

Hospital patient

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Object Class
METEOR identifier:	268958
Registration status:	Health!, Standard 01/03/2005
Definition:	A patient is a person for whom a hospital accepts responsibility for treatment and/or care. There are two categories of patient, admitted and non-admitted patients. Boarders are not patients.
Context:	Admitted patient care and public hospital establishments.
Specialisation of:	Person/group of persons

Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	While the concept of a person for whom a service provider accepts responsibility for treatment or care is also applicable to non-admitted patient and public hospital establishments care and to welfare services, different terminology is often used in these other care settings e.g. client, resident.
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Source and reference attributes

Origin:	National Health Data Committee
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