

Elective surgery waiting list episode—indicator procedure, code NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Indicator procedure
METEOR identifier:	514033
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 02/05/2013
Definition:	The indicator procedure for which an elective surgery patient is waiting, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Elective surgery waiting list episode—indicator procedure
METEOR identifier:	269429
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 01/03/2005 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016
Definition:	An indicator procedure is a procedure which is of high volume, and is often associated with long waiting periods.
Object class:	Elective surgery waiting list episode
Property:	Indicator procedure

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Indicator procedure code NN
METEOR identifier:	514028
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 02/05/2013
Definition:	A code set representing indicator procedures.

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) 8th edition	
Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	String	
Format:	NN	
Maximum character length:	2	
Permissible values:	Value	Meaning
	01	Cataract extraction
	02	Cholecystectomy
	03	Coronary artery bypass graft
	04	Cystoscopy

05	Haemorrhoidectomy
06	Hysterectomy
07	Inguinal herniorrhaphy
08	Myringoplasty
09	Myringotomy
10	Prostatectomy
11	Septoplasty
12	Tonsillectomy
13	Total hip replacement
14	Total knee replacement
15	Varicose veins stripping and ligation
88	Other

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The procedure terms are defined by the Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) codes which are listed in the Comments field below. Where a patient is awaiting more than one indicator procedure, all codes should be listed. This is because the intention is to count procedures rather than patients in this instance.

These are planned procedures for the waiting list, not what is actually performed during hospitalisation.

Comments:

The list of indicator procedures may be reviewed from time to time. Some health authorities already code a larger number of waiting list procedures.

Waiting list statistics for indicator procedures give a specific indication of performance in particular areas of elective care provision. It is not always possible to code all elective surgery procedures at the time of addition to the waiting list. Reasons for this include that the surgeon may be uncertain of the exact procedure to be performed, and that the large number of procedures possible and lack of consistent nomenclature would make coding errors likely. Furthermore, the increase in workload for clerical staff may not be acceptable. However, a relatively small number of procedures account for the bulk of the elective surgery workload. Therefore, a list of common procedures with a tendency to long waiting times is useful. Waiting time statistics by procedure are useful to patients and referring doctors. In addition, waiting time data by procedure assists in planning and resource allocation, audit and performance monitoring.

The following is a list of ACHI (8th edition) codes comprising each indicator procedure category:

Cataract extraction:

42698-00 [195] 42702-00 [195] 42702-01 [195]
 42698-01 [196] 42702-02 [196] 42702-03 [196]
 42698-02 [197] 42702-04 [197] 42702-05 [197]
 42698-03 [198] 42702-06 [198] 42702-07 [198]
 42698-04 [199] 42702-08 [199] 42702-09 [199]
 42731-01 [200] 42698-05 [200] 42702-10 [200]
 42734-00 [201] 42788-00 [201] 42719-00 [201]
 42731-00 [201] 42719-02 [201] 42791-02 [201]
 42716-00 [202] 42702-11 [200] 42722-00 [201]

Cholecystectomy:

30443-00 [965] 30454-01 [965] 30455-00 [965]
30445-00 [965] 30448-00 [965] 30449-00 [965]

Coronary artery bypass graft:

38497-00 [672] 38497-01 [672] 39497-02 [672]
38497-03 [672] 38497-04 [673] 38497-05 [673]
38497-06 [673] 39497-07 [673] 38500-00 [674]
38503-00 [674] 38500-01 [675] 38503-01 [675]
38500-02 [676] 38503-02 [676] 38500-03 [677]
38503-03 [677] 38500-04 [678] 38500-05 [679]
38503-04 [678] 38503-05 [679] 90201-00 [679]
90201-01 [679] 90201-02 [679] 90201-03 [679]

Cystoscopy:

36812-00 [1089] 36812-01 [1089] 36836-00 [1098]

Haemorrhoidectomy:

32138-00 [941] 32132-00 [941] 32135-00 [941]
32135-01 [941] 32138-01 [941] 32138-02 [941]

Hysterectomy:

35653-00 [1268] 35653-01 [1268] 35661-00 [1268]
35670-00 [1268] 35667-00 [1268] 35664-00 [1268]
35657-00 [1269] 35756-00 [1269] 35673-02 [1269]
35753-02 [1269] 35667-01 [1269] 35664-01 [1269]
90450-00 [989] 90450-01 [989] 90450-02 [989]
35653-04 [1268] 90448-00 [1268] 90448-01 [1268]
90448-02 [1268]

Inguinal herniorrhaphy:

30614-03 [990] 30615-00 [997] 30609-03 [990]
30614-02 [990] 30609-02 [990]

Myringoplasty:

41527-00 [313] 41530-00 [313] 41533-01 [313]
41542-00 [315] 41635-01 [313]

Myringotomy:

41626-00 [309] 41626-01 [309] 41632-00 [309]
41632-01 [309]

Prostatectomy:

37203-00 [1165] 37203-02 [1165] 37207-00 [1166]
37207-01 [1166] 37203-05 [1166] 37203-06 [1166]
37200-03 [1167] 37200-04 [1167] 37209-00 [1167]
37200-05 [1167] 90407-00 [1168] 37201-00 [1165]
37203-03 [1166] 37203-04 [1166] 37224-00 [1162]
37224-01 [1162] 37209-01 [1166] 37210-01 [1166]
37211-01 [1166] 90408-00 [1162]

Septoplasty:

41671-02 [379] 41671-01 [379] 41671-03 [379]

Tonsillectomy:

41789-00 [412] 41789-01 [412]

Total hip replacement:

49318-00 [1489] 49319-00 [1489] 49324-00 [1492]
49327-00 [1492] 49330-00 [1492] 49333-00 [1492]
49345-00 [1492] 49339-00 [1492] 49342-00 [1492]

Total knee replacement:

49518-00 [1518] 49519-00 [1518] 49521-00 [1519]
49521-01 [1519] 49521-02 [1519] 49521-03 [1519]
49524-00 [1519] 49524-01 [1519] 49527-00 [1524]
49530-00 [1523] 49530-01 [1523] 49533-00 [1523]
49554-00 [1523] 49534-00 [1519]

Varicose veins stripping and ligation:

32508-00 [727] 32508-01 [727] 32511-00 [727]
32504-01 [728] 32507-00 [728] 32514-00 [737]

Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Reference documents: National Casemix and Classification Centre (NCCC) 2012. The Australian Classification of Health Interventions (ACHI) – Eighth Edition - Tabular list of interventions and Alphabetic index of interventions. Wollongong: NCCC, Australian Health Services Research Institute, University of Wollongong.

ACHI 8th edition is available for purchase from the National Casemix and Classification Centre (NCCC). Please see the following link for product information:
<http://nccc.uow.edu.au/icd10am-achi-accs/overview/achi/index.html>

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Elective surgery waiting list episode—indicator procedure, code NN Health!](#), Superseded 02/05/2013
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

See also [Elective surgery waiting list episode—intended procedure, code NNN Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](#), Recorded 08/08/2022
[Health!](#), Standard 05/02/2021

See also [Elective surgery waiting list episode—intended procedure, code NNN Health!](#), Superseded 21/08/2019

See also [Elective surgery waiting list episode—intended procedure, code NNN Health!](#), Superseded 05/02/2021

See also [Elective surgery waiting list episode—intended procedure, code NNN Health!](#), Superseded 25/01/2018

See also [Elective surgery waiting list episode—intended procedure, code NNN Health!](#), Superseded 29/06/2016

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 34-Waiting times for elective surgery, 2012 Health!](#), Superseded 25/06/2013

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Elective surgery waiting times \(census data\) NMDS 2013-15 Health!](#), Superseded 12/06/2015

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013
Implementation end date: 30/06/2015

[Elective surgery waiting times \(census data\) NMDS 2015-16 Health!](#), Superseded 19/11/2015

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015
Implementation end date: 30/06/2016

[Elective surgery waiting times \(removals data\) NMDS 2013-15 Health!](#), Superseded 12/06/2015

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013
Implementation end date: 30/06/2015

[Elective surgery waiting times \(removals data\) NMDS 2015-16 Health!](#), Superseded 19/11/2015

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015
Implementation end date: 01/06/2016

[Elective surgery waiting times cluster Health!](#), Superseded 19/11/2015

**Implementation in
Indicators:**

Used as Numerator

[National Health Performance Authority. Hospital Performance: Percentage of people who received surgery for malignant cancer within 45 days, 2012-13](#)

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\), Retired 01/07/2016](#)

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 23–Unplanned hospital readmission rates, 2016](#)

[Health!, Superseded 31/01/2017](#)

Used as Disaggregation

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20a–Waiting times for elective surgery: waiting times in days, 2016](#)

[Health!, Superseded 31/01/2017](#)

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20a–Waiting times for elective surgery: waiting times in days, 2017](#)

[Health!, Superseded 30/01/2018](#)

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20a–Waiting times for elective surgery: waiting times in days, 2018](#)

[Health!, Superseded 19/06/2019](#)

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20b–Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion seen on time, 2016](#)

[Health!, Superseded 04/08/2016](#)

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20b–Waiting times for elective surgery: proportion seen on time, 2017](#)

[Health!, Superseded 30/01/2018](#)