Appointment—occasion of service indicator, yes/no code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Appointment occasion of service flag |
| Synonymous names: | ACT\_OOS\_FLAG |
| METEOR identifier: | 562739 |
| Registration status: | [WA Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/5), Standard 19/03/2015 |
| Definition: | An indicator for whether or not an appointment is an occasion of service, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Appointment—occasion of service indicator](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/562737)  |
| Value Domain: | [Yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/562741) |

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| Value domain attributes |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | Boolean |
| Format: | N |
| Maximum character length: | 1 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Yes |
|   | 0  | No  |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | An occasion of service is any examination, consultation, treatment or other service provided to a patient, or a group of patients, in a functional unit of a health service or hospital on each occasion that such a service is provided.A service does not have to be provided in person. As long as the criteria for a valid occasion of service are met, a telephone conversation or telehealth service that is conducted as a substitute for face-to-face contact with the patient should be recorded as an occasion of service.The location of the provider and patient is not relevant.An Occasion of Service must satisfy the following criteria:* One or more health care providers (e.g. can be one health care provider or multiple health care providers, providing care to a patient at the same time)
* One or more non-admitted patients
* An examination, consultation, treatment or other service provided to a patient.

Previously, Occasion of Service was the counting unit used to report to the [Outpatient Care NMDS 2007-13](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/336862)using the data element [Establishment-number of occasions of service, total N[NNNNNN]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/336947) This is in contrast to the [Non-admitted patient service event](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/400604), which has become the counting unit in all national reporting of non-admitted patients since the inception of the [Non-admitted patient DSS 2013-14](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/509071). A non-admitted patient service event must satisfy the following criteria:* One or more health care providers
* One non-admitted patient (each patient receiving care is treated as an individual record regardless of whether they receive care as an individual or part of a group)
* Must contain clinical or therapeutic content
* Must result in a dated entry to the patient's medical record.

There are three Non-admitted patient care data set specifications for Activity Based Funding:* Non-admitted patient data set specification (NAP DSS) - collects information for each non-admitted patient service event at each clinic of a health facility
* Non-admitted patient care local hospital network aggregate data set specification - collects the total service events per Tier 2 class for a local health network
* Non-admitted patient care aggregate National Minimum Data Set (NMDS) - collects the total service events per Tier 2 class of a facility.
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| Source and reference attributes |
| Origin: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2012. National Health Data Dictionary. Version 16 Cat. no. HWI 119. Canberra: AIHW.Independent Hospital Pricing Authority 2013. Tier 2 Non-admitted services compendium 2014-2015. Canberra: IHPA. |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Establishment—number of occasions of service, total N[NNNNNN]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/336947)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 04/07/2007See also [Non-admitted patient service event](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/400604)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 13/11/2014[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 31/10/2012[Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Superseded 23/11/2016See also [Outpatient care NMDS 2007-13](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/336862)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 07/02/2013 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection (NAPAAWL DC) 2013-14](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/490816)[WA Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/5), Standard 19/03/2015[WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection (NAPAAWL DC) 2014-15](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/605977)[WA Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/5), Standard 24/04/2015 |