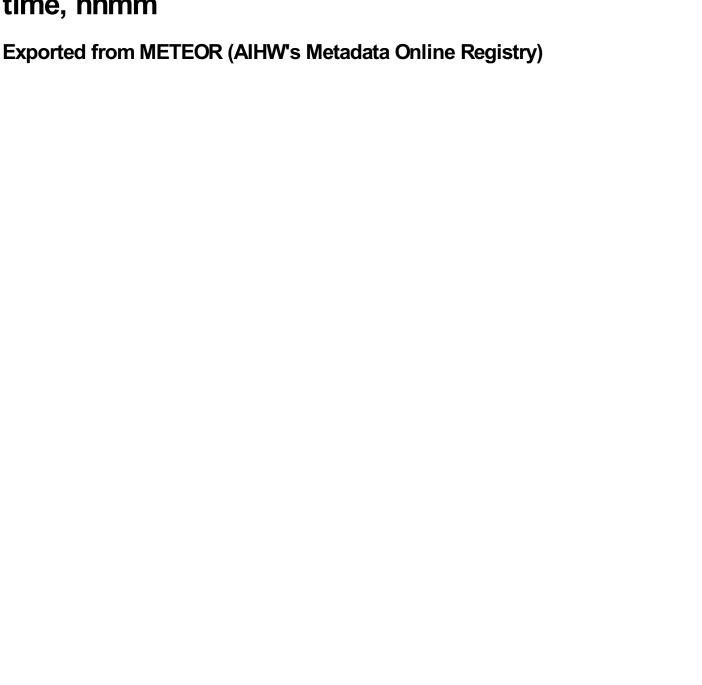
# Emergency department stay—physical departure time, hhmm



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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Registration status: Health!, Superseded 22/12/2011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: <u>Emergency department stay—physical departure time</u>

Value Domain: <u>Time hhmm</u>

#### 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,

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Health!, Superseded 30/01/2012

Implementation in Data Set

Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS

Specifications:

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

<u>Health!</u>, 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

<u>Health!</u>, 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

<u>Health!</u>, 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

<u>Health!</u>, 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.