Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty (of scheduled doctor), code NN

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Surgical specialty |
| METEOR identifier: | 270146 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 19/11/2015 [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016 |
| Definition: | The area of clinical expertise held by the doctor who will perform the elective surgery, as represented by a code. |

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| Data element concept attributes |
| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Data element concept: | [Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty (of scheduled doctor)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/269607) |
| METEOR identifier: | 269607 |
| Registration status: |  [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 12/12/2018 |
| 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](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/269007) |
| Property: | [Surgical specialty](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/269155) |

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| Value domain attributes  |
| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Value domain: | [Elective surgery code NN](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/270728) |
| METEOR identifier: | 270728 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 19/11/2015 [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016 |
| Definition: | A code set representing types of [**elective surgery**](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/327226). |

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| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | String |
| Format: | NN |
| Maximum character length: | 2 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 01 | Cardio-thoracic surgery |
|   | 02 | Ear, nose and throat surgery |
|   | 03 | General surgery |
|   | 04 | Gynaecology |
|   | 05 | Neurosurgery |
|   | 06 | Ophthalmology |
|   | 07 | Orthopaedic surgery |
|   | 08 | Plastic surgery |
|   | 09 | Urology |
|   | 10 | Vascular surgery |
|   | 11  | Other  |

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| 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). |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Hospital Access Program Waiting Lists Working GroupWaiting Times Working Group |
| Origin: | National Health Data Committee  |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty (of scheduled doctor), code NN](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/605195)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 12/12/2018Is re-engineered from  [Surgical specialty, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005 .pdf](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/273156) (15.7 KB)*No registration status* |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Elective surgery waiting times (census data) DSS 1 January 2012-30 June 2012](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/470080)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Retired 13/12/2011***Implementation start date:*** 31/03/2012***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012[Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/273042)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 07/12/2005***Implementation start date:*** 30/09/2002***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2006[Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2006-09](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/335002)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 03/12/2008***Implementation start date:*** 30/09/2006***Implementation end date:*** 31/03/2009[Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2009-12](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/375331)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 13/12/2011***Implementation start date:*** 30/06/2009***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012[Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2012-13](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/472477)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 02/05/2013***Implementation start date:*** 30/09/2012***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2013[Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2013-15](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/520140)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 12/06/2015***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015[Elective surgery waiting times (census data) NMDS 2015-16](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/600059)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 19/11/2015***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016[Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) DSS 1 January 2012-30 June 2012](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/470097)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Retired 13/12/2011***Implementation start date:*** 01/01/2012***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012[Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/273057)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 07/12/2005***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2002***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2006[Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS 2006-09](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/335007)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 03/12/2008***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2006***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009[Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS 2009-12](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/375336)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 13/12/2011***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012[Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS 2012-13](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/472497)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 02/05/2013***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2013[Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS 2013-15](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/520154)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 12/06/2015***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015[Elective surgery waiting times (removals data) NMDS 2015-16](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/600056)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 19/11/2015***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015***Implementation end date:*** 01/06/2016[Elective surgery waiting times cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/464669)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 11/04/2014[Elective surgery waiting times cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/545693)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 19/11/2015 |
| Implementation in Indicators: | **Used as Disaggregation**[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Median waiting time for elective surgery 2011-12](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/527347) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Superseded 28/05/2014[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Median waiting time for elective surgery 2012-13](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/532942) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Median waiting time for elective surgery, 2014](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/558302) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Median waiting time for elective surgery, 2015](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/603005) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Number of elective surgeries 2011-12](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/527374) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Superseded 25/07/2013[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Number of elective surgeries 2012-13](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/532929) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Superseded 28/05/2014[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Patients who waited more than 365 days for elective surgery 2011-12](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/527371) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Superseded 28/05/2014[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Patients who waited more than 365 days for elective surgery 2012-13](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/532932) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Percentage of patients who waited longer than 365 days for elective surgery, 2014](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/558296) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016[National Health Performance Authority, Hospital Performance: Percentage of patients who waited longer than 365 days for elective surgery, 2015](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/602986) [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016 |