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# Appointment—clinical priority access criteria, code AAA

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

**Short name:** Appointment CPAC code

METEOR identifier: 561438

Registration status: WA Health, Standard 19/03/2015

**Definition:** The code that represents the priority of a patient for referral to their first outpatient

appointment, based on a clinical assessment of their medical condition.

 Value Domain:
 Appointment—clinical priority access criteria

 Clinical priority access criteria code AAA

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## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: AAA

Maximum character length: 3

Value Meaning

Permissible values: ROU Routine

SEM Semi-urgent

URG Urgent

Supplementary values: NSP Not specified

UNK Unknown

#### Data element attributes

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The Clinical Priority Access Criteria (CPAC) guidelines have been specifically

written for General Practitioners (GPs) when referring patients for outpatient care.

CPAC is used by GPs to select and prioritise patients for referral to outpatient services in WA hospitals for first specialist assessment, based on the referral

recommendations for the patient's clinical condition.

CPAC enables GPs to provide more comprehensive information with each new referral to a hospital specialist. The timeframes that define a routine, semi-urgent or urgent clinical condition are specific to the medical specialty. Each specialty will have their own referral recommendations.

### Relational attributes

Specifications:

Implementation in Data Set 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

WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection (NAPAAWL DC) 2016-17

WA Health, Standard 30/05/2017