

Patient—side of ear, left/right code A

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Side of ear
METEOR identifier:	586306
Registration status:	Indigenous , Standard 05/12/2017
Definition:	Whether an ear is on the left or right side of a patient's head, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Patient—side of ear
Value Domain:	Left/right code A

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code						
Data type:	String						
Format:	A						
Maximum character length:	1						
Permissible values:	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>L</td><td>Left</td></tr><tr><td>R</td><td>Right</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	L	Left	R	Right
Value	Meaning						
L	Left						
R	Right						

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Record the appropriate code at the time of examination.
Collection methods:	This information should be obtained from the patient's Closing the Gap, ENT operation summary form.

Source and reference attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	See also Patient—myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N Indigenous , Standard 05/12/2017
	See also Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N Indigenous , Standard 05/12/2017
	See also Patient—revision myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N Indigenous , Standard 05/12/2017

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Ear and nose surgery cluster](#)
[Indigenous](#), Standard 05/12/2017

DSS specific information:

The side of the ear is to be recorded when 'yes' is recorded for the following data elements:

- [Patient—myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—revision myringoplasty indicator, yes/no/not applicable/unknown/not stated/inadequately described code N](#)
- [Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—exploration under anaesthesia indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—exploration of middle ear \(ME\) indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—remove tubes indicator, yes/no code N](#)
- [Patient—other surgical procedure performed indicator, yes/no code N.](#)

[Pre-operative examination of ear cluster](#)

[Indigenous](#), Standard 05/12/2017