
Treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD
Knowledgebase ID: 000647 Version number: 2
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT CONCEPT
Admin status: SUPERSEDED Effective date: 01-MAR-05
Definition: The period of contact, with defined dates of commencement and cessation, between a client and a treatment provider or team of providers in which there is no change in the Main treatment type or Principal drug of concern, and there has not been a non-planned absence of contact for greater than three months.
Context: Alcohol and drug treatment services. This concept is required to provide the basis for a standard approach to recording and monitoring patterns of service utilisation by clients.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype:

Guide For Use: A treatment episode must have a defined Date of commencement of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs and a Date of cessation of treatment episode for alcohol and other drugs. A treatment episode can have only one Main treatment type for alcohol and other drugs and only one Principal drug of concern. If the Main treatment or Principal drug changes then the treatment episode is closed and a new treatment episode is opened.
. A treatment episode may also be considered closed (ceased) if there is a change in the treatment delivery setting or the service delivery outlet. Where the change reflects a substantial alteration in the nature of the treatment episode, for instance where an agency operates in more than one treatment setting (or outlet) they may consider that a change from one setting (or outlet), to another necessitates closure of one episode and commencement of a new one.

Collection Methods: Is taken as the period starting from the date of commencement of treatment and ending at the date of cessation of treatment episode.

Related metadata: supersedes the data element Treatment episode for alcohol and

other drugs version 1
relates to the data element concept Cessation of treatment episode
for alcohol and other drugs version 2
relates to the data element Date of cessation of treatment episode
for alcohol and other drugs version 2
relates to the data element Date of commencement of treatment
episode for alcohol and other drugs version 2
relates to the data element concept Commencement of treatment
episode for alcohol and other drugs version 2
relates to the data element Treatment delivery setting for alcohol
and other drugs version 2

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:
Source Organisation: Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs NMDS-WG

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM Address element

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

NMDS - Alcohol and other drug treatment From 01-Jul-04 to
services
