

Emergency service stay—waiting time, total minutes NNNNN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Emergency service waiting time to clinical care commencement
METEOR identifier:	745735
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 20/10/2021
Definition:	The time elapsed in minutes for each patient from presentation in the emergency service to the commencement of the emergency service non-admitted clinical care.
Data Element Concept:	Emergency service stay—waiting time
Value Domain:	Total minutes NNNNN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Number
Format:	NNNNN
Maximum character length:	5
Unit of measure:	Minute (m)

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>Calculated by subtracting the date and time the patient presents to the emergency service from the date and time the emergency service non-admitted clinical care commenced. Although triage category 1 is measured in seconds, it is recognised that the data will not be collected with this precision.</p> <p>This data element should not be completed for patients who have an Emergency service stay—episode end status, code N of 'Did not wait to be attended by a health care professional' or 'Registered, advised of another health care service, and left the emergency department without being attended by a health care professional'.</p>
Comments:	It is recognised that at times of extreme urgency or multiple synchronous presentations, or if no medical officer is on duty in the emergency service, this service may be provided by a nurse.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Independent Hospital Pricing Authority
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Is formed using [Emergency service stay—clinical care commencement date, DDMMYYYY](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 20/10/2021

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[Health!](#), Standard 20/10/2021

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[Health!](#), Standard 20/10/2021

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[Health!](#), Standard 20/10/2021

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Emergency service care NBEDS 2022–23](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 20/10/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

Conditional obligation:

This data item is only required to be reported if the value for [Emergency service stay—episode end status, code N](#) is recorded as:

- Code 1 - Admitted to this hospital (either short stay unit, hospital-in-the-home or non-emergency service hospital ward);
- Code 2 - Non-admitted patient emergency service episode completed - departed without being admitted or referred to another hospital;
- Code 3 - Non-admitted patient emergency service episode completed - referred to another hospital for admission;
- Code 5 - Left at own risk after being attended by a health care professional but before the non-admitted patient emergency service episode was completed;
- Code 6 - Died in emergency service.