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# Referral to further care (psychiatric patients)

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NHDD  
Knowledgebase ID: 000143                      Version number: 1  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT  
Registration Authority: NHIMG                      Admin status: SUPERSEDED  
Effective date: 01-MAR-05  
Definition: Referral to further care by health service agencies/facilities.  
Context: Mental health care:  
Many psychiatric inpatients have continuing needs for post-discharge care. Continuity of care across the hospital-community interface is a key policy theme emerging in the various States and Territories. Inclusion of this item allows the opportunity to monitor interagency linkages and is complementary to the data element Source of referral.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype: Numeric  
Representational form: CODE  
Representation layout: N  
Minimum Size: 1  
Maximum Size: 1  
Data Domain: 1                      Not referred  
2                      Private psychiatrist  
3                      Other private medical practitioner  
4                      Mental health / alcohol and drug in-patient facility  
5                      Mental health / alcohol and drug non in-patient facility  
6                      Acute hospital  
7                      Other

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## *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document:  
Source Organisation: National minimum data set working parties

