions)
- To monitor health risk factors and progress towards National Health Goals and Targets

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 15/02/2006

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 04/07/2007

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 04/07/2007

# Tobacco smoking status (diabetes mellitus)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—regular tobacco smoking indicator (last 3 months),

code N

METeOR identifier: 302467

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

Definition: Whether an individual has been a regular smoker (daily or

weekly) of any tobacco material over the previous 3 months, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—regular tobacco smoking indicator

Definition: Whether an individual has been a regular smoker (daily or

weekly) of any tobacco material.

*Context:* Public health, health care and clinical settings.

Object class: Person

Property: Regular tobacco smoking indicator

## Collection and usage attributes

Comments: Smoking is the act of drawing into the mouth and puffing out

the smoke of tobacco contained in a cigarette, cigar or pipe. Tobacco smoke contains a number of harmful substances including poisons, various irritant and carcinogenic

compounds.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Yes2 No

Supplementary values: 9 Not stated/inadequately described

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described

This code is not for use in primary data collections.

#### Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 1 Yes: Record if the person has smoked daily or weekly

over the previous 3 months.

CODE 2 No: Record if the person has not smoked daily or weekly over the previous 3 months or has been an irregular

smoker.

Collection methods: Ask the individual if he/she has regularly smoked (daily or

weekly) any tobacco material over the past 3 months.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National diabetes data working group

Origin: National Diabetes Outcomes Quality Review Initiative

(NDOQRIN) data dictionary.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Person—tobacco smoking status (previous three

months), code N NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

Information specific to this data set:

For people with diabetes smoking is one of the most powerful treatable risk factors. Associated with

hypertension, diabetes and hypercholesterolemia, smoking

is a definite health hazard for coronary heart disease.

# Tobacco smoking—consumption/quantity (cigarettes)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—number of cigarettes smoked (per day), total N[N]

METeOR identifier: 270332

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The total number of cigarettes (manufactured or roll-your-own)

smoked per day by a person.

Context: Public health and health care

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—number of cigarettes smoked

Definition: The number of cigarettes smoked by a person.

Object class: Person

Property: Number of cigarettes smoked

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[N]

Maximum character length: 2

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

99 Not stated/inadequately described

#### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item is relevant only for persons who currently

smoke cigarettes daily or at least weekly. Daily consumption should be reported, rather than weekly consumption. Weekly consumption is converted to daily consumption by dividing by

7 and rounding to the nearest whole number.

Quantities greater than 98 (extremely rare) should be recorded

as 98.

Collection methods: The recommended standard for collecting this information is

the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults (1998) - interviewer administered (Questions 3a and 3b) and

self-administered (Questions 2a and 2b) versions. The questions cover persons aged 18 and over.

Comments: The number of cigarettes smoked is an important measure of

the magnitude of the tobacco problem for an individual. Research shows that of Australians who smoke, the

overwhelming majority smoke cigarettes (manufactured or roll-

your-own) rather than other tobacco products.

From a public health point of view, consumption level is

relevant only for regular smokers (those who smoke daily or at least weekly).

Data on quantity smoked can be used to:

- evaluate health promotion and disease prevention programs (assessment of interventions)
- monitor health risk factors and progress towards National Health Goals and Targets
- ascertain determinants and consequences of smoking
- assess a person's exposure to tobacco smoke.

Where this information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for age and other relevant variables.

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Supersedes Tobacco smoking - consumption/quantity (cigarettes), version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 15/02/2006

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 04/07/2007

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 04/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

The number of cigarettes smoked is an important measure of the magnitude of the tobacco problem for an individual. Research shows that of Australians who smoke, the overwhelming majority smoke cigarettes (manufactured or roll-your-own) rather than other tobacco products. From a public health point of view, consumption level is relevant only for regular smokers (those who smoke daily or at least weekly).

Data on quantity smoked can be used to:

- evaluate health promotion and disease prevention programs (assessment of interventions)
- monitor health risk factors and progress towards National Health Goals and Targets
- ascertain determinants and consequences of smoking
- assess a person's exposure to tobacco smoke.

# Tobacco smoking—duration (daily smoking)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—tobacco smoking duration (daily smoking), total years

N[N]

METeOR identifier: 270330

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The total duration in years, of daily smoking for a person who

is now a daily smoker or has been a daily smoker in the past.

Context: Public health and health care

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—tobacco smoking duration

Definition: Duration of smoking for a person who is now a smoker or has

been a smoker in the past.

Object class: Person

Property: Tobacco smoking duration

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[N]

Maximum character length: 2

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

99 Not stated/inadequately described

Unit of measure: Year

#### Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: In order to estimate duration of smoking the person's date of

birth or current age should also be collected. If a person reports that they smoke daily now then duration is the difference between the start-age and the person's current age. If a person reports that they smoked daily in the past but do not smoke daily now then duration is the difference between the quit age and the start age. Record duration of less than one year as 0.

Collection methods: The recommended standard for collecting this information is

the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults (1998) - interviewer administered (Question 1, 5, 6, 7) and self-administered (Question 1, 3, 3a, 4) versions. The questions cover

persons aged 18 years and over.

Comments: Duration of daily smoking is an indicator of exposure to

increased risk to health. In this data element, duration is measured as the years elapsed from the time the person first

started smoking daily and when they most recently quit smoking daily (or the present for those persons who still smoke daily). There may have been intervening periods when the person did not smoke daily. However, as the negative health effects of smoking accumulate over time, the information on duration of daily smoking, as measured in this data element, remains useful, despite any intervening periods of non-daily smoking.

Where this information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for age and other relevant variables.

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Tobacco smoking - duration (daily smoking), version 1, Derived DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Is formed using Person—tobacco smoking start age (daily smoking), total years NN NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
Is formed using Person—tobacco smoking quit age (daily smoking), total years NN NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

# Tobacco smoking—ever daily use

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—tobacco smoking daily use status, code N

METeOR identifier: 270329

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: An indicator of whether a person has ever smoked tobacco in

any form on a daily basis in their lifetime, as represented by a

code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—tobacco smoking daily use status

Definition: Whether a person has ever smoked tobacco in any form daily in

his or her lifetime.

Context: Public health and health care

Object class: Person

Property: Tobacco smoking daily use status

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number
Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Ever-daily
 Never-daily

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 1 Ever-daily

If a person reports that they now smoke cigarettes, cigars, pipes or any other tobacco products daily OR if they report that in the past they have been a daily smoker, they are coded to 1 (ever-

daily).

CODE 2 Never-daily

If a person reports that they have never smoked cigarettes, cigars, pipes or any other tobacco products daily AND they have never in the past been a daily smoker then they are coded

to 2 (never-daily).

## **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: The recommended standard for collecting this information is

the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults (1998) - interviewer administered (Question 1 and 5) and self-

administered (Question 1 and 3) versions. The questions cover persons aged 18 years and over.

Whether a person has ever smoked on a daily basis can be used to assess an individual's health risk from smoking and to monitor population trends in smoking behaviour.

It can also be used to:

- evaluate health promotion and disease prevention programs (assessment of interventions);
- monitor health risk factors;
- ascertain determinants and consequences of smoking.

Where the information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for age and other relevant variables.

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Tobacco smoking - ever daily use, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Comments:

# **Tobacco smoking—frequency**

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—tobacco smoking frequency, code N

METeOR identifier: 270328

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: How often a person now smokes a tobacco product, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—tobacco smoking frequency

Definition: How often a person now smokes a tobacco product.

Context: Public health and health care

Object class: Person

*Property:* Tobacco smoking frequency

#### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Smokes daily

2 Smokes at least weekly, but not daily

3 Smokes less often than weekly

4 Does not smoke at all

## **Data element attributes**

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: To record multiple use data, repeat the data field as many times

as necessary, viz: product1, product2 etc. In most instances, data on both product and frequency are needed. In such situations, repeat both fields as many times as necessary, viz:

product1, frequency1, product2, frequency2 etc.

Collection methods: The recommended standard for collecting this information is

the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults (1998) - interviewer administered (Question 1) and self-administered (Question 1) versions. The questions relate to smoking of manufactured cigarettes, roll-your-own cigarettes, cigars, pipes and other tobacco products and are designed to

cover persons aged 18 years and over.

Comments: The frequency of smoking helps to assess a person's exposure to

tobacco smoke which is a known risk factor for cardiovascular disease and cancer. From a public health point of view, the level

of consumption of tobacco as measured by frequency of smoking tobacco products is only relevant for regular smokers (persons who smoke daily or at least weekly).

Where this information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for age and other relevant variables.

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Tobacco smoking - frequency, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

# **Tobacco smoking—product**

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—tobacco product smoked, code N

METeOR identifier: 270327

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The type of tobacco product smoked by a person, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—tobacco product smoked

*Definition:* The type of tobacco product smoked by a person.

Context: Public health and health care

Object class: Person

Property: Tobacco product smoked

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Cigarettes - manufactured
 Cigarettes - roll-your-own

3 Cigars4 Pipes

5 Other tobacco product

6 None

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

To record multiple use data, repeat the data field as many times

as necessary, viz: product1, product2 etc. In most instances, data on both product and frequency are needed. In such situations, repeat both fields as many times as necessary, viz:

product1, frequency1, product2, frequency2 etc.

Collection methods: The recommended standard for collecting information about

smoking the above tobacco products is the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults (1998) - interviewer or

self-administered versions.

Comments: Tobacco smoking is a known risk factor for cardiovascular

disease and cancer. The type of tobacco product smoked by a person in conjunction with information about the frequency of

smoking assists with establishing a profile of smoking behaviour at the individual or population level and with monitoring shifts from cigarette smoking to other types of tobacco products and vice versa.

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Tobacco smoking - product, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

# Tobacco smoking—quit age (daily smoking)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—tobacco smoking quit age (daily smoking), total years

NN

METeOR identifier: 270323

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The age in years at which a person who has smoked daily in the

past and is no longer a daily smoker most recently stopped

smoking daily.

Context: Public health and health care

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—tobacco smoking quit age

Definition: The age at which a person stopped smoking.

Object class: Person

Property: Tobacco smoking quit age

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Total
Data type: String
Format: NN
Maximum character length: 2

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

99 Not stated/inadequately described

Unit of measure: Year

#### Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: In order to estimate quit-age, the person's date of birth or

current age should also be collected. Quit-age may be directly reported, or derived from the date the person quit smoking or the length of time since quitting, once the person's date of birth

(or current age) is known.

Quit-age is relevant only to persons who have been daily smokers in the past and are not current daily smokers.

Collection methods: The recommended standard for collecting this information is

the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults interviewer administered (Question 6) and self-administered (Question 3a) versions. The questions cover persons aged 18

years and over.

The relevant question in each version of the questionnaires refers to when the person finally stopped smoking daily, whereas the definition for this metadata item refers to when the

person most recently stopped smoking daily. However, in order to provide information on when the person most recently stopped smoking daily, the most appropriate question to ask at the time of collecting the information is when the person finally stopped smoking daily.

Comments:

Quit-age and start-age provide information on the duration of daily smoking and exposure to increased risk to health.

Where the information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for age and other relevant variables.

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Tobacco smoking - quit age (daily smoking), version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Person—time since quitting to bacco smoking (daily smoking), code NN NHIG, Standard  $01/03/2005\,$ 

Is used in the formation of Person—tobacco smoking duration (daily smoking), total years N[N] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

# Tobacco smoking—start age (daily smoking)

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—tobacco smoking start age (daily smoking), total years

NN

METeOR identifier: 270324

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The age in years at which a person who has ever been a daily

smoker, first started to smoke daily.

Context: Public health and health care

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—tobacco smoking start age

Definition: The age at which a person first started to smoke.

Object class: Person

Property: Tobacco smoking start age

# Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Total
Data type: String
Format: NN
Maximum character length: 2

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

99 Not stated/inadequately described

Unit of measure: Year

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record age in completed years.

This information is relevant only if a person currently smokes

daily or has smoked daily in the past.

Collection methods: The recommended standard for collecting this information is

the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults (1998) - interviewer administered (Question 7) and self-administered (Question 4) versions. The questions cover

persons aged 18 years and over.

Comments: Start-age may be used to derive duration of smoking, which is a

much stronger predictor of the risks associated with smoking

than is the total amount of tobacco smoked over time.

Where the information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and

age groups. The recommended age groups are:

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity, and alcohol consumption should be collected.

### **Relational attributes**

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Tobacco smoking - start age (daily smoking), version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005 Is used in the formation of Person—tobacco smoking duration (daily smoking), total years N[N] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

# Tobacco smoking—time since quitting (daily smoking)

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—time since quitting tobacco smoking (daily smoking),

code NN

METeOR identifier: 270356

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The time since a person most recently quit daily smoking, as

represented by a code.

Context: Public health and health care

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—time since quitting tobacco smoking

Definition: Time since a person most recently quit smoking.

Object class: Person

Property: Time since quitting tobacco smoking

# Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: NN

Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

01 12 months (1 year) 02 2 years etc. to 78

79 79+ years

81

91

80 Less than 1 month

1 month

92 months, not specified 93 years, not specified

11 months

Supplementary values: 99 not stated

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Collection methods:

Comments:

In order to estimate time since quitting for all respondents, the person's date of birth or current age should also be collected. For optimal flexibility of use, the time since quitting is coded as months or years. However, people may report the time that they quit smoking in various ways (e.g. age, a date, or a number of days or weeks ago). When the information is reported in weeks and is less than 4, or in days and is less than 28, then code 80.

When the person reports the time since quitting as weeks ago, convert into months by dividing by 4 (rounded down to the nearest month).

If days reported are between 28 and 59, then code 81.

Where the information is about age only, time since quitting (daily use) is the difference between quit-age and age at survey.

The recommended standard for collecting this information is the Standard Questions on the Use of Tobacco Among Adults

(1998) - interviewer administered (Question 6) and self-administered (Question 3) versions.

Time since quitting daily smoking may give an indication of

improvement in the health risk profile of a person. It is also

useful in evaluating health promotion campaigns.

Where this information is collected by survey and the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted

for age and other relevant variables.

It is recommended that in surveys of smoking, data on age, sex and other socio-demographic variables should be collected. It is also recommended that when smoking is investigated in relation to health, data on other risk factors including pregnancy status, physical activity, overweight and obesity,

and alcohol consumption should be collected.

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Tobacco smoking - time since quitting (daily

smoking), version 1, Derived DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded

01/03/2005

Is formed using Person—tobacco smoking quit age (daily smoking), total years NN NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

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# **Total contract patient days**

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Admitted patient hospital stay—number of patient days (of

contracted care), total N[NN]

METeOR identifier: 270301

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Sum of the number of contract patient days for all periods

within the hospital stay.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Admitted patient hospital stay—number of patient days (of

contracted care)

Definition: Number of contract patient days (contracted care completion

date minus contracted care commencement date) for all periods

within the hospital stay.

Context: Admitted patient care.

Object class: Admitted patient hospital stay

Property: Number of patient days

## Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[NN]

Maximum character length: 3

Unit of measure: Day

# **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Count number of days.

A day is measured from midnight to 2359 hours.

Contract patient days are included in the total count of patient days. If necessary, contract patient days can be distinguished from other patient days by using the following rules:

- The day the contract commences is counted as a contract patient day.
- If the patient is on contract from midnight to 2359 count as a contract patient day.
- The day a contract is completed is not counted as a contract patient day.
- If the patient is admitted and commences a contract on the same day, this is not counted as a contract patient day.
- If a contract is completed and the patient is separated on the same day, the day should not be counted as a contract

# or other patient day.

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Supersedes Total contract patient days, version 1, Derived DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005Related metadata references:

# Total hours worked by a medical practitioner

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Medical practitioner—hours worked, total NNN

METeOR identifier: 270136

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The total hours worked in a week in a job by a medical

practitioner, including any on-call hours actually worked

(includes patient care and administration).

Context: Health labour force

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Medical practitioner—hours worked

Definition: The number of hours worked by a medical practitioner.

Object class: Medical practitioner

Property: Hours worked

# Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Total
Data type: String
Format: NNN
Maximum character length: 3

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

999 Not stated/inadequately described

Unit of measure: Hour (h)

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Total hours expressed as 000, 001 etc.

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item relates to each position (job) held by a

medical practitioner, not the aggregate of hours worked in all.

Collection methods: There are inherent problems in asking for information on

number of hours usually worked per week, for example, reaching a satisfactory definition and communicating this definition to the respondents in a self-administered survey. Whether hours worked are collected for main job only, or main job and one or more additional jobs, it is important that a total

for all jobs is included.

Comments: It is often argued that health professionals contribute a

considerable amount of time to voluntary professional work and that this component needs to be identified. This should be considered as an additional item, and kept segregated from data on paid hours worked.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Health Labour Force Data Working Group

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Total hours worked by a medical practitioner,

version 2, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005 Health labour force NMDS NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005

Information specific to this data set:

Value must be less than 169 (except for 999).

Used in relation to issues of economic activity,

productivity, wage rates, working conditions etc. Used to develop capacity measures relating to total time available. Assists in analysis of human resource requirements and labour force modelling. Used to determine full-time and

part-time work status and to compute full-time

equivalents (FTE) (see entry for FTE). Often the definition for full-time or FTE differs (35, 37.5 and 40 hours) and knowing total hours and numbers of individuals allows

for variances in FTE.

# **Total leave days**

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Episode of admitted patient care—number of leave days, total

N[NN]

METeOR identifier: 270251

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Sum of the length of leave (date returned from leave minus date

went on leave) for all periods within the hospital stay.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Episode of admitted patient care—number of leave days

Definition: Sum of the length of leave (date returned from leave minus date

went on leave) for all periods within the hospital stay.

Context: Recording of leave days allows for exclusion of these from the

calculation of patient days. This is important for analysis of costs per patient and for planning. The maximum limit allowed for leave affects admission and **separation** rates, particularly for

long-stay patients who may have several leave periods.

Object class: Episode of admitted patient care

Property: Number of leave days

# Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[NN]

Maximum character length: 3

Unit of measure: Day

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: A day is measured from midnight to midnight.

The following rules apply in the calculation of leave days for both overnight and **same-day patients**:

- The day the patient goes on leave is counted as a leave day.
- The day the patient is on leave is counted as a leave day.
- The day the patient returns from leave is counted as a patient day.
- If the patient is admitted and goes on leave on the same day, this is counted as a patient day, not a leave day.
- If the patient returns from leave and then goes on leave again on the same day, this is counted as a leave day.
- If the patient returns from leave and is separated on the same day, the day should not be counted as either a patient

day or a leave day.

Comments:

It should be noted that for private patients in public and private hospitals, s.3 (12) of the Health Insurance Act 1973 (Cwlth) currently applies a different leave day count, Commonwealth Department of Human Services and Health HBF Circular 354 (31 March 1994). This metadata item was modified in July 1996 to exclude the previous differentiation between the psychiatric and other patients.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Total leave days, version 3, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—length of stay (excluding leave days), total N[NN] NHIG,

Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of care—number of psychiatric care days, total N[NNN] NHIG, Standard

01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—major diagnostic category, code (AR-DRG v5.1) NN NHIG,

Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—diagnosis related group, code (AR-DRG v5.1) ANNA NHIG,

Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Admitted patient care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Admitted patient care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to

Commonwealth agencies:

(Episode of admitted patient care—separation date, DDMMYYYY minus Episode of admitted patient care—admission date, DDMMYYYY) minus Admitted patient hospital stay—number of leave days, total N[NN] must be 0 days.

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006

Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies:

(Episode of admitted patient care—separation date, DDMMYYYY minus Episode of admitted patient care—admission date, DDMMYYYY) minus Admitted patient hospital stay—number of leave days, total N[NN] must be 0 days.

# **Total psychiatric care days**

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Episode of care—number of psychiatric care days, total

N[NNNN]

METeOR identifier: 270300

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The sum of the number of days or part days of stay that the

person received care as an admitted patient or **resident** within a designated psychiatric unit, minus the sum of leave days occurring during the stay within the designated unit.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Episode of care—number of psychiatric care days

Definition: The sum of the number of days or part days of stay that the

person received care as an admitted patient or **resident** within a designated psychiatric unit, minus the sum of leave days occurring during the stay within the designated unit.

Context: Admitted patient and residential mental health care:

This metadata item is required to identify the characteristics of patients treated in specialist psychiatric units located within acute care hospitals or 24-hour staffed community-based residential services and to analyse the activities of these units

and services.

Community mental health care:

This metadata item is required to identify the characteristics of patients treated in specialist psychiatric 24-hour staffed community-based residential services and to analyse the activities of these units. The metadata item is necessary to describe and evaluate the progress of mainstreaming of mental

health services.

Object class: Episode of care

Property: Number of psychiatric care days

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[NNNN]

Maximum character length: 5
Unit of measure: Day

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Designated psychiatric units are staffed by health professionals

with specialist mental health qualifications or training and have

as their principal function the treatment and care of patients affected by mental disorder. The unit may or may not be recognised under relevant State and Territory legislation to treat patients on an involuntary basis. Patients are admitted patients in the acute and psychiatric hospitals and residents in community based residences.

Public acute care hospitals:

Designated psychiatric units in public acute care hospitals are normally recognised by the State/Territory health authority in the funding arrangements applying to those hospitals.

Private acute care hospitals:

Designated psychiatric units in private acute care hospitals normally require license or approval by the State/Territory health authority in order to receive benefits from health funds for the provision of psychiatric care.

Psychiatric hospitals:

Total psychiatric care days in stand-alone psychiatric hospitals are calculated by counting those days the patient received specialist psychiatric care. Leave days and days on which the patient was receiving other care (e.g. specialised intellectual ability or drug and alcohol care) should be excluded.

Psychiatric hospitals are establishments devoted primarily to the treatment and care of admitted patients with psychiatric, mental or behavioural disorders. Private hospitals formerly approved by the Commonwealth Department of Health under the Health Insurance Act 1973 (Commonwealth) (now licensed/approved by each State/Territory health authority), catering primarily for patients with psychiatric or behavioural disorders are included in this category.

Community-based residential services:

Designated psychiatric units refers to 24-hour staffed community-based residential units established in community settings that provide specialised treatment, rehabilitation or care for people affected by a mental illness or psychiatric disability. Special psychiatric units for the elderly are covered by this category, including psychogeriatric hostels or psychogeriatric nursing homes. Note that residences occupied by admitted patients located on hospital grounds, whether on the campus of a general or stand-alone psychiatric hospital, should be counted in the category of admitted patient services and not as community-based residential services.

Counting of patient days and leave days in designated psychiatric units should follow the standard definitions applying to these items.

For each period of care in a designated psychiatric unit, total days is calculated by subtracting the date on which care commenced within the unit from the date on which the specialist unit care was completed, less any leave days that occurred during the period.

Total psychiatric care days in 24-hour community-based residential care are calculated by counting those days the patient received specialist psychiatric care. Leave days and days on which the patient was receiving other care (e.g. specialised intellectual ability or drug and alcohol care) should be excluded.

Admitted patients in acute care:

Commencement of care within a designated psychiatric unit may be the same as the date the patient was admitted to the hospital, or occur subsequently, following transfer of the patient from another hospital ward. Where commencement of psychiatric care occurs by transfer from another ward, a new episode of care may be recorded, depending on whether the care type has changed (see metadata item Care type). Completion of care within a designated psychiatric unit may be the same as the date the patient was discharged from the hospital, or occur prior to this on transfer of the patient to another hospital ward. Where completion of psychiatric care is followed by transfer to another hospital ward, a new episode of care may be recorded, depending on whether the care type has changed (see metadata item Care type. Total psychiatric care days may cover one or more periods in a designated psychiatric unit within the overall hospital stay.

Collection methods:

Comments:

Accurate counting of total days in psychiatric care requires periods in designated psychiatric units to be identified in the person-level data collected by state or territory health authorities. Several mechanisms exist for this data field to be implemented:

- Ideally, the new data field should be collected locally by hospitals and added to the unit record data provided to the relevant state/territory health authority.
- Acute care hospitals in most states and territories include details of the wards in which the patient was accommodated in the unit record data provided to the health authority. Local knowledge should be used to identify designated psychiatric units within each hospital's ward codes, to allow total psychiatric care days to be calculated for each episode of care.
- Acute care hospitals and 24-hour staffed community-based residential services should be identified separately at the level of the establishment.

This metadata item was originally designed to monitor trends in the delivery of psychiatric admitted patient care in acute care hospitals. It has been modified to enable collection of data in the community-based residential care sector. The metadata item is intended to improve understanding in this area and contribute to the ongoing evaluation of changes occurring in mental health services.

## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Mental Health Information Strategy Committee

Reference documents: Health Insurance Act 1973 (Commonwealth)

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Total psychiatric care days, version 2, Derived DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Is formed using Establishment—establishment type, sector and services provided code AN.N{.N} NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Is formed using Hospital service—care type, code N[N].N

NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is formed using Episode of admitted patient care—number of

leave days, total N[NN] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is formed using Episode of admitted patient care—admission date, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is formed using Episode of admitted patient care—separation date, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Admitted patient care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

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Admitted patient care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Admitted patient care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007 Information specific to this data set:

Total days in psychiatric care must be: zero; and length of stay.

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007 Information specific to this data set:

Total days in psychiatric care must be ze

Total days in psychiatric care must be length of stay.

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# Treatment delivery setting for alcohol and other drugs

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—service

delivery setting, code N

METeOR identifier: 270068

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The main physical setting in which the type of treatment that is

the principal focus of a client's alcohol and other drug treatment episode is actually delivered irrespective of whether or not this is the same as the usual location of the service provider, as

represented by a code.

# **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—service

delivery setting

Definition: The main physical setting in which the type of treatment that is

the principal focus of a client's alcohol and other drug treatment episode is actually delivered, irrespective of whether or not this

is the same as the usual location of the service provider.

Context: Alcohol and other drug treatment services. Required to identify

the settings in which treatment is occurring, allowing for trends

in treatment patterns to be monitored.

Object class: Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs

Property: Service delivery setting

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Non-residential treatment facility

2 Residential treatment facility

3 Home

4 Outreach setting

3 Other

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Only one code to be selected at the end of the alcohol and other

drug treatment episode. Agencies should report the setting in which most of the main type of treatment was received by the

client during the treatment episode.

CODE 1 Non-residential treatment facility

This code refers to any non-residential centre that provides

alcohol and other drug treatment services, including hospital outpatient services and community health centres.

CODE 2 Residential treatment facility

This code refers to community-based settings in which clients reside either temporarily or long-term in a facility that is not their home or usual place of residence to receive alcohol and other drug treatment. This does not include ambulatory situations, but does include therapeutic community settings.

CODE 3 Home

This code refers to the client's own home or usual place of residence.

CODE 4 Outreach setting

This code refers to an outreach environment, excluding a client's home or usual place of residence, where treatment is provided. An outreach environment may be any public or private location that is not covered by Codes 1-3.

Mobile (outreach alcohol and other drug treatment service)

Mobile/outreach alcohol and other drug treatment service providers would usually provide treatment within this setting.

# Data element attributes

## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs National Minimum

**Data Set Working Group** 

Relational attributes

Specifications:

Related metadata references: Supersedes Treatment delivery setting for alcohol and other

drugs, version 2, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS NHIG,

Superseded 21/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS NHIG,

Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2007-2008

NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# **Triglyceride level (measured)**

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—triglyceride level (measured), total millimoles per litre

N[N].N

METeOR identifier: 270229

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: A person's triglyceride level measured in millimoles per litre.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—triglyceride level
Definition: A person's triglyceride level.

Context: Public health, health care and clinical setting.

Object class: Person

Property: Triglyceride level

### Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[N].N

Maximum character length: 3

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

99.9 Not stated/inadequately described.

Unit of measure: Millimole per litre (mmol/L)

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record the absolute result of the total triglyceride

measurement.

Collection methods: Measurement of lipid levels should be carried out by

laboratories, or practices, which have been accredited to perform these tests by the National Association of Testing

Authorities.

 To be collected as a single venous blood sample, preferably following a 12-hour fast where only water and medications have been consumed.

Note that to calculate the low-density lipoprotein - cholesterol (LDL-C) from the Friedwald Equation (Friedwald et al, 1972):

- a fasting level of plasma triglyceride and knowledge of the levels of plasma total cholesterol and high-density lipoprotein - cholesterol (HDL-C) is required,
- the Friedwald equation becomes unreliable when the plasma triglyceride exceeds 4.5 mmol/L, and
- that while levels are reliable for the first 24 hours after the

onset of acute coronary syndromes, they may be unreliable for the subsequent 6 weeks after an event.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Cardiovascular Data Working Group

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Triglycerides - measured, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Person—low-density lipoprotein cholesterol level (calculated), total millimoles per litre N[N].N

NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

07/12/2005

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

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Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

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04/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

A relationship between triglyceride and High-density Lipoprotein Cholesterol (HDL-C) and chronic heart disease (CHD) event rates has been shown. This view is supported by the observation that the remnants of triglyceride-rich lipoproteins are the particles that occur in dysbetalipoproteinaemia, a condition associated with a very high risk of premature atherosclerotic vascular disease. There have been two comprehensive reviews of the relationship between plasma triglyceride and CHD (see Criqui et al. 1993 and Austin et al. 1991). Criqui concludes that triglyceride is not an independent predictor of CHD and is probably not causally related to the disease, while Austin provides a compelling case for a causal role of (at least) some triglyceride rich lipoproteins. Conclusions drawn from population studies of the relationship between plasma triglyceride and the risk of CHD include the following:

- an elevated concentration of plasma triglyceride (> 2.0 mmol/L) is predictive of CHD when associated with either an increased concentration of LDL-C or a decreased concentration of HDL-C.
- the relationship between CHD risk and plasma triglyceride is not continuous, with evidence that the risk is greatest in people with triglyceride levels between 2 and 6 mmol/L (Lipid Management Guidelines - 2001, MJA 2001; 175: S57-S88. National Heart Foundation of Australia and the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand).

It is likely that the positive relationship between plasma triglyceride and CHD, as observed in many population studies, is because an elevated level of plasma triglyceride in some people is a reflection of an accumulation of the atherogenic remnants of chylomicrons and very Lowdensity Lipoprotein (LDL). These particles are rich in both triglyceride and cholesterol and appear to be at least as atherogenic as LDL.

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005 Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

Information specific to this data set:

Following Principles of Care and Guidelines for the Clinical Management of Diabetes Mellitus, the targets for lipids management are:

- to reduce total cholesterol to less than 5.5 mmol/L
- to reduce triglyceride level to less than 2.0 mmol/L
- to increase HDL-C to more than or equal to 1.0 mmol/L.

Alterations in fat transport, often resulting in hypertriglyceridaemia, are well-recognised concomitants of diabetes mellitus.

Elevated plasma triglyceride levels are present in about one third of diabetic patients. It seems that triglycerides are related to the critical role of insulin in the production and removal from plasma of triglyceride-rich lipoproteins. Lifestyle modifications, including weight loss and reduction of excess alcohol intake, are particularly effective for reducing triglyceride and increasing HDL-C.

# Troponin assay type

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—troponin assay type, code N

METeOR identifier: 285225

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: The type of troponin assay (I or T) used to assess the person's

troponin levels, as represented by a code.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—troponin assay type

Definition: Identifies the type of troponin assay (I or T) used to assess the

person's troponin levels.

Context: Health care and clinical settings.

Object class: Person

Property: Troponin assay type

# Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Cardiac troponin T (cTnT)
2 Cardiac troponin I (cTnI)

3 Not taken

Supplementary values: 9 Not stated/inadequately described

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

### Data element attributes

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Acute coronary syndrome data working group.

Steward: The National Heart Foundation of Australia and The Cardiac

Society of Australia and New Zealand

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Troponin assay type, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

Specifications: 07/12/2005

Information specific to this data set: For Acute coronary syndrome (ACS) reporting, record the type of troponin assay (I or T) used to assess troponin levels during this presentation.

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

# Troponin assay—upper limit of normal range (micrograms per litre)

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Laboratory standard—upper limit of normal range for troponin

assay, total micrograms per litre N[NNN]

METeOR identifier: 285326

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: Laboratory standard for the value of `troponin T' or `troponin I'

measured in micrograms per litre that is the upper boundary of

the normal reference range.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Laboratory standard—upper limit of normal range of troponin

assay

Definition: Laboratory standard for the value of `troponin T' or `troponin I'

that is the upper boundary of the normal reference range.

Context: Health care and clinical settings.

Object class: Laboratory standard

Property: Upper limit of normal range of troponin assay

# Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[NNN]

Maximum character length: 4

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

9999 Not stated/inadequately described

Unit of measure: Microgram per litre (µg/L)

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record the upper limit of normal (usually the ninety-ninth

percentile of a normal population) for the individual laboratory.

## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Acute coronary syndrome data working group

Steward: The National Heart Foundation of Australia and The Cardiac

Society of Australia and New Zealand

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Troponin assay - upper limit of normal range,

version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

# Troponin level (measured)

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—troponin level (measured), total micrograms per litre

NN.NN

METeOR identifier: 285253

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/06/2004

Definition: A person's troponin measured in micrograms per litre.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—troponin level

Definition: A person's measured troponin.

Context: Health care and clinical settings.

Object class: Person

Property: Troponin level

## Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class:TotalData type:NumberFormat:NN.NN

Maximum character length: 4

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

88.88 Not measured

99.99 Not stated/inadequately described

Unit of measure: Microgram per litre (µg/L)

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 88.88 Not measured

This code is used if test for troponin (T or I) was not done.

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Measured in different assays dependant upon laboratory

methodology.

When only one troponin level is recorded, this should be the

peak level during the admission.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Acute coronary syndrome data working group

Steward: The National Heart Foundation of Australia and The Cardiac

Society of Australia and New Zealand

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Troponin measured, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

See also Laboratory standard—upper limit of normal range for troponin assay, total micrograms per litre N[NNN] NHIG,

Standard 04/06/2004

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Information specific to this data set:

For Acute coronary syndrome (ACS ) reporting, can be

used to determine diagnostic strata.

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

# **Tumour size at diagnosis (solid tumours)**

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person with cancer—solid tumour size (at diagnosis), total

millimetres NNN

METeOR identifier: 270184

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The largest dimension of a solid tumour, measured in

millimetres.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person with cancer—solid tumour size

Definition: The largest dimension of a solid tumour.

Object class: Person with cancer Property: Solid tumour size

### Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Total
Data type: String
Format: NNN
Maximum character length: 3

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

999 Unknown

*Unit of measure:* Millimetre (mm)

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Size in millimetres with valid values 001 to 997.

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The reporting standard for the size of solid tumours is:

Breast cancer or other solid neoplasms - the largest tumour

dimension, measured to a precision of 1mm.

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Tumour size at diagnosis - solid tumours, version 1,

DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005 Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Information specific to this data set:

This is used to measure the diameter of the largest dimension of breast cancers and other solid neoplasms for patient management, population cancer statistics and research.

# **Tumour thickness at diagnosis (melanoma)**

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person with cancer—melanoma thickness (at diagnosis), total

millimetres NNN.NN

METeOR identifier: 270185

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The measured thickness of a melanoma in millimetres.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person with cancer—melanoma thickness

Definition: The thickness of a melanoma.

Context: Patient management, population cancer statistics and research.

Object class: Person with cancer
Property: Melanoma thickness

## Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: String

Format: NNN.NN

Maximum character length: 5

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

999.99 Unknown

*Unit of measure:* Millimetre (mm)

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The reporting standard for the thickness of melanoma is:

Primary cutaneous melanoma - the depth of penetration of tumour cells below the basal layer of the skin; measured to a  $\,$ 

precision of 0.01mm.

Size in millimetres - valid values are: 000.01 to 997.99

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Tumour thickness at diagnosis - melanoma, version

1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Specifications: Cancer (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

# Type and sector of employment establishment

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Health professional—establishment type (employment),

industry code NN

METeOR identifier: 269954

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The sector of employment and main type of work/speciality

area of the health professional, as represented by a code.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Health professional—establishment type (employment)

Definition: For each health profession, type of employment establishment

is a self-reporting, condensed industry of employment

classification that can be cross-referenced to the Australian and

New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification.

Sector of employment establishment is government (public) or non-government (private), according to whether or not the employer is a Commonwealth, State or local government

agency.

Context: Health labour force
Object class: Health professional
Property: Establishment type

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: NN

Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

O1 Private medical practitioner rooms/surgery

(including 24-hour medical clinics)

Other public non-residential health care facility

(e.g. Aboriginal health service, ambulatory centre, outpatient clinic, day surgery centre, medical centre, community health centre)

Other private non-residential health care (e.g. Aboriginal health service, ambulatory centre,

outpatient clinic, day surgery centre, medical

centre, community health centre)

04 Hospital - acute care (including psychiatric or

specialist hospital) hospital (public)

05 Hospital - acute care (including psychiatric or

specialist hospital) hospital (private)

Residential health care (e.g. nursing home,

hospice, physical disabilities residential centre)

	facility (public)
07	Residential health care (e.g. nursing home, hospice, physical disabilities residential centre) facility (private)
08	Tertiary education institution (public)
09	Tertiary education institution (private)
10	Defence forces
11	Government department or agency (e.g. laboratory, research organisation etc.)
12	Private industry/private enterprise (e.g. insurance, pathology, bank)
13	Other (specified) public
14	Other (specified) private
99	Unknown/inadequately described/not stated

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Supplementary values:

# Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Establishments are coded into self reporting groupings in the

public and private sectors. This can be seen in the code list for

medical practitioners.

Minor variations in ordering of sequence and disaggregation of

the principal categories will be profession-specific as appropriate; where a more detailed set of codes is used, the essential criterion is that there should not be an overlap of the

detailed codes across the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification category definitions.

Note:

Public psychiatric hospitals are non-acute care facilities, whereas private psychiatric hospitals are acute care facilities. To minimise the possibility of respondent confusion and misreporting, public psychiatric hospitals are included in the

grouping for acute care public hospitals.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: Australian Bureau of Statistics 1993. Australian and New

Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC). Cat. No.

1292.0. Canberra: ABS

### **Data element attributes**

# Collection and usage attributes

Comments: Day surgery centres, outpatient clinics and medical centres

approved as hospitals under the Health Insurance Act 1973 (Commonwealth) have emerged as a new category for

investigation. These will be included in a review of the National Health Labour Force Collection questions and coding frames.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Health Labour Force Data Working Group

Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 1993. Australian and New

Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC). Cat. No.

1292.0. Canberra: ABS

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Supersedes Type and sector of employment establishment, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Health labour force NMDS NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005

Information specific to this data set:

To analyse distribution of service providers by setting (defined by industry of employer and sector), crossclassified with main type of work and/or specialty area.

# Type of accommodation

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—accommodation type (usual), code N[N]

METeOR identifier: 270088

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The type of accommodation setting in which a person usually

lives/lived, as represented by a code.

Context: Admitted patient mental health care:

Permits analysis of the usual residential accommodation type of people prior to admission to institutional health care. The setting in which the person usually lives can have a bearing on the types of treatment and support required by the person and

the outcomes that result from their treatment.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—accommodation type
Definition: The setting in which a person lives.

Object class: Person

Property: Accommodation type

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N[N]

Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1

Private residence (e.g. house, flat, bedsitter, caravan, boat, independent unit in retirement village), including privately and publicly rented

homes

2 Psychiatric hospital

3 Residential aged care service

Specialised alcohol/other drug treatment

residence

5 Specialised mental health community-based

residential support service

6 Domestic-scale supported living facility (eg.

group home for people with disabilities)

7 Boarding/rooming house/hostel or hostel type

accommodation, not including aged persons'

hostel

8 Homeless persons' shelter

9 Shelter/refuge (not including homeless

persons' shelter)

Other supported accommodation

Prison/remand centre/youth training centre

Public place (homeless)

Other accommodation, not elsewhere classified

Supplementary values: 14 Unknown/unable to determine

# Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 3 Residential aged care service

Includes nursing home beds in acute care hospitals.

CODE 4 Specialised alcohol/other drug treatment residence Includes alcohol/other drug treatment units in psychiatric hospitals.

CODE 5 Specialised mental health community-based residential support service

Specialised mental health community-based residential support services are defined as community-based residential supported accommodation specifically targeted at people with psychiatric disabilities which provides 24-hour support/rehabilitation on a residential basis.

CODE 6 Domestic-scale supported living facility (eg. group home for people with disabilities)

Domestic-scale supported living facilities include group homes for people with disabilities, cluster apartments where a support worker lives on-site, community residential apartments (except mental health), congregate care arrangements. Support is provided by staff on either a live-in or rostered basis, and they may or may not have 24-hour supervision and care.

CODE 10 Other supported accommodation

Includes other supported accommodation facilities such as hostels for people with disabilities and Residential Services/Facilities (Victoria and South Australia only). These facilities provide board and lodging and rostered care workers provide client support services.

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: 'Usual' is defined as the type of accommodation the person has

lived in for the most amount of time over the past three months prior to admission to institutional health care or first contact with a community service setting. If a person stays in a particular place of accommodation for four or more days a week over the period, that place of accommodation would be the person's type of usual accommodation. In practice, receiving an answer to questioning about a person's usual accommodation setting may be difficult to achieve. The place the person perceives as their usual accommodation will often prove to be the best approximation of their type of usual

accommodation.

Comments: The changes made to this metadata item are in accordance with

the requirements of the National Mental Health Information Strategy Committee and take into consideration corresponding definitions in other data dictionaries (e.g. Home and Community Care Data Dictionary Version 1 and National Community Services Data Dictionary Version 1).

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Type of accommodation, version 2, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded Specifications:

07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG,

Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# Type of augmentation of labour

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: **Data Element** 

Technical name: Birth event—labour augmentation type, code N

METeOR identifier:

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Methods used to assist progress of labour, as represented by a

code.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Birth event—labour augmentation type Definition: Methods used to assist progress of labour.

Context: Perinatal care Object class: Birth event

Property: Labour augmentation type

## Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Code Number Data type: Format: Ν Maximum character length:

Permissible values: Value Meaning

> U None 1 Oxytocin

2 **Prostaglandins** 

3 Artificial rupture of membranes (ARM)

Other

Supplementary values: Not stated 5

### Collection and usage attributes

Comments: Prostaglandin is listed as a method of augmentation in the data

domain. Advice from the Royal Australian and New Zealand

College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and the

manufacturer indicates that vaginal prostaglandin use is not recommended or supported as a method of augmentation of labour as it may significantly increase the risk of uterine hyperstimulation. In spite of this, the method is being used and

it is considered important to monitor its use for augmentation.

# Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: More than one method of augmentation can be recorded, except

where 0=none applies.

Collection units need to edit carefully the use of prostaglandins as an augmentation method. Results from checking records have shown that either the onset of labour was incorrect or that

the augmentation method was incorrectly selected.

Comments: Type of augmentation determines the progress and duration of

labour and may influence the method of delivery and the health

status of the baby at birth.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Type of augmentation of labour, version 2, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

# Type of labour induction

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Birth event—labour induction type, code N

METeOR identifier: 270037

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

*Definition:* Method used to induce labour, as represented by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Birth event—labour induction type Definition: Method used to induce labour.

Context: Perinatal statistics

Object class: Birth event

Property: Labour induction type

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length:

Permissible values: Value Meaning

0 None1 Oxytocin

2 Prostaglandins

3 Artificial rupture of membranes (ARM)

4 Other

## **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: More than one method of induction can be recorded, except

where 0=none applies.

Comments: Type of induction determines the progress and duration of

labour and may influence the method of delivery and the health

status of the baby at birth.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Type of labour induction, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

# Type of usual accommodation

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—accommodation type (prior to admission), code N

METeOR identifier: 270079

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The type of physical accommodation the person lived in prior

to admission.

Context: Admitted patient mental health care:

Permits analysis of the prior residential accommodation type of people admitted to residential aged care services or other

institutional care.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—accommodation type
Definition: The setting in which a person lives.

Object class: Person

Property: Accommodation type

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 House or flat

2 Independent unit as part of retirement village

or similar

3 Hostel or hostel type accommodation

4 Psychiatric hospital

5 Acute hospital

6 Other accommodation

7 No usual residence

## Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: The above classifications have been based on Question 16 of

Form NH5.

The Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care has introduced a new Aged Care Application and

Approval form which replaces the NH5.

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: This metadata item is not available for New South Wales State

nursing homes. As this item includes only details of physical accommodation before admission it was decided to have details of the relational basis of accommodation before admission collected as a separate metadata item (see metadata item

Admission mode).

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National minimum data set working parties

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Type of usual accommodation, version 1, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

 $Admitted\ patient\ mental\ health\ care\ NMDS\ NHIG,\ Superseded$ 

07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005
Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS NHIG, Superseded

23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006 Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG,

Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# Type of visit to emergency department

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—

type of visit to emergency department, code N

METeOR identifier: 270362

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The reason the patient presents to an emergency department, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode—

type of visit to emergency department

Definition: The reason the patient presents to an emergency department.

Context: Hospital non-admitted patient care

Object class: Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode

Property: Type of visit to emergency department

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code
Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Emergency presentation: attendance for an actual or suspected condition which is sufficiently serious to require acute

unscheduled care.

2 Return visit, planned: presentation is planned

and is a result of a previous emergency department presentation or return visit.

3 Pre-arranged admission: a patient who presents

at the emergency department for either clerical, nursing or medical processes to be undertaken, and admission has been pre-arranged by the referring medical officer and a bed allocated.

4 Patient in transit: the emergency department is

responsible for care and treatment of a patient

awaiting transport to another facility.

5 Dead on arrival: a patient who is dead on arrival at the emergency department.

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Required for analysis of emergency department services.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Institution Based Ambulatory Model Reference Group

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Comments:

Related metadata references: Supersedes Type of visit to emergency department, version 2,

DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

07/12/2005

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

NHIG, Superseded 24/03/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2007-

2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# **Urgency of admission**

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Episode of admitted patient care—admission urgency status,

code N

METeOR identifier: 269986

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether the **admission** has an urgency status assigned and, if

so, whether admission occurred on an emergency basis, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Episode of admitted patient care—admission urgency status

Definition: Whether the admission has an urgency status assigned and, if

so, whether **admission** occurred on an emergency basis. An emergency admission is an admission of a patient for care or treatment which, in the opinion of the treating clinician, is necessary and admission for which should occur within 24

hours.

An elective admission is an admission of a patient for care or treatment which, in the opinion of the treating clinician, is necessary and admission for which can be delayed for at least 24 hours.

Admissions for which an urgency status is usually not assigned are:

admissions for normal delivery (obstetric)

 admissions which begin with the birth of the patient, or when it was intended that the birth occur in the hospital, commence shortly after the birth of the patient

statistical admissions

 planned readmissions for the patient to receive limited care or treatment for a current condition, for example dialysis or chemotherapy.

Context: Admitted patient care.

Object class: Episode of admitted patient care

Property: Admission urgency status

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Urgency status assigned - emergency
 Urgency status assigned - elective

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Urgency status assigned - emergency

Emergency admission:

The following guidelines may be used by health professionals, hospitals and health insurers in determining whether an emergency admission has occurred. These guidelines should not be considered definitive.

An emergency admission occurs if one or more of the following clinical conditions are applicable such that the patient required admission within 24 hours.

Such a patient would be:

- at risk of serious morbidity or mortality and requiring urgent assessment and/or resuscitation; or
- suffering from suspected acute organ or system failure; or
- suffering from an illness or injury where the viability or function of a body part or organ is acutely threatened; or
- suffering from a drug overdoes, toxic substance or toxin effect; or
- experiencing severe psychiatric disturbance whereby the health of the patient or other people is at immediate risk; or
- suffering severe pain where the viability or function of a body part or organ is suspected to be acutely threatened; or
- suffering acute significant haemorrhage and requiring urgent assessment and treatment; or
- suffering gynaecological or obstetric complications; or
- suffering an acute condition which represents a significant threat to the patient's physical or psychological wellbeing; or
- suffering a condition which represents a significant threat to public health.

If an admission meets the definition of emergency above, it is categorised as emergency, regardless of whether the admission occurred within 24 hours of such a categorisation being made, or after 24 hours or more.

CODE 2 Urgency status assigned - Elective

Elective admissions:

If an admission meets the definition of elective above, it is categorised as elective, regardless of whether the admission actually occurred after 24 hours or more, or it occurred within 24 hours. The distinguishing characteristic is that the admission could be delayed by at least 24 hours.

Scheduled admissions:

A patient who expects to have an elective admission will often have that admission scheduled in advance. Whether or not the admission has been scheduled does not affect the categorisation of the admission as emergency or elective, which depends only on whether it meets the definitions above. That is, patients both with and without a scheduled admission can be admitted on either an emergency or elective basis.

Admissions from elective surgery waiting lists:

Patients on waiting lists for elective surgery are assigned a Clinical urgency status which indicates the clinical assessment of the urgency with which a patient requires elective hospital care. On admission, they will also be assigned an urgency of admission category, which may or may not be elective:

- Patients who are removed from elective surgery waiting lists on admission as an elective patient for the procedure for which they were waiting (see code 1 in metadata item Reason for removal from an elective surgery waiting list code N) will be assigned an Admission urgency status code N code of 2. In that case, their clinical urgency category could be regarded as further detail on how urgent their admission was.
- Patients who are removed from elective surgery waiting lists on admission as an emergency patient for the procedure for which they were waiting (see code 2 in metadata item Reason for removal from an elective surgery waiting list code N), will be assigned an Admission urgency status code N code of 1.

CODE 3 Urgency status not assigned

Admissions for which an urgency status is usually not assigned: An urgency status can be assigned for admissions of the types listed above for which an urgency status is not usually assigned. For example, a patient who is to have an obstetric admission may have one or more of the clinical conditions listed above and be admitted on an emergency basis.

CODE 9 Not known/not reported

This code is used when it is not known whether or not an urgency status has been assigned, or when an urgency status has been assigned but is not known.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Emergency definition working party
Origin: National Health Data Committee

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Urgency of admission, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Admitted patient care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005 Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

Admitted patient care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Admitted patient care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard

23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

# **Vascular history**

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—vascular condition status (history), code NN

METeOR identifier: 269958

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: Whether the person has had a history of vascular conditions, as

represented by a code.

Context: The vascular history of the patient is important as an element in

defining future risk for a cardiovascular event and as a factor in

determining best practice management for various

cardiovascular risk factor(s).

It may be used to map vascular conditions, assist in risk stratification and link to best practice management.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—vascular condition status

Definition: Describes the vascular condition of the person.

Context: Public health, health care and clinical settings

Object class: Person

Property: Vascular condition status

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

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

Permissible values: Value Meaning

Myocardial infarctionUnstable angina pectoris

O3 Angina
O4 Heart failure
O5 Atrial fibrillation

Other dysrhythmia or conductive disorder

07 Rheumatic heart disease

08 Non-rheumatic valvular heart disease

09 Left ventricular hypertrophy

10 Stroke

11 Transient ischaemic attack

12 Hypertension

13 Peripheral vascular disease (includes

abdominal aortic aneurism)

14 Deep vein thrombosis

15	Other atherosclerotic disease
16	Carotid stenosis
17	Vascular renal disease
18	Vascular retinopathy (hypertensive)
19	Vascular retinopathy (diabetic)
97	Other vascular
98	No vascular history
99	Unknown/not stated /not specified

### Collection and usage attributes

Supplementary values:

Can be mapped to the current version of ICD-10-AM.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: International Classification of Diseases - Tenth Revision -

Australian Modification (3rd Edition 2000), National Centre for

Classification in Health, Sydney

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: More than one code can be recorded.

Collection methods: Ideally, vascular history information is derived from and

substantiated by clinical documentation.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Cardiovascular Data Working Group

Origin: National Centre for Classification in Health

National Data Standards for Injury Surveillance Advisory

Group

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Vascular history, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

07/12/2005

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

15/02/2006

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

# Vascular procedures

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—vascular procedures (history), code NN

METeOR identifier: 269962

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The vascular procedures the person has undergone, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—vascular procedure

Definition: Describes the vascular procedures the person has undergone.

Context: Public health and health care:

This metadata item is important for tracking cardiovascular

patient management against appropriate practice for

cardiovascular presentation(s) and risk factor(s) the person may

exhibit.

Object class: Person

Property: Vascular procedure

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: NN

Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

O1 Amputation for arterial vascular insufficiency

O2 Carotid endarterectomy

Carotid angioplasty/stenting
 Coronary angioplasty/stenting
 Coronary artery bypass grafting
 Renal artery angioplasty/stenting

07 Heart transplant08 Heart valve surgery

O9 Abdominal aortic aneurism repair/bypass

graft/stenting

10 Cerebral circulation angioplasty/stenting 11 Femoral/popliteal bypass/graft/stenting 12 Congenital heart and blood vessel defect

surgery

13 Permanent pacemaker implantation

14 Implantable cardiac defibrillator

98 Other

## **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: Ideally, Vascular procedure information is derived from and

substantiated by clinical documentation.

Comments: In settings where the monitoring of a person's health is ongoing

and where a history can change over time (such as general

practice), the Service contact—service contact date,

DDMMYYYY should be recorded.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Cardiovascular Data Working Group

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Origin: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2001. Heart,

stroke and vascular diseases - Australian facts 2001. AIHW Cat. No. CVD 13. Canberra: AIHW, National Heart foundation of Australia, National Stroke Foundation of Australia (CVD Series

No. 14)

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Vascular procedures, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

15/02/2006

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

# Visual acuity (left eye)

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—visual acuity (left eye), code NN

METeOR identifier: 269963

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: A person's left eye visual acuity, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—visual acuity

Definition: The visual acuity test measures the smallest letters that a person

can read on a standardised chart at a distance of 6 metres (20

feet) wearing glasses if needed.

Context: Public health, health care and clinical settings.

Object class: Person

Property: Visual acuity

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

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

Permissible values: Value Meaning

01 6/502 6/603 6/96/1204 05 6/186/2406 6/3607 6/60 08

09 CF (count fingers)
10 HM (hand movement)
11 PL (perceive light)

12 BL (blind) 13 6/7.5

Supplementary values: 99 Not stated/inadequately described

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record actual result for both right and left eyes:

- 1st field: Right eye
- 2nd field: Left eye.

Test wearing distance glasses if prescribed.

Use pinhole if vision less than 6/6.

Collection methods:

One of the most often utilised tests for visual acuity uses the Snellen chart.

- At a distance of 6 metres all subjects should be able to read the 6/6 line with each eye using the proper refractive correction.
- Both eyes are to be opened and then cover one eye with the ocular occluder.
- The observer has to read out the smallest line of letters that he/she can see from the chart.
- This is to be repeated with the other eye.

Eye examination should be performed by an ophthalmologist or a suitably trained clinician:

- within five years of diagnosis and then every 1-2 years for patients whose diabetes onset was at age under 30 years
- at diagnosis and then every 1-2 years for patients whose diabetes onset was at age 30 years or more.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Diabetes Outcomes Quality Review Initiative

(NDOQRIN) data dictionary

Reference documents: Vision Australia, No 2, 1997/8; University of Melbourne

World Health Organization
US National Library of Medicine

Diabetes Control and Complications Trial: DCCT New England

Journal of Medicine, 329(14), September 30, 1993

Principles of Care and Guidelines for the Clinical Management

of Diabetes Mellitus

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Visual acuity, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

See also Person—visual acuity (right eye), code NN NHIG,

Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005 Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

Information specific to this data set:

Patients with diabetes have an increased risk of developing several eye complications including retinopathy, cataract and glaucoma that can lead to loss of vision. Regular eye checkups are important for patients suffering from diabetes mellitus. This helps to detect and treat abnormalities early and to avoid or postpone vision-threatening complications. Assessment by an ophthalmologist is essential:

- at initial examination if the corrected visual acuity is less than 6/6 in either eye
- if at subsequent examinations declining visual acuity is detected

- if any retinal abnormality is detected
- if clear view of retina is not obtained.

# Visual acuity (right eye)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—visual acuity (right eye), code NN

METeOR identifier: 270381

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: A person's right eye visual acuity, as represented by a code.

## **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Person—visual acuity

Definition: The visual acuity test measures the smallest letters that a person

can read on a standardised chart at a distance of 6 metres (20

feet) wearing glasses if needed.

Context: Public health, health care and clinical settings.

Object class: Person

Property: Visual acuity

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: NN

Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values: Value Meaning

01 6/502 6/603 6/96/1204 05 6/186/2406 6/3607 6/60 08

09 CF (count fingers)
10 HM (hand movement)
11 PL (perceive light)

12 BL (blind) 13 6/7.5

Supplementary values: 99 Not stated/inadequately described

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record actual result for both right and left eyes:

- 1st field: Right eye
- 2nd field: Left eye.

Test wearing distance glasses if prescribed.

Use pinhole if vision less than 6/6.

Collection methods:

One of the most often utilised tests for visual acuity uses the Snellen chart.

- At a distance of 6 metres all subjects should be able to read the 6/6 line with each eye using the proper refractive correction.
- Both eyes are to be opened and then cover one eye with the ocular occluder.
- The observer has to read out the smallest line of letters that he/she can see from the chart.
- This is to be repeated with the other eye.

Eye examination should be performed by an ophthalmologist or a suitably trained clinician:

- within five years of diagnosis and then every 1-2 years for patients whose diabetes onset was at age under 30 years
- at diagnosis and then every 1-2 years for patients whose diabetes onset was at age 30 years or more.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Diabetes Outcomes Quality Review Initiative

(NDOQRIN) data dictionary

Reference documents: Vision Australia, No 2, 1997/8; University of Melbourne

World Health Organization
US National Library of Medicine

Diabetes Control and Complications Trial: DCCT New England

Journal of Medicine, 329(14), September 30, 1993

Principles of Care and Guidelines for the Clinical Management

of Diabetes Mellitus

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also Person—visual acuity (left eye), code NN NHIG,

Standard 01/03/2005

Supersedes Visual acuity, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005 Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

Information specific to this data set:

Patients with diabetes have an increased risk of developing several eye complications including retinopathy, cataract and glaucoma that can lead to loss of vision. Regular eye checkups are important for patients suffering from diabetes mellitus. This helps to detect and treat abnormalities early and to avoid or postpone vision-threatening complications. Assessment by an ophthalmologist is essential:

- at initial examination if the corrected visual acuity is less than 6/6 in either eye
- if at subsequent examinations declining visual acuity is detected

- if any retinal abnormality is detected
- if clear view of retina is not obtained.

# Waist circumference (measured)

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—waist circumference (measured), total centimetres

NN[N].N

METeOR identifier: 270129

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: A person's waist circumference measured in centimetres.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—waist circumference

Definition: A person's waist circumference measured half way between the

inferior margin of the last rib and the crest of the ilium in the

mid-axillary plane.

Context: Public health, health care and clinical settings:

Originally used in the calculation of Waist-to-hip ratio which requires the measurement of hip circumference and waist circumference as a predictor of obesity-related morbidity and mortality. More recently it has been used in its own right as an

indicator of risk associated with excess abdominal fat.

Object class: Person

Property: Waist circumference

### Collection and usage attributes

Comments: This metadata item applies to persons of all ages.

There is evidence that waist circumference alone might be used to identify people at health risk both from being overweight and from having a central fat distribution (Lean et al. 1995; Han et al. 1995; Pouliot et al. 1994; Seidell et al. 1992). It has been suggested that waist circumference as an index of truncal adiposity in adults may have certain advantages over other measurements of adiposity in predicting obesity related diseases. However, among children and adolescents, waist circumference measures should only be used as a measure of variation in an individual. As yet, no age appropriate cut-off points indicative of risk factors have been developed for use

among children and adolescents.

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: NN[N].N

Maximum character length: 4

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

999.9 Not measured

Unit of measure: Centimetre (cm)

### **Data element attributes**

### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

The collection of anthropometric measurements, particularly in those who are overweight or obese or who are concerned about their weight, should be performed with great sensitivity, and without drawing attention to an individual's weight.

The measurement protocol described below is that recommended by the World Health Organization (WHO Expert Committee 1995) which was adapted from Lohman et al. (1988) and the International Society for the Advancement of Kinanthropometry as described by Norton et al. (1996). In order to ensure consistency in measurement, the following

Measurement protocol:

measurement protocol should be used.

The measurement of waist circumference requires a narrow (
The subject should remove any belts and heavy outer clothing.
Measurement of waist circumference should be taken over at
most one layer of light clothing. Ideally the measure is made
directly over the skin.

The subject stands comfortably with weight evenly distributed on both feet, and the feet separated about 25-30 cm. The arms should hang loosely at the sides. Posture can affect waist circumference. The measurement is taken midway between the inferior margin of the last rib and the crest of the ilium, in the mid-axillary plane. Each landmark should be palpated and marked, and the midpoint determined with a tape measure and marked.

The circumference is measured with an inelastic tape maintained in a horizontal plane, at the end of normal expiration. The tape is snug, but does not compress underlying soft tissues. The measurer is positioned by the side of the subject to read the tape. To ensure contiguity of the two parts of the tape from which the circumference is to be determined, the cross-handed technique of measurement, as described by Norton et al. (1996), should be used. Ideally an assistant will check the position of the tape on the opposite side of the subject's body.

The measurement is recorded at the end of a normal expiration to the nearest 0.1 cm. Take a repeat measurement and record it to the nearest 0.1 cm. If the two measurements disagree by more than 1 cm, take a third measurement. All raw measurements should be recorded on the data collection form. If practical, it is preferable to enter the raw data into the database as this enables intra-observer and, where relevant, inter-observer errors to be assessed. The subject's measured waist circumference is subsequently calculated as the mean of the two observations, or the mean of the two closest measurements if a third is taken, and recorded on the form. If only a mean value is entered into the database then the data collection forms should be retained.

It may be necessary to round the mean value to the nearest 0.1 cm. If so, rounding should be to the nearest even digit to reduce systematic over-reporting (Armitage & Berry 1994). For example, a mean value of 72.25 cm would be rounded to 72.2

cm, while a mean value of 72.35 cm would be rounded to 72.4 cm

Validation and quality control measures:

Steel tapes should be checked against a 1 metre engineer's rule every 12 months. If tapes other than steel are used they should be checked daily against a steel rule.

Within- and, if relevant, between-observer variability should be reported. They can be assessed by the same (within -) or different (between-) observers repeating the measurement, on the same subjects, under standard conditions after a short time interval. The standard deviation of replicate measurements (technical error of measurement (Pederson & Gore 1996) between observers should not exceed 2% and be less than 1.5% within observers.

Extreme values at the lower and upper end of the distribution of measured waist circumference should be checked both during data collection and after data entry. Individuals should not be excluded on the basis of true biological difference.

Last-digit preference, and preference or avoidance of certain values, should be analysed in the total sample and (if relevant) by observer, survey site and over time if the survey period is long.

This metadata item is recommended for use in population surveys and health care settings.

It is recommended that in population surveys, sociodemographic data including ethnicity should be collected, as well as other risk factors including physiological status (e.g. pregnancy), physical activity, smoking and alcohol consumption. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for these variables.

National health metadata items currently exist for sex, date of birth, country of birth, Indigenous status and smoking. Metadata items are being developed for physical activity. Presentation of data:

Means, 95% confidence intervals, medians and centiles should be reported to one decimal place. Where the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. However 5-year age groups are not generally suitable for children and adolescents. Estimates based on sample surveys may need to take into account sampling weights.

For consistency with conventional practice, and for current comparability with international data sets, recommended centiles are 5, 10, 15, 25, 50, 75, 85, 90 and 95. To estimate the 5th and 95th centiles, a sample size of at least 200 is recommended for each group for which the centiles are being specified.

For reporting purposes, it may be desirable to present waist circumference in categories. It is recommended that 5-cm groupings are used for this purpose. Waist circumference should not be rounded before categorisation. The following categories may be appropriate for describing the waist circumferences of Australian men, women children and adolescents, although the range will depend on the population.

Waist

35 cm = Waist

40 cm = Waist

Comments:

... in 5 cm categories 105 cm = Waist Waist => 110 cm

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: World Health Organization International Society for the

Advancement of Kinanthropometry

**Relational attributes** 

Related metadata references: Supersedes Waist circumference - measured, version 2, DE,

NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Adult—waist-to-hip ratio, N.NN

NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

15/02/2006

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

## Waist circumference risk indicator - adults

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Adult—waist circumference risk indicator, Caucasian adult

code N

METeOR identifier: 270205

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The sex specific category of risk of metabolic complications

associated with excess abdominal adiposity in adult

Caucasians, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Adult—waist circumference risk indicator

Definition: An indicator of the sex specific category of risk of metabolic

complications associated with excess abdominal adiposity in an

adult.

Context: Public health and health care:

This metadata item is used as an indicator of risk of metabolic

complications associated with overweight and obesity

including dyslipidaemia, glucose intolerance and hypertension. On a population basis there is a strong association between abdominal obesity and health risk. Body fat distribution has emerged as an important predictor of obesity-related morbidity and mortality. Abdominal obesity, which is more common in men than women, has, in epidemiological studies, been closely associated with conditions such as coronary heart disease, stroke, non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus and high blood pressure. Waist circumference as an indicator of risk can be used:

- to indicate the prevalence of abdominal obesity and its sociodemographic distribution (problem identification);
- to evaluate health promotion and disease prevention programs (assessment of interventions);
- to monitor progress towards national public health policy;
- to ascertain determinants and consequences of abdominal obesity; and
- in nutrition and physical activity surveillance and longterm planning.

Waist circumference is a convenient and simple measurement that is unrelated to height, correlates closely with body mass index (BMI) and waist-to-hip ratio (WHR) and is an approximate index of intra-abdominal fat mass and total body fat. Changes in waist circumference can reflect changes in risk factors for cardiovascular disease and other forms of chronic disease, even though the risks seem to vary in different

populations.

Object class: Adult

Property: Waist circumference risk indicator

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code Number Data type:

Format: Maximum character length: 1

Permissible values: Value Meaning

> Not at risk (male waist circumference 1

2 Increased (male waist circumference >= 94 cm.

female waist circumference >= 80 cm)

3 Substantially increased (male waist

circumference >= 102 cm, female waist

circumference >= 88 cm)

Supplementary values: 9 Not stated/inadequately described

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item cannot be determined if waist

circumference measured has not been collected (i.e. is coded to

999.9) and/or sex is not stated (i.e. coded to 9).

This metadata item applies to persons aged 18 years or older.

Collection methods: This metadata item should be derived after the data entry of

> waist circumference measured. It should be stored on the raw data set as a continuous variable and should not be aggregated

or rounded.

Comments: This metadata item is recommended for use in population

surveys and health care settings.

Recent evidence suggests that waist circumference may provide a more practical correlate of abdominal fat distribution and

associated ill health.

The identification of risk using waist circumference is population-specific and will depend on levels of obesity and other risk factors for cardiovascular disease and non-insulin

dependant diabetes mellitus.

Populations differ in the level of risk associated with a particular waist circumference, so that globally applicable cutoff points cannot be developed. For example, complications associated with abdominal fat in black women and those of South Asian descent are markedly higher for a given level of BMI than in Europeans. Also, although women have almost the same absolute risk of coronary heart disease as men at the same WHR, they show increases in relative risk of coronary heart disease at lower waist circumferences than men. Thus, there is a need to develop sex-specific waist circumference cut-off points appropriate for different populations. Hence, the cut-off points used for this metadata item are associated with obesity in Caucasians. This issue is being investigated further.

Cut-off points for children and adolescents are also being developed. Research shows that a high childhood BMI and high trunk skin fold values are predictive of abdominal obesity as an adult and waist circumference measures in childhood track well

into adulthood.

It is recommended that in population surveys, sociodemographic data including ethnicity should be collected, as well as other risk factors including physiological status (e.g. pregnancy), physical activity, smoking and alcohol consumption. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for these variables.

National health metadata item currently exist for sex, date of birth, country of birth and Indigenous status and smoking. Metadata items are being developed for physical activity.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: World Health Organization

Reference documents: Obesity: Preventing and Managing the Global Epidemic: Report

of a World Health Organization (WHO) Expert Committee. Geneva: WHO, 2000 as described by Han TS et al (1995)

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Waist circumference risk indicator - adults, version

1, Derived DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

# Waist-to-hip ratio

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Adult—waist-to-hip ratio, N.NN

METeOR identifier: 270207

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: A ratio calculated by dividing the waist circumference of an

adult person by the hip circumference of that same person.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Adult—waist-to-hip ratio

Definition: A ratio calculated by dividing the waist circumference of an

adult person by the hip circumference of that same person.

Context: Public health and health care

Object class: Adult

Property: Waist-to-hip ratio

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Ratio

Data type: Number

Format: N.NN

Maximum character length: 3

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Formula:

WHR = waist circumference (cm) divided by hip circumference

(cm).

Adult WHR is a continuous variable. Adult WHR cannot be calculated if either component necessary for its calculation (i.e. abdominal circumference or hip circumference) has not been

collected (i.e. is coded to 999.9).

Collection methods: As there are no cut-off points for waist to hip ratio for children

and adolescents, it is not necessary to calculate this item for

those aged under 18 years.

Waist-to-hip ratio (WHR) should be derived after the data entry of waist circumference and hip circumference. It should be stored on the raw data set as a continuous variable and should

not be aggregated or rounded.

Comments: Adult cut-off points for WHR, that may define increased risk of

cardiovascular disease and all cause mortality, range from 0.9 to 1.0 for men and 0.8 to 0.9 for women (Croft et al. 1995, Bray 1987, Bjorntorp 1985). These values are based primarily on evidence of increased risk of death in European populations, and may not be appropriate for all age and ethnic groups.

In Australia and New Zealand, the cutoffs of >0.9 for males and >0.8 for females were used in the Australian Bureau of Statistics' 1995 National Nutrition Survey.

This metadata item applies to persons aged 18 years or older as no cut off points have been developed for children and adolescents. It is recommended for use in population surveys and health care settings.

More recently it has emerged that waist circumference alone, or in combination with other metabolic measures, is a better indicator of risk and reduces the errors in WHR measurements. WHR is therefore no longer a commonly used measure.

It is recommended that in population surveys, sociodemographic data including ethnicity should be collected, as well as other risk factors including physiological status (e.g. pregnancy), physical activity, smoking and alcohol consumption. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for these variables.

Body fat distribution has emerged as an important predictor of obesity-related morbidity and mortality. Abdominal obesity, which is more common in men than women, has, in epidemiological studies, been closely associated with conditions such as coronary heart disease, stroke, non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus and high blood pressure.

Waist- to-hip ratio (WHR) can be used:

- to indicate the prevalence of abdominal obesity and its sociodemographic distribution (problem identification)
- to evaluate health promotion and disease prevention programs (assessment of interventions)
- to monitor progress towards national public health policy
- to ascertain determinants and consequences of abdominal obesity - in nutrition and physical activity surveillance and long-term planning.

Presentation of data:

Means, 95% confidence intervals, medians and centiles should be reported to one decimal place. Where the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Estimates based on sample surveys may need to take into account sampling weights.

For consistency with conventional practice, and for current comparability with international data sets, recommended centiles are 5, 10, 15, 25, 50, 75, 85, 90 and 95. To estimate the 5th and 95th centiles, a sample size of at least 200 is recommended for each group for which the centiles are being specified.

### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

National Centre for Monitoring Cardiovascular Disease

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Waist-to-hip ratio, version 2, Derived DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Is formed using Person—waist circumference (measured), total

centimetres NN[N].N NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is formed using Person—hip circumference (measured), total

centimetres NN[N].N NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005	

# Waiting list category

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Elective care waiting list episode—elective care type, code N

METeOR identifier: 335048

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Definition: The type of elective hospital care that a patient requires, as

represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Elective care waiting list episode—elective care type

Definition: The type of elective hospital care that a patient requires.

Context: Admitted patients:

Hospitals maintain waiting lists which may include patients awaiting hospital care other than elective surgery - for example,

dental surgery and oncology treatments.

This metadata item is necessary to distinguish patients awaiting elective surgery from those awaiting other types of elective hospital care. The waiting period for patients awaiting transplant or obstetric procedures is largely independent of

system resource factors.

Object class: Elective care waiting list episode

Property: Elective care type

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1
Permissible values: Value Meaning

1 Elective surgery

2 Other

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Elective surgery comprises elective care where the procedures

required by patients are listed in the surgical operations section of the Medicare benefits schedule, with the exclusion of specific

procedures frequently done by non-surgical clinicians.

Elective care is care that, in the opinion of the treating clinician, is necessary and admission for which can be delayed for at least

twenty-four hours. CODE 2 Other

Patients awaiting the following procedures should be classified

as Code 2 - other:

• organ or tissue transplant procedures

- procedures associated with obstetrics (e.g. elective caesarean section, cervical suture)
- cosmetic surgery, i.e. when the procedure will not attract a Medicare rebate
- biopsy of:

kidney (needle only)

lung (needle only)

liver and gall bladder (needle only)

- bronchoscopy (including fibre-optic bronchoscopy)
- peritoneal renal dialysis;
- haemodialysis
- colonoscopy
- endoscopic retrograde cholangio-pancreatography (ERCP)
- endoscopy of:

biliary tract

oesophagus

small intestine

stomach

- endovascular interventional procedures
- gastroscopy
- miscellaneous cardiac procedures
- oesophagoscopy
- panendoscopy (except when involving the bladder)
- proctosigmoidoscopy
- sigmoidoscopy
- anoscopy
- urethroscopy and associated procedures
- dental procedures not attracting a Medicare rebate
- other diagnostic and non-surgical procedures.

These procedure terms are also defined by the Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) codes which are listed under Comments below. This coded list is the recommended, but optional, method for determining whether a patient is classified as requiring elective surgery or other care.

CODE 1 Elective surgery

All other elective surgery should be included in this code.

The table of Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) (5th edition) procedure codes was prepared by the National Centre for Classification in Health. Some codes were excluded from the list on the basis that they are usually performed by non-surgeon clinicians. A more extensive and detailed listing of procedure descriptors is under development. This will replace the list in the Guide for use to facilitate more readily the identification of the exclusions when the list of codes is not used.

ACHI CODES FOR THE EXCLUDED PROCEDURES:

Organ or tissue transplant:

 $90172\text{-}00\ [555]\ 90172\text{-}01\ [555]\ 90204\text{-}00\ [659]\ 90204\text{-}01\ [659]$ 

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Comments:

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### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: National Centre for Classification in Health (NCCH) 2006. The

Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) – Fifth Edition - Tabular list of interventions and Alphabetic index of interventions. Sydney: NCCH, Faculty of Health Sciences, The

University of Sydney.

### **Data element attributes**

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Hospital Access Program Waiting Lists Working Group

Waiting Times Working Group

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Elective care waiting list episode—elective care

type, code N NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

# Waiting time at a census date

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time (at a census

date), total days N[NNN]

METeOR identifier: 269961

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The time elapsed (in days) for a patient on the elective surgery

waiting list from the date they were added to the waiting list to

a designated census date.

Context: Elective surgery

## Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time

Definition: The time elapsed for a patient waiting for elective surgery from

the date they were added to the waiting list for the procedure.

Object class: Elective surgery waiting list episode

Property: Waiting time

### Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[NNN]

Maximum character length: 4
Unit of measure: Day

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The number of days is calculated by subtracting the Elective

care waiting list episode—listing date for care, DDMMYYYY

from the Hospital census (of elective surgery waitlist

patients)—census date, DDMMYYYY, minus any days when the patient was 'not ready for care', and also minus any days the patient was waiting with a less urgent clinical urgency category

than their clinical urgency category at the census date.

Days when the patient was not ready for care is calculated by subtracting the date(s) the person was recorded as 'not ready for care' from the date(s) the person was subsequently recorded

as again being 'ready for care'.

If, at any time since being added to the waiting list for the elective surgical procedure, the patient has had a less urgent clinical urgency category than the category at the census date, then the number of days waited at the less urgent Elective surgery waiting list episode—clinical urgency, code N category should be subtracted from the total number of days waited.

In cases where there has been only one category reassignment (i.e. to the more urgent category attached to the patient at census date) the number of days at the less urgent clinical urgency category should be calculated by subtracting the Elective care waiting list episode—listing date for care, DDMMYYYY from the Elective care waiting list episode—category reassignment date, DDMMYYYY. If the patient's clinical urgency was reclassified more than once, days spent in each period of less urgent clinical urgency than the one applying at the census date should be calculated by subtracting one Elective care waiting list episode—category reassignment date, DDMMYYYY from the subsequent Elective care waiting list episode—category reassignment date, DDMMYYYY, and then adding the days together.

When a patient is admitted from an elective surgery waiting list but the surgery is cancelled and the patient remains on or is placed back on the waiting list within the same hospital, the time waited on the list should continue. Therefore at the census date the patient's waiting time includes the number of days waited on an elective surgery waiting list, both before and after any cancelled surgery admission. The time waited before the cancelled surgery should be counted as part of the total time waited by the patient.

Elective surgery waiting times data collections include measures of waiting times at removal and at designated census dates. This metadata item is used to measure waiting times at a designated census date whereas the metadata item Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time (at removal), total days N[NNN] measures waiting times at removal.

The calculation of waiting times for patients who are transferred from an elective surgery waiting list managed by one public acute hospital to another will be investigated in the future. In this case, the amount of time waited on previous lists should follow the patient to the next. Therefore at the census date, their waiting time includes the total number of days on all lists (less days not ready for care and days in lower urgency categories).

This is a critical elective surgery waiting times metadata item. It is used to determine whether patients are overdue, or had extended waits at a census date. It is used to assist doctors and patients in making decisions about hospital referral, to assist in the planning and management of hospitals and in health care related research.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: National Health Data Committee

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is formed using Elective surgery waiting list episode—patient

listing status, readiness for care code N NHIG, Standard

01/03/2005

Is formed using Hospital census (of elective surgery waitlist patients)—census date, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard

01/03/2005

Is formed using Elective care waiting list episode—listing date

Comments:

for care, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Is formed using Elective care waiting list episode—category reassignment date, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Supersedes Waiting time at a census date, version 2, Derived DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005 Is used in the formation of Elective surgery waiting list episode—overdue patient status, code N NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Elective surgery waiting list episode—extended wait patient indicator, code N NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 30/09/2006

Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 30/09/2002 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

# Waiting time at removal from elective surgery waiting list

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time (at

removal), total days N[NNN]

METeOR identifier: 269960

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The time elapsed (in days) for a patient on the elective surgery

waiting list from the date they were added to the waiting list for the procedure to the date they were removed from the waiting

list.

Context: Elective surgery

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time

Definition: The time elapsed for a patient waiting for elective surgery from

the date they were added to the waiting list for the procedure.

Object class: Elective surgery waiting list episode

Property: Waiting time

### Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Total
Data type: Number
Format: N[NNN]

Maximum character length: 4
Unit of measure: Day

# Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The number of days is calculated by subtracting the listing date

for care from the removal date, minus any days when the patient was 'not ready for care', and also minus any days the patient was waiting with a less urgent clinical urgency category

than their clinical urgency category at removal.

Days when the patient was not ready for care is calculated by subtracting the date(s) the person was recorded as 'not ready for care' from the date(s) the person was subsequently recorded

as again being 'ready for care'.

If, at any time since being added to the waiting list for the elective surgical procedure, the patient has had a less urgent clinical urgency category than the category at removal, then the number of days waited at the less urgent clinical urgency category should be subtracted from the total number of days

waited.

In cases where there has been only one category reassignment

(i.e. to the more urgent category attached to the patient at removal) the number of days at the less urgent clinical urgency category should be calculated by subtracting the listing date for care from the category reassignment date. If the patient's clinical urgency was reclassified more than once, days spent in each period of less urgent clinical urgency than the one applying at removal should be calculated by subtracting one category reassignment date from the subsequent category reassignment date, and then adding the days together.

When a patient is removed from an elective surgery waiting list, for admission on an elective basis for the procedure they were awaiting, but the surgery is cancelled and the patient remains on or is placed back on the waiting list within the same hospital, the time waited on the list should continue.

Therefore at the removal date, the patient's waiting time includes the number of days waited on an elective surgery waiting list, both before and after any cancelled surgery admission. The time waited before the cancelled surgery should be counted as part of the total time waited by the patient.

Elective surgery waiting times data collections include measures of waiting times at removal and at designated census dates. This metadata item is used to measure waiting times at removal whereas the metadata item waiting time at a census date measures waiting times at a designated census date.

The calculation of waiting times for patients, who are transferred from an elective surgery waiting list managed by one public acute hospital to another, will be investigated in the future. In this case, the amount of time waited on previous lists would follow the patient to the next. Therefore when the patient is removed from the waiting list (for admission or other reason), their waiting time would include the total number of days on all lists (less days not ready for care and days in lower urgency categories).

This is a critical elective surgery waiting times metadata item. It is used to determine whether patients were overdue, or had extended waits when they were removed from the waiting list. It is used to assist doctors and patients in making decisions about hospital referral, to assist in the planning and management of hospitals and in health care related research.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: National Health Data Committee

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Waiting time at removal from elective surgery

waiting list, version 2, Derived DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Is formed using Elective care waiting list episode—category reassignment date, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Is formed using Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting list removal date, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Is formed using Episode of admitted patient care—admission

date, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is formed using Elective care waiting list episode—listing date

Comments:

for care, DDMMYYYY NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Is used in the formation of Elective surgery waiting list episode—overdue patient status, code N NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Elective surgery waiting list episode—extended wait patient indicator, code N NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS NHIG, Standard 07/12/2005

Implementation start date: 01/07/2006

Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2002 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

# Weight (self-reported)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—weight (self-reported), total kilograms NN[N]

METeOR identifier: 302365

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 14/07/2005

Definition: A person's self-reported weight (body mass).

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—weight

Definition: The body mass of a person.

Context: Public health and health care:

Weight is an overall measure of body size that does not distinguish between fat and muscle. Weight is an indicator of nutrition status and health status. Low pre-pregnancy weight is an indicator of poorer gestational outcome in women (Kramer 1988). Low weight is also associated with osteoporosis. In general, change in weight is of interest in adults because it is an indicator of changing health status. Self reported or parentally reported weight for children and adolescents should be used cautiously if at all. It enables the calculation of body mass index which requires the measurement of height and weight (body

mass) for adults.

Object class: Person
Property: Weight

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: NN[N]

Maximum character length: 3

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

888 Unknown999 Not stated

Unit of measure: Kilogram (Kg)

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 888 Unknown

Use this code if self-reported body mass (weight) is unknown.

CODE 999 Not stated

Use this code if self-reported body mass (weight) is not

responded to.

#### **Data element attributes**

# Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

The method of data collection, e.g. face to face interview, telephone interview or self-completion questionnaire, can affect survey estimates and should be reported.

The data collection form should include a question asking the respondent what their weight is. For example, the ABS National Health Survey 1989-90 included the question 'How much do you weigh without clothes and shoes?'. The data collection form should allow for both metric (to the nearest 1 kg) and imperial (to the nearest 1 lb) units to be recorded.

If practical, it is preferable to enter the raw data into the data base before conversion of measures in imperial units to metric. However, if this is not possible, weight reported in imperial units can be converted to metric prior to data entry using a conversion factor of  $0.454~\rm kg$  to the lb.

Rounding to the nearest 1 kg will be required for measures converted to metric prior to data entry, and may be required for data reported in metric units to a greater level of precision than the nearest 1 kg. The following rounding conventions are desirable to reduce systematic over reporting (Armitage and Berry 1994):

nnn.x where x

nnn.x where x > 5 - round up, e.g. 72.7 kg would be rounded to 73 kg.

nnn.x where x=5 - round to the nearest even number, e.g. 72.5 kg would be rounded to 72 kg, while 73.5 kg would be rounded to 74 kg.

This metadata item is recommended for persons aged 18 years or older. It is recommended for use in population surveys when it is not possible to measure weight.

It is recommended that in population surveys, sociodemographic data including ethnicity should be collected, as well as other risk factors including physiological status (e.g. pregnancy), physical activity, smoking and alcohol consumption. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for these variables. Metadata items currently exist for sex, date of birth, country of birth, Indigenous status and smoking. Metadata items are being developed for physical activity.

Presentation of data:

Means and 95% confidence intervals, medians and centiles should be reported to one decimal place. Where the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. Estimates based on sample surveys may need to take into account sampling weights.

For consistency with conventional practice, and for current comparability with international data sets, recommended centiles are 5, 10, 15, 25, 50, 75, 85, 90 and 95. To estimate the 5th and 95th centiles, a sample size of at least 200 is recommended for each group for which the centiles are being specified.

For some reporting purposes, it may be desirable to present weight data in categories. It is recommended that 5 kg groupings are used for this purpose. Weight data should not be rounded before categorisation. The following categories may be appropriate for describing the weights of Australian men and women, although the range will depend on the population. The

Comments:

World Health Organization's range for weight is 30-140 kg.

Weight

30 kg = Weight 35 kg = Weight ... in 5 kg categories 135 kg = Weight

Weight  $\Rightarrow$  140 kg

On average, body mass (weight) tends to be underestimated when self-reported by respondents. Data for men and women aged 20-69 years in 1989 indicated that men underestimated by an average of 0.2 kg (sem of 0.05 kg) and women by an average of 0.4 kg (sem of 0.04 kg) (Waters 1993). The extent of underestimation varied with age.

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Centre for Monitoring Cardiovascular Disease

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

National Health Data Committee

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Weight - self-reported, version 2, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Supersedes Adult—weight (self-reported), total kilograms

NN[N] NHIG, Superseded 14/07/2005

Is used in the formation of Child—body mass index (self-reported), ratio NN[N].N[N] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Is used in the formation of Adult—body mass index (self-reported), ratio NN[N].N[N] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

07/12/2005

Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

07/12/2005

# Weight in grams (measured)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person—weight (measured), total grams NNNN

Synonymous names: Infant weight, neonate, stillborn

METeOR identifier: 310245

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The weight (body mass) of a person measured in grams.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person—weight

Definition: The body mass of a person.

Context: Public health and health care:

Weight is an overall measure of body size that does not distinguish between fat and muscle. Weight is an indicator of nutrition status and health status. Low pre-pregnancy weight is an indicator of poorer gestational outcome in women (Kramer 1988). Low weight is also associated with osteoporosis. In general, change in weight is of interest in adults because it is an indicator of changing health status. Self reported or parentally reported weight for children and adolescents should be used cautiously if at all. It enables the calculation of body mass index which requires the measurement of height and weight (body

mass) for adults.

Object class: Person
Property: Weight

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: NNNN

Maximum character length: 4

Unit of measure: Gram (g)

# **Data element attributes**

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—

major diagnostic category, code (AR-DRG v5.1) NN NHIG,

Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care—diagnosis related group, code (AR-DRG v5.1) ANNA NHIG,

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Standard 01/03/2005

Admitted patient care NMDS NHIG, Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

Admitted patient care NMDS 2006-2007 NHIG, Superseded 23/10/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006 *Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

Admitted patient care NMDS 2007-2008 NHIG, Standard 23/10/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

Information specific to this data set:

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

Weight on the date the infant is admitted should be recorded if the weight is less than or equal to 9000g and age is less than 365 days.

# Weight in kilograms (measured)

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: **Data Element** 

Technical name: Person—weight (measured), total kilograms N[NN].N

Synonymous names: Infant weight, neonate, stillborn

METeOR identifier: 270208

NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Registration status:

Definition: The weight (body mass) of a person measured in kilograms.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Person-weight

Definition: The body mass of a person. Context: Public health and health care:

> Weight is an overall measure of body size that does not distinguish between fat and muscle. Weight is an indicator of nutrition status and health status. Low pre-pregnancy weight is an indicator of poorer gestational outcome in women (Kramer 1988). Low weight is also associated with osteoporosis. In general, change in weight is of interest in adults because it is an indicator of changing health status. Self reported or parentally reported weight for children and adolescents should be used cautiously if at all. It enables the calculation of body mass index which requires the measurement of height and weight (body mass) for adults.

Person

Object class: Property: Weight

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: **Total** Data type: Number Format: N[NN].N

Maximum character length:

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

> 999.9 Not collected

Unit of measure: Kilogram (Kg)

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: A continuous variable measured to the nearest 0.1 kg.

CODE 999.9 Not collected

Use this code if measured weight is not collected.

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: In order to ensure consistency in measurement, the measurement protocol described under Collection methods should be used.

Collection methods:

The collection of anthropometric measurements, particularly in those who are overweight or obese or who are concerned about their weight, should be performed with great sensitivity and without drawing attention to an individual's weight.

The measurement protocol described below is that recommended by the WHO Expert Committee (1995).

#### Measurement protocol:

Equipment used should be described and reported. Scales should have a resolution of at least 0.1kg and should have the capacity to weigh up to at least 200 kg. Measurement intervals and labels should be clearly readable under all conditions of use of the instrument. Scales should be capable of being calibrated across the entire range of measurements. Precision error should be no more than 0.1kg. Scales should be calibrated on each day of use. Manufacturers' guidelines should be followed with regard to the transportation of the scales.

Adults and children who can stand:

The subject stands over the centre of the weighing instrument, with the body weight evenly distributed between both feet. Heavy jewellery should be removed and pockets emptied. Light indoor clothing can be worn, excluding shoes, belts, and sweater. Any variations from light indoor clothing (e.g. heavy clothing, such as kaftans or coats worn because of cultural practices) should be noted on the data collection form. Adjustments for non-standard clothing (i.e. other than light indoor clothing) should only be made in the data checking/cleaning stage prior to data analysis.

If the subject has had one or more limbs amputated, record this on the data collection form and weigh them as they are. If they are wearing an artificial limb, record this on the data collection form but do not ask them to remove it. Similarly, if they are not wearing the limb, record this but do not ask them to put it on. The measurement is recorded to the nearest 0.1 kg. If the scales do not have a digital readout, take a repeat measurement. If the two measurements disagree by more than 0.5 kg, then take a third measurement. All raw measurements should be recorded on the data collection form. If practical, it is preferable to enter the raw data into the database as this enables intra-observer and, where relevant, inter-observer errors to be assessed. The subject's measured weight is subsequently calculated as the mean of the two observations, or the mean of the two closest measurements if a third is taken, and recorded on the form. If only a mean value is entered into the database then the data collection forms should be retained.

It may be necessary to round the mean value to the nearest 0.1 kg. If so, rounding should be to the nearest even digit to reduce systematic over reporting (Armitage and Berry 1994). For example, a mean value of 72.25 kg would be rounded to 72.2 kg, while a mean value of 72.35 kg would be rounded to 72.4 kg. Infants:

Birth weight and gender should be recorded with gestational age. During infancy a levelled pan scale with a bean and movable weights or digital scales capable of measuring to two decimal places of a kilogram are acceptable. Birth weight

should be determined within 12 hours of birth. The infant, with or without a nappy or diaper is placed on the scales so that the weight is distributed equally about the centre of the pan. When the infant is lying or suspended quietly, weight is recorded to the nearest 10 grams. If the nappy or diaper is worn, its weight is subtracted from the observed weight i.e. reference data for infants are based on nude weights.

Validation and quality control measures:

If practical, equipment should be checked daily using one or more objects of known weight in the range to be measured. It is recommended that the scale be calibrated at the extremes and in the mid range of the expected weight of the population being studied.

Within- and, if relevant, between-observer variability should be reported. They can be assessed by the same (within -) or different (between-) observers repeating the measurement of weight, on the same subjects, under standard conditions after a short time interval. The standard deviation of replicate measurements (technical error of measurement) between observers should not exceed 0.5 kg and be less than 0.5 kg within observers.

Extreme values at the lower and upper end of the distribution of measured height should be checked both during data collection and after data entry. Individuals should not be excluded on the basis of true biological difference.

Last digit preference, and preference or avoidance of certain values, should be analysed in the total sample and (if relevant) by observer, survey site and over time if the survey period is long.

This metadata item applies to persons of all ages. It is recommended for use in population surveys and health care settings.

It is recommended that in population surveys, sociodemographic data including ethnicity should be collected, as well as other risk factors including physiological status (e.g. pregnancy), physical activity, smoking and alcohol consumption. Summary statistics may need to be adjusted for these variables.

Metadata items currently exist for sex, date of birth, country of birth, Indigenous status and smoking. Metadata items are being developed for physical activity.

Presentation of data:

Means and 95% confidence intervals, medians and centiles should be reported to one decimal place. Where the sample permits, population estimates should be presented by sex and 5-year age groups. However 5-year age groups are not generally suitable for children and adolescents. Estimates based on sample surveys may need to take into account sampling weights.

For consistency with conventional practice, and for current comparability with international data sets, recommended centiles are 5, 10, 15, 25, 50, 75, 85, 90 and 95. To estimate the 5th and 95th centiles, a sample size of at least 200 is recommended for each group for which the centiles are being specified. For some reporting purposes, it may be desirable to present weight data in categories. It is recommended that 5 kg

Comments:

groupings are used for this purpose. Weight data should not be rounded before categorisation. The following categories may be appropriate for describing the weights of Australian men, women, children and adolescents, although the range will depend on the population.

Weight

10 kg = Weight 15 kg = Weight ... in 5 kg categories 135 kg = Weight

Weight => 140 kg

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: World Health Organization The consortium to develop

standard methods for the collection and collation of

anthropometric data in children as part of the National Food and Nutrition Monitoring and Surveillance Project, funded by

the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing

Reference documents: Clinical Guidelines on the Identification, Evaluation and

Treatment of Overweight and Obesity in Adults (US National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI) in cooperation with the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney

Diseases).

Chronic Diseases and Associated Risk Factors in Australia 2001

(AIHW).

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Weight - measured, version 2, DE, NHDD, NHIMG,

Superseded 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Child—body mass index (self-reported), ratio NN[N].N[N] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Child—body mass index

(measured), ratio NN[N].N[N] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 Is used in the formation of Adult—body mass index (self-reported), ratio NN[N].N[N] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Adult—body mass index

(measured), ratio NN[N].N[N] NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

15/02/2006

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded

04/07/2007

Cardiovascular disease (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard

04/07/2007

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005 Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

Information specific to this data set:

Following Principles of Care and Guidelines for the Clinical Management of Diabetes Mellitus, body mass index (BMI) should be below 27 kg/m 2 for men and women. For adults who suffer from diabetes, the recommendation is to measure weight and calculate BMI

on the initial visit and then measure weight every 3 months. If the patient is on a weight reduction program,

weight is to be measured more frequently.

Strong evidence exists that weight loss reduces blood pressure in both overweight hypertensive and non-hypertensive individuals; reduces serum triglycerides and increases high-density lipoprotein (HDL)-cholesterol; and generally produces some reduction in total serum cholesterol and low-density lipoprotein (LDL)-cholesterol. The risk of developing diabetes rises continuously with increasing obesity (DHAC & AIHW 1999:13). An increased

increasing obesity (DHAC & AIHW 1999:13). An increased central distribution of body fat (when fatness is concentrated in the abdomen) also appears to be associated more often with Type 2 diabetes (Bishop et al. 1998:430-1).

Weight loss reduces blood glucose levels in overweight and obese persons with and without diabetes; and weight loss also reduces blood glucose levels and HbA1c in some patients with type 2 diabetes. Although there have been no prospective trials to show changes in mortality with weight loss in obese patients, reductions in risk factors would suggest that development of type 2 diabetes and CVD would be reduced with weight loss.

Weight is an overall measure of body size that does not distinguish between fat and muscle. Weight is an indicator of nutritional and health status. Low pre-pregnancy weight is an indicator of poorer gestational outcome in women (Kramer 1988). Low weight is also associated with osteoporosis. In general, change in weight in adults is of interest because it is an indicator of changing health status, and in children as it indicates changing health status and growth and development. Self-reported or parentally-reported weight for children and adolescents should be used cautiously if at all. It enables the calculation of body mass index (BMI) which requires the measurement of height and weight for adults as well as sex and date of birth for children and adolescents.

# Year insulin started

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Patient—insulin start date, YYYY

METeOR identifier: 269928

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The year the patient started insulin injections.

Context: Public health, health care and clinical settings.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Patient—insulin start date

Definition: The date the patient started insulin injections.

Object class: Patient

Property: Insulin start date

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Diabetes Data Working Group

### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Date

Data type: Date/Time
Format: YYYY

Maximum character length: 4

### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record the year that insulin injections were started.

This data element has to be completed for all patients who use insulin. It is used to cross check diabetes type assignment.

Collection methods: Ask the individual the year when he/she started to use insulin.

Alternatively obtain this information from appropriate

documentation, if available.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National diabetes data working group

Origin: National Diabetes Outcomes Quality Review Initiative

(NDOQRIN) data dictionary

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Year insulin started, version 1, DE, NHDD,

NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005

Specifications: Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

Information specific to this data set:

This data element provides information about the duration of diabetes in individual patients.

Insulin is a regulating hormone secreted into the blood in response to a rise in concentration of blood glucose or amino acids. It is a double-chain protein hormone formed from proinsulin in the beta cells of the pancreatic islets of Langerhans. Insulin promotes the storage of glucose and the uptake of amino acids, increases protein and lipid synthesis, and inhibits lipolysis and gluconeogenesis. Commercially prepared insulin is available in various types, which differ in the speed they act and in the duration of their effectiveness.

# Year of arrival in Australia

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Person (overseas born)—year of first arrival in Australia, date

YYYY

METeOR identifier: 269929

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The year a person (born outside of Australia) first arrived in

Australia, from another country, with the intention of staying in

Australia for one year or more.

# **Data element concept attributes**

Data element concept: Person (overseas born)—year of first arrival in Australia

Definition: The year a person (born outside of Australia) first arrived in

Australia, from another country, with the intention of staying in

Australia for one year or more.

Context: Client demographic and support needs:

This metadata item is an important indicator of cultural identity, and provides further information about the person's cultural values and practices which is significant in determining

service type and support required. May also be used in conjunction with other socio-demographic data to indicate the

background of the person, communication skills and their

possible needs.

Object class: Person

Property: Year of first arrival in Australia

# Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Date

Data type: Date/Time
Format: YYYY

Maximum character length: 4

### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: Actual year of arrival in Australia.

Recommended question:

In what year did you/the person first arrive in Australia to live

here for one year or more?

(Write in the calendar year of arrival or mark the box if here less

than one year)

Calendar year of arrival
Will be here less than one year

It is anticipated that for the majority of people their response to

the question will be the year of their only arrival in Australia. However, some respondents may have multiple arrivals in Australia. To deal with these cases in self-enumerated collections, an instruction such as 'Please indicate the year of first arrival only' should be included with the question. While agencies are encouraged to use the recommended question described above, it is acknowledged that this is not always possible in practice. For example, where the data collection is a by-product of the provision of a health or community service, the information may be ascertained using different means. However, the recommended question should be used wherever practically possible.

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin: The Australian Bureau of Statistics Standard for Year of Arrival

in Australia. (last viewed 05/12/2006)

Reference documents: The ABS standard for the collection of Year of arrival in

Australia appears on the ABS Website

http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/StatsLibrary select Other ABS Statistical Standards/Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables/Cultural Diversity Variable.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Year of arrival in Australia, version 2, DE, NCSDD,

NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module

DSS NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

# Year of diagnosis of diabetes mellitus

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Technical name: Patient—diagnosis date (diabetes mellitus), YYYY

METeOR identifier: 269930

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Definition: The year a patient was first diagnosed as having diabetes

*Context:* Public health, health care and clinical settings.

# Data element concept attributes

Data element concept: Patient—diagnosis date

Definition: The date on which a patient is diagnosed with a particular

condition or disease.

Object class: Patient

Property: Diagnosis date

### Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Date

Data type: Date/Time
Format: YYYY

Maximum character length: 4

Supplementary values: Value Meaning

9999 Not stated/inadequately described

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record the year that the patient was first diagnosed as having

diabetes.

Collection methods: Ask the individual the year when he/ she was diagnosed with

diabetes. Alternatively obtain this information from appropriate

documentation, if available.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National diabetes data working group

Origin: National Diabetes Outcomes Quality Review Initiative

(NDOQRIN) data dictionary

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Year of diagnosis of diabetes mellitus, version 1,

DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Superseded 21/09/2005

Diabetes (clinical) DSS NHIG, Standard 21/09/2005

Information specific to this data set:

Long-term complications of diabetes mellitus affect the eyes, kidneys, nerves, and blood vessels.