

Mental health phase of care

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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Definition: The mental health phase of care is defined as the prospective primary goal of treatment within the episode of care in terms of the recognised phases of mental health care. Whilst it is recognised that there may be aspects of each mental health phase of care represented in the consumer's mental health plan, the mental health phase of care is intended to identify the main goal or aim that will underpin the next period of care.

The mental health phase of care is independent of both the treatment setting and the designation of the treating service, and does not reflect service unit type.

The five mental health phases of care are:

- 1 Acute
- 2 Functional gain
- 3 Intensive extended
- 4 Consolidating gain
- 5 Assessment only.

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Independent Hospital Pricing Authority 2016. Mental Health Phase of Care Guide. Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Sydney. Viewed 7 September 2016,

<https://www.ihsa.gov.au/publications/mental-health-phase-care-guide>

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Mental health phase of care](#)
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Qualified 23/11/2015

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[Health!](#), Standard 25/01/2018

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[Health!](#), Superseded 25/01/2018

[Episode of care—mental health care phase, code N](#)
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