

Referral—referral reason, code AAA

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Referral reason code
Synonymous names:	REF_REASON_CODE
METEOR identifier:	493132
Registration status:	WA Health , Standard 19/03/2015
Definition:	The reason why further care or services (referral) is recommended for a patient, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Referral—referral reason
METEOR identifier:	492471
Registration status:	WA Health , Standard 19/03/2015
Definition:	The reason for recommending further care or services (referral).
Object class:	Referral
Property:	Referral reason

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Referral reason code AAA
METEOR identifier:	493130
Registration status:	WA Health , Standard 19/03/2015
Definition:	A set of alphabetic characters that identifies the purpose of recommending further care or services.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	String	
Format:	AAA	
Maximum character length:	3	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	ASS	Assessment
	CHR	Chart review
	EDU	Education
	OPM	Ongoing patient management
	RET	Research trial
	TRE	Treatment/ Intervention

Supplementary values:	OTH	Other
	NSP	Not specified
	UNK	Unknown

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Ongoing patient management code 'OPM' can only be assigned to referrals that are created in [TOPAS](#) or [webPAS](#). The 'OPM' code can be used when a referral is received by a Health Service for ongoing management of the same condition.

Using this code will indicate that this referral is not for a 'first' activity within that service and will enable that referral to be excluded from any data that is used in reporting outpatient waiting times for the first attended appointment.

Although the Chart review code (CHR) may have a clinical review component, there is no patient present. For this reason, any appointment for the purpose of chart review that is attached to this referral will not meet the criteria for a [non-admitted patient service event](#).

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Referral—referral reason, code AAA](#)
[WA Health](#), Standard 01/06/2017

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

[WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection \(NAPAAWL DC\) 2014-15](#)
[WA Health](#), Standard 24/04/2015