

Patient—ear nose and throat surgery type recommended, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Ear nose and throat surgery type recommended (code)
METEOR identifier:	523126
Registration status:	Indigenous , Standard 05/09/2014
Definition:	The type of surgical procedure recommended for an ear, nose and throat patient, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Patient—ear, nose and throat surgery type recommended
Value Domain:	Ear nose and throat surgery type recommended

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Myringoplasty (Tympanoplasty type 1)
	2	Myringotomy
	3	Adenoidectomy
	4	Grommets
	5	Exploration under anaesthetic (EUA)
	6	Exploration of middle ear/mastoid
	7	Removal of tubes
	8	Other procedure
Supplementary values:	98	Unknown
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Myringoplasty (Tympanoplasty type 1)

Repair of the eardrum (tympanic membrane) when the ossicular chain is intact.

CODE 2 Myringotomy

A surgical procedure in which a tiny incision is created in the eardrum to relieve pressure caused by excessive build-up of fluid, or to drain pus from the middle ear.

CODE 3 Adenoidectomy

The surgical removal of the adenoids for reasons which include impaired breathing through the nose, chronic infections, or recurrent earaches.

CODE 4 Grommets

Where a small, plastic tube is inserted through the eardrum into the middle ear to assist in preventing infection.

CODE 5 Exploration under anaesthetic (EUA)

An examination of the ear is done when the patient is under general anaesthetic as a diagnosis could not be confirmed through a consultation with a health care professional.

CODE 6 Exploration of middle ear/mastoid

Is used to ascertain the health condition of the ear by drilling through the bone behind the ear which enables access to the middle ear and eardrum.

CODE 7 Removal of tubes

Is the removal of the small, plastic tube which was inserted through the eardrum to assist in preventing infection.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Patient—ear nose and throat surgery recommended indicator, yes/no/too young for surgery code N](#)
[Indigenous](#), Standard 05/09/2014

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Surgery recommendations cluster](#)
[Indigenous](#), Standard 05/09/2014

Implementation start date: 01/04/2012

Conditional obligation: Conditional on a 'yes' response to Patient-ear nose and throat surgery recommended indicator.

DSS specific information: This data element has a maximum occurrence of 2. The first occurrence is reported for the right ear and the second occurrence is reported for the left ear.