Person—level of functional independence, Functional Independence Measure score code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Level of functional independence (FIM™ score) |
| METEOR identifier: | 681470 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 18/12/2019  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Superseded 06/05/2020 |
| Definition: | A person's level of functional independence to carry out activities of daily living safely and autonomously, as represented by a Functional Independence Measure score-based code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—level of functional independence](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/680996) |
| Value Domain: | [Functional Independence Measure score code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/449147) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Total assistance with helper |
|  | 2 | Maximal assistance with helper |
|  | 3 | Moderate assistance with helper |
|  | 4 | Minimal assistance with helper |
|  | 5 | Supervision or setup with helper |
|  | 6 | Modified independence with no helper |
|  | 7 | Complete independence with no helper |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The Functional Independence Measure (FIM™) is an instrument which indicates a patient's disability level.  FIM™ is comprised of 18 items, grouped into 2 subscales - motor and cognition.  The motor subscale includes:   * Eating * Grooming * Bathing * Dressing, upper body * Dressing, lower body * Toileting * Bladder management * Bowel management * Transfers - bed/chair/wheelchair * Transfers - toilet * Transfers - bath/shower * Walk/wheelchair * Stairs   The cognition subscale includes:   * Comprehension * Expression * Social interaction * Problem solving * Memory   Each item is scored on a 7 point ordinal scale, ranging from a score of 1 to a score of 7. The higher the score, the more independent the patient is in performing the task associated with that item. The total FIM™ score ranges from 18 to 126. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This data element is used to report a score for one of the 18 items that comprise the Functional Independence Measure instrument. It should be reported in an array of 18 to gain a full (FIMTM) score. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—level of functional independence, Functional Independence Measure score code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/449150)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 25/01/2018  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Superseded 19/01/2018  Has been superseded by [Person—level of functional independence, Functional Independence Measure score code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/717982)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 18/12/2019  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 06/05/2020 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2018-19](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/676264)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 17/10/2018  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2019 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only the Functional Independence Measure scores at admission are required to be reported.  Only required to be reported for episodes of admitted patient care with [Hospital service—care type, code N[N]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/584408) recorded as:   * Code 2, Rehabilitation care; or * Code 4, Geriatric evaluation and management.   Not required to be reported for patients aged 17 and under at admission.  [Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2019-20](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/699414)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 18/12/2019  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2019 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2020 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only the Functional Independence Measure scores at admission are required to be reported.  Only required to be reported for episodes of admitted patient care with [Hospital service—care type, code N[N]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/584408) recorded as:   * Code 2, Rehabilitation care; or * Code 4, Geriatric evaluation and management.   Not required to be reported for patients aged 17 and under at admission. |