Legal status on discharge

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary:	NHDD		
Knowledgebase ID:	000081	Version number:	1
Metadata type:	DATA ELEMENT		
Registration Authority:	NHIMG	Admin status:	SUPERSEDED
		Effective date:	30-JUN-96

Definition: Legal status of the person at separation under relevant Acts of Parliament.

Context: Mental health care: this data element would provide an important perspective on outcome.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype:

Representational form:

Representation layout:

Minimum Size:

Maximum Size:

Collection Methods: Victoria uses the following categories:
- direct (full discharge to own home / living environment)
- permanent transfer to another mental health / alcohol and drug facility (residential) unit
- change of section (refers to change of legal status, whilst remaining an in-patient)
- discharge whilst on leave
- death
- death whilst on leave.

The Tasmanian member advised that this item was not currently collected in Tasmania, but that there would be some justification for collecting it where community treatment orders are provided under the Mental Health Act 1963 (Tas).

Related metadata: is used as an alternative to Region code version 2
has been superseded by Mental health legal status version 2

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National minimum data set working parties

Comments: Common ground categories may include the following:
- direct (full discharge)
- discharge to leave (includes statistical separations where leave is greater than ten days)
- transfer to another psychiatric in-patient unit
- death (including death whilst on leave).

This item was collected in New South Wales before the latest revision of the morbidity form. However, as most other States do not collect this item, the working party agreed that it should be excluded from the minimum data set for psychiatric hospitals.

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM	Legal characteristic

Data Agreements which include this Data Element