

Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty of scheduled doctor, code NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Surgical specialty of scheduled doctor
METEOR identifier:	689726
Registration status:	HealthI , Standard 12/12/2018
Definition:	The area of clinical expertise held by the doctor who will perform the elective surgery , as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty of scheduled doctor
Value Domain:	Elective surgery code NN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	String
Format:	NN
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	01	Cardio-thoracic surgery
	02	Otolaryngology head and neck surgery
	03	General surgery
	04	Gynaecology surgery
	05	Neurosurgery
	06	Ophthalmology surgery
	07	Orthopaedic surgery
	08	Plastic and reconstructive surgery
	09	Urological surgery
	10	Vascular surgery
	11	Other
	12	Paediatric surgery

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 11 Other

All other surgical specialties not otherwise listed.

Comments: The above surgical categories are consistent with the specialties recognised by the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, and as included in the National Elective Surgery Urgency Categorisation Guideline (COAG Health Council 2015) (the Guideline).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: COAG Health Council 2015. National Elective Surgery Urgency Categorisation Guideline - April 2015. Viewed 5 September 2019, <http://www.coaghealthcouncil.gov.au/Portals/0/National%20Elective%20Surgery%20Categorisation%20-%20Guideline%20-%20April%202015.pdf>

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons 2015. Surgical specialties. Viewed 28 October 2015, <http://www.surgeons.org/surgical-specialties/>

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The purpose of this data element is to capture the surgical specialty of the surgeon who will perform the procedure, rather than the type of patient or the nature of the surgery to be performed.

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Elective surgery waiting list episode—surgical specialty \(of scheduled doctor\), code NN](#)
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