Australian national sub-acute and non-acute patient class

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Definition: A resource utilisation classification based on patient functioning, diagnosed

conditions, demographic characteristics of the patient and usage of hospital

resources.

Context: The development of the Australian National Sub-acute and Non-acute Patient

classification (AN-SNAP) has created a descriptive framework for studying sub-acute care hospitalisation. AN-SNAP provides a summary of the type and complexity of sub-acute patients a hospital treats. As a framework for describing the products of a hospital (that is, patients receiving services), AN-SNAP allows meaningful comparison of hospitals' efficiency and effectiveness under alternative

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