

# Patient—external auditory meatus condition, code N[N]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	External auditory meatus condition
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	567772
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017
<b>Definition:</b>	The condition of a patient's external auditory meatus, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Data element concept:</b>	<a href="#">Patient—external auditory meatus condition</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	567767
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017
<b>Definition:</b>	The condition of a patient's external auditory meatus.
<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Patient</a>
<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">External auditory meatus condition</a>

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Department of Health Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Value domain:</b>	<a href="#">External auditory meatus condition code N[N]</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	567719
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing conditions of the ear canal.

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N[N]
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	2

	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Clear
	2	Wax/debris
	3	Discharge
	4	Foreign body

	5	Otitis externa
	88	Other
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	98	Unknown
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	CODE 1 Clear
	No abnormal diagnosis.
	CODE 2 Wax/debris
	Ear wax or debris located in the ear.
	CODE 3 Discharge
	Ear discharge is any fluid that comes from the ear.
	CODE 4 Foreign body
	Unexpected object in the ear canal.
	CODE 5 Otitis externa
	Inflammation of the ear canal, which may be caused by infection, allergy or other causes.
	CODE 88 Other
	A condition other than those separately identified.
	CODE 98 Unknown
	This code is used when the data is invalid.
	CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described
	This code is used when the data is missing.
<b>Comments:</b>	The external auditory meatus is also known as the external auditory canal.

## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Department of Health
	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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### Relational attributes

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Pre-operative examination of ear cluster](#)  
[Indigenous](#), Standard 05/12/2017

***Conditional obligation:***

Conditional on a 'yes' response to [Patient—ear assessment indicator, yes/no code N](#).