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](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), 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](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/586286) |
| Value Domain: | [Left/right code A](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/681936) |

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| Value domain attributes |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | String |
| Format: | A |
| Maximum character length: | 1 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | L | Left |
|   | R  | Right  |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| 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 |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Patient—myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/572383)[Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 05/12/2017See also [Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/572716)[Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 05/12/2017See also [Patient—revision myringoplasty indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/568031)[Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 05/12/2017 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Ear and nose surgery cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/567979)[Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), 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](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/572383)
* [Patient—revision myringoplasty indicator, yes/no/not applicable/unknown/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/568031)
* [Patient—myringotomy indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/572716)
* [Patient—exploration under anaesthesia indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/568551)
* [Patient—exploration of middle ear (ME) indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/568562)
* [Patient—remove tubes indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/568574)
* [Patient—other surgical procedure performed indicator, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/568590).

[Pre-operative examination of ear cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/567654)[Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 05/12/2017 |