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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Identifier issuer |
| METEOR identifier: | 612705 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 05/10/2016 |
| Definition: | The organisation or individual provider that allocates an identifier which is used to uniquely identify an entity, as represented by text. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Identifier—identifier issuer](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/612709) |
| Value Domain: | [Text X[X(199)]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/288905) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Text | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | X[X(199)] | |
| Maximum character length: | 200 | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | An identifier issuer may include an association, organisation or government agency, for example the Australian Taxation Office, Centrelink, National Australia Bank and Medicare Australia. |
| Comments: | The Australian Standard for Person and provider identification in healthcare (AS 4846:2014) outlines the following principles of identifiers in health care:  Principle A: Identifiers shall be unique to a purpose and often to a person or organisation, although family group identifiers exist and are unique to the family.  Principle B: Identifiers shall not be recycled or reused.  Principle C: Each person or organisation should have a single active identifier from a given issuer for a specific usage at any given point in time.  The combination of 3 identifier data elements—[Identifier—identifier designation, text X[X(19)]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/612730), Identifier issuer and [Identifier—identifier usage, code NNN](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/519499)—uniquely identify an entity for a specific purpose, known as a globally unique identifier. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Reference documents: | Standards Australia 2014. AS 4846:2014 Person and provider identification in healthcare. Sydney: Standards Australia. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Identifier—identifier designation, text X[X(19)]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/612730)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 05/10/2016  See also [Identifier—identifier usage, code NNN](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/519499)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 05/10/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Healthcare provider organisation cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/529509)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 05/10/2016  [Identification in healthcare cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/611321)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 05/10/2016  ***DSS specific information:***  When used to record information associated with a person or provider in healthcare, the identifier should be a valid unique Healthcare Provider Identifier, and will usually be the identifier of a healthcare organisation. Examples include the following:   * Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency issuing profession number for individuals. * Healthcare Identifiers Service issuing Individual Healthcare Identifiers (IHI), Healthcare Provider Identifiers–Individual (HPI-I) and Healthcare Provider Identifiers–Organisation (HPI-O). * Electronic identifier (sometimes called a device) including the Australian Business Number of the insurance company and the HPI-O of the hospital. * Medicare Australia, issuing Medicare Provider Numbers. |