

Referral—referral source, code AAA

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Referral source code
Synonymous names:	REF_SOURCE_CODE
METEOR identifier:	491450
Registration status:	WA Health, Standard 19/03/2015
Definition:	The person or agency responsible for the referral of a person to a health care provider or other organisation, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Referral—referral source
Value Domain:	Referral source code AAA

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	String
Format:	AAA
Maximum character length:	3

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	AHP	Allied Health professional
	ANI	Another institution
	CLN	Clinician
	COM	Community
	CON	Same consultant
	EDU	Education Department
	EMD	Emergency Department
	FAF	Family or friend
	GEP	General Practitioner
	GOV	Government agency
	INW	Inpatient ward
	MCE	Mental Health Emergency Response Line (MHERL) or Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
	MEP	Medical Practitioner
	MHC	Mental Health clinic or team
	NGO	Non-Government Organisation
	NPR	Nurse Practitioner
	NUR	Nurse
	OMH	Other
	OPH	Outpatient Department this Hospital
	OPR	Other professional
	OTS	Other service

	POL	Police
	PRI	Private referral
	SLF	Self
	SPR	Specialist rooms
Supplementary values:	NSP	Not specified
	OTH	Other hospital
	UNK	Unknown

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This data item is a mandatory item for national reporting, using the data element: [Non-admitted patient service request—service request source, code N.N](#)

Local codes are mapped to national codes for reporting purposes.

Local codes (NAPAAWL codes)	National codes
OPH Outpatient Department this hospital CON Same consultant	1.1 Other outpatient clinic (this hospital)
EMD Emergency Department	1.2 Emergency Department (this hospital)
INW Inpatient ward	1.3 Elsewhere in this hospital
OTH Other hospital	2.0 Other hospital
GEP General Practitioner	3.1 General practice
PPS Private psychiatrist SPR Specialist rooms	3.2 Specialist practice

AHP Allied health professional	3.3 Other non-hospital
ANI Another institution	
COM Community	
EDU Education Department	
FAF Family or friend	
GOV Government agency	
MCE Mental Health Emergency Response Line (MHERL) or Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)	
MHC Mental health clinic or team	
NGO Non-government organisation	
OMH Other	
OPR Other professional	
POL Police	
PRI Private referral	
CLN Clinician	
MEP Medical Practitioner	
NUR Nurse	
NPR Nurse Practitioner	
OTS Other service	4.0 Self
SLF Self	
UNK Unknown	99 Unknown
NSP Not specified	

The synonymous name REF_SOURCE_CODE is used for local reporting purposes.

The nationally reported data element has the synonymous name SERVICE_REQUEST_SOURCE.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [Referral—referral source, code AAA WA Health](#), Standard 01/06/2017

See also [Non-admitted patient service request—service request source, code N.N Health!](#), Superseded 25/01/2018
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 01/11/2012

See also [Non-admitted patient service request—service request source, code N.N Health!](#), Standard 25/01/2018

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection \(NAPAAWL DC\) 2013-14](#)

[WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015

DSS specific information:

This data item is a mandatory item for national reporting in the:

[Non-admitted patient DSS 2013-14](#)

[Activity based funding: Non-admitted patient care DSS 2013-2014](#)

It is reported nationally using the data element:

[Non-admitted patient service request-service request source, code N.N](#)

[WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection \(NAPAAWL DC\) 2014-15](#)

[WA Health](#), Standard 24/04/2015

DSS specific information:

This data item is a mandatory item for reporting in the:

[Non-admitted patient DSS 2014-15](#)

It is reported nationally using the data element:

[Non-admitted patient service request-service request source, code N.N](#)