

# Medicare card number identifier N(11)

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Value Domain
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	270694
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 01/03/2005 <a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Recorded 27/03/2007 <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/09/2014 <a href="#">WA Health</a> , Standard 19/03/2015 <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a> , Standard 02/09/2016
<b>Definition:</b>	A combination of numeric characters that uniquely identify a Medicare customer.

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Identifier
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N(11)
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	11

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Full Medicare number for an individual (i.e. family number plus person (individual reference) number).
<b>Comments:</b>	<p>The Medicare card number is printed on a Medicare card and is used to access Medicare records for an eligible person.</p> <p>Up to 9 persons can be included under the one Medicare card number with up to five persons appearing on one physical card.</p> <p>Persons grouped under one Medicare card number are often a family, however, there is no requirement for persons under the same Medicare card number to be related.</p> <p>A person may be shown under separate Medicare card numbers where, for example, a child needs to be included on separate Medicare cards held by their parents. As a person can be identified on more than one Medicare card this is not a unique identifier for a person.</p>

## Relational attributes

<b>Data elements implementing this value domain:</b>	<a href="#">Person—government funding identifier, Medicare card number N(11)</a> <a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Recorded 27/03/2007 <a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 01/03/2005 <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/09/2014 <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a> , Standard 02/09/2016 <a href="#">WA Health</a> , Standard 19/03/2015
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