

# Patient—type of fluid in middle ear, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Type of fluid in middle ear
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	568486
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 05/12/2017
<b>Definition:</b>	The type of fluid in a patient's middle ear, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Patient—type of fluid in middle ear</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Type of fluid in middle ear code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1

	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Serous
	2	Mucoid
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	8	Unknown
	9	Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	CODE 1 Serous The discharge appears to consist mostly of clear, watery fluid.
	CODE 2 Mucoid The discharge consists of a mucus like substance.
	CODE 8 Unknown This code is used when the data is invalid.
	CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described This code is used when the data is missing.

## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Department of Health Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<b>Reference documents:</b>	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (SFNT) Children's Health Checks(CHC)

## Data element attributes

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**Submitting organisation:** Department of Health  
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### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** See also [Patient—fluid in middle ear indicator, yes/no code N Indigenous](#), Standard 05/12/2017

See also [Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N Indigenous](#), Standard 05/12/2017

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Myringotomy cluster Indigenous](#), Standard 05/12/2017

***Conditional obligation:***

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