Number of contacts (psychiatric outpatient clinic/day program)

Important note: This is an archived metadata standard from the AIHW Knowledgebase. For current metadata standards and related information please access METeOR, the AIHW's Metadata Online Registry at http://meteor.aihw.gov.au

Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD

Knowledgebase ID: 000141 Version number: 1

Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT

Registration NHIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED

Authority: Effective date: 01-MAR-05

Definition: Number of days that a patient attended a psychiatric outpatient

clinic or a day program during the relevant financial year.

Context: Mental health statistics:

This data element gives a measure of the level of service provided.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric

Representational QUANTITATIVE VALUE

form:

Representation NNN

layout:

Minimum Size: 1 Maximum Size: 3

Data Domain: NOVAL Count in number of days

Collection Methods: All States and Territories where there are public psychiatric

hospitals also collect date of contact, and number of contacts during the financial year can be derived from this. (Collection status for

New South Wales is unknown at time of writing.)

Related metadata: is an alternative to Number of service contact dates version 2

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National minimum data set working parties

Comments: In December 1998, the National Health Information Management

Group decided that the new version of this data element (named

Number of service contact dates) would be implemented from 1 July 2000 in the Community mental health NMDS. Until then agencies involved in the Community mental health NMDS may report either Number of contacts (psychiatric outpatient clinic/day program) or Number of service contact dates with the expectation that agencies will make their best efforts to report against the new version of this data element (Number of service contact dates) from 1 July 1999.

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element
NHIM Service provision event

Data Agreements which include this Data Element