# Elective surgery waiting list episode—overdue patient status, code N

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### Identifying and definitional attributes

| Metadata item type:   | Data Element  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Short name:           | Overdue patient status  |
| METEOR identifier:    | 732461  |
| Registration status:  | Health!, Standard 05/02/2021  |
| Definition:           | Whether the wait time of a patient on an elective surgery waiting list has exceeded the time that has been determined as clinically desirable in relation to the urgency category to which they have been assigned, as represented by a code. |
| Context:              | Elective surgery  |
| Data Element Concept: | Elective surgery waiting list episode—overdue patient status  |
| Value Domain:         | Overdue patient status code N   |

## Value domain attributes

#### **Representational attributes**

| Representation class:     | Code   |                 |
|---------------------------|--------|-----------------|
| Data type:                | Number |                 |
| Format:                   | Ν      |                 |
| Maximum character length: | 1      |                 |
|                           | Value  | Meaning         |
| Permissible values:       | 1      | Overdue patient |
|                           | 2      | Other           |

# Data element attributes

#### **Collection and usage attributes**

| Guide for use: | This metadata item is required for patients in all <u>Elective surgery waiting list</u><br><u>episode—clinical urgency, code N</u> categories. Overdue patients are those for<br>whom the hospital system has failed to provide timely care and whose wait may<br>have an adverse effect on the outcome of their care. They are identified by a<br>comparison of <u>Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time at removal, total</u><br><u>days N[NNN]</u> or <u>Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time at a census</u><br><u>date, total days N[NNN]</u> and the maximum desirable time limit for the clinical<br>urgency category.<br>A patient is classified as overdue if waiting time at admission or waiting time at a<br>census date is longer than 30 days for patients in clinical urgency category 1, 90<br>days for patients in clinical urgency category 2, or 365 days for patients in clinical<br>urgency category 3. |
|----------------|---|
| Comments:      | The number and proportion of overdue patients represent a measure of the hospital's performance in the provision of elective hospital care.   |
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#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

#### **Relational attributes**

| Related metadata<br>references:               | Supersedes <u>Elective surgery waiting list episode—overdue patient status, code N</u><br><u>Health!</u> , Superseded 05/02/2021<br><u>Tasmanian Health</u> , Standard 16/06/2020 |
|---|---|
|   | See also <u>Elective surgery waiting list episode</u> <u>clinical urgency, code N</u><br><u>Health!</u> , Standard 05/02/2021<br><u>test</u> , Qualified 20/03/2023               |
|   | See also <u>Elective surgery waiting list episode</u> —waiting time at a census date, total<br><u>days N[NNN]</u><br><u>Health!</u> , Standard 05/02/2021                         |
|   | See also <u>Elective surgery waiting list episode—waiting time at removal, total days</u><br><u>N[NNN]</u><br><u>Health!</u> , Standard 05/02/2021                                |
| Implementation in Data Set<br>Specifications: | Elective surgery waiting times cluster<br>Health!, Standard 05/02/2021  |
|   | Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2021–22<br>Health!, Superseded 17/12/2021<br>Implementation start date: 01/07/2021<br>Implementation end date: 30/06/2022                     |
|   | Elective surgery waiting times NMDS 2022–23<br>Health!, Standard 17/12/2021<br>Implementation start date: 01/07/2022<br>Implementation end date: 30/06/2023                       |