

Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs— referral source, code NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Source of referral to alcohol and other drug treatment service
METEOR identifier:	269946
Registration status:	HealthI , 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:	Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—referral source
Value Domain:	Referral source for alcohol and other drug treatment code NN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	01	Self
	02	Family member/friend
	03	Medical practitioner
	04	Hospital
	05	Mental health care service
	06	Alcohol and other drug treatment service
	07	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: Is re-engineered from  [Source of referral to alcohol and other drug treatment service, version 3, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (17.2 KB)
No registration status

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS](#)

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS](#)

[Health!](#), Superseded 23/10/2006

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2007-08](#)

[Health!](#), Superseded 05/02/2008

Implementation start date: 01/07/2007

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2008-10](#)

[Health!](#), Superseded 22/12/2009

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2010-11](#)

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2013-15](#)

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