Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Emergency department departure time
METEOR identifier:	322610
Registration status:	Health!, Superseded 22/12/2011
Definition:	The time at which a patient departs an emergency department after a stay.
Context:	Emergency department care.
Data Element Concept:	Emergency department stay—physical departure time
Value Domain:	Time hhmm

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Time
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	hhmm
Maximum character length:	4

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents:	ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats - Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Each emergency department stay should include a non-admitted patient emergency department service episode component. The value of the episode end status code should guide the selection of the value to be recorded in this field:

- If the patient is subsequently admitted then record the time the patient leaves the Emergency Department to go to the admitted patient facility. Physically moving the patient to a bed in an emergency department specialist care unit (including EMU, short stay ward, emergency care unit or observation unit) is defined as representing departure from the emergency department.
- If the service episode is completed without the patient being admitted, including referral to another hospital, record the time the patient leaves the Emergency Department.
- If the patient did not wait record the time the patient leaves the Emergency Department or was first noticed as having left.
- If the patient left at their own risk record the time the patient leaves the Emergency Department.
- If the patient died in the Emergency Department record the time of death.
- If the patient was dead on arrival then record the time of presentation at the Emergency Department.

Collection methods:	Collected in conjunction with emergency department stay physical departure date.

Comments: This data element has been developed for the purpose of State and Territory compliance with the Australian Health Care Agreement and the agreed national access performance indicator.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 30/01/2012

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 23/10/2006
Implementation start date: 01/07/2006
Implementation end date: 30/06/2007

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2007-08](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 05/02/2008
Implementation start date: 01/07/2007
Implementation end date: 30/06/2008

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2008-10](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 22/12/2009
Implementation start date: 01/07/2008
Implementation end date: 30/06/2010

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2010-11](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 18/01/2011
Implementation start date: 01/07/2010
Implementation end date: 30/06/2011

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2011-12](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 30/01/2012
Implementation start date: 01/07/2011
Implementation end date: 30/06/2012
DSS specific information: Data collected for this item from 1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012 may not comply with the above requirements. Therefore, data collected from 1 January 2012 to 30 June 2012 may not be directly comparable to data collected between 1 July 2011 and 31 December 2011.