



Acronyms and abbreviations

ABF	Activity Based Funding
ACHI	Australian Classification of Health Interventions
ACS	Australian Coding Standards
ACSQHC	Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care (also referred to as 'The Commission')
Adjustment	An amount added to, or subtracted from a Price Weight, in recognition of legitimate and unavoidable variations in the cost of service delivery
Administrator	Administrator of the National Health Funding Pool
Admission/separation/episode	An episode of admitted care is marked by an admission (start) and separation or discharge (end); all three terms are used a unit of count
ADRG	Adjacent Diagnosis Related Groups
AECC	Australian Emergency Care Classification
AHMAC	Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council
AHPCS	Australian Hospital Patient Costing Standards
AMHCC	Australian Mental Health Care Classification
ANACC	Australian Non-Admitted Care Classification
AN-SNAP	Australian National Subacute and Non-Acute Patient classification
APC/APC NMDS	Admitted Patient Care National Minimum Data Set
ARC Committee	Audit, Risk and Compliance Committee
AR-DRG	Australian Refined Diagnosis Related Groups
ATTC	Australian Teaching and Training Classification
CAC	Clinical Advisory Committee
CHC	COAG Health Council
COAG	Council of Australian Governments
COF	Condition Onset Flag
Commission	Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care (also referred to as ACSQHC)
Determination	The National Efficient Price Determination or National Efficient Cost Determination
DRG	Diagnosis Related Group

DRS	Data Request Specification
DSS	Data Set Specification
DTG	DRG Technical Group
ECAWG	Emergency Care Advisory Working Group
ECC	Episode Clinical Complexity (used in AR-DRGs)
ED	Emergency Department
General List	General List of In-Scope Public Hospital Services
HAC	Hospital Acquired Complication
ICD-10-AM	International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems – Tenth Revision – Australian Modification
ICU	Intensive Care Unit
IFR	Independent Financial Review of the NHCDC
IHPA	Independent Hospital Pricing Authority
ITG	ICD Technical Group
JAC	Jurisdictional Advisory Committee
Jurisdictions	Commonwealth, states and territories
JWP	Joint Working Party (with the ACSQHC)
LHN	Local Hospital Network
LOS	Length of Stay
MBS	Medicare Benefits Schedule
MDC	Major Diagnostic Category
MDCC	Multi-Disciplinary Case Conference where the patient is not present
MHISSC	Mental Health Information Strategy Steering Committee
MHWG	Mental Health Working Group
NAC	NHCDC Advisory Committee
NACAWG	Non-Admitted Care Advisory Working Group
NAP	Non Admitted Patient
NBEDS	National Best Endeavours Data Set
NBP	National Benchmarking Portal
NEC	National Efficient Cost
NEP	National Efficient Price
NHCDC	National Hospital Cost Data Collection

NHFB	National Health Funding Body
NHISSC	National Health Information Standards and Statistics Committee
NHRA	National Health Reform Agreement
NMDS	National Minimum Data Set
NPHEd	National Public Hospital Establishments Database
NWAU	National Weighted Activity Unit
PA	Pricing Authority
PAS	Patient Administration System
PBS	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
PGPA Act	Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013
Presentation	An 'episode' of care at an Emergency Department ('episode' is not used here as it means admission and discharge in the admitted setting)
Pricing Framework	Pricing Framework for Australian Public Hospital Services
RVU	Relative Value Unit
SAC	Stakeholder Advisory Committee
SCWG	Subacute Care Working Group
SDMS	Secure Data Management System
Service event	An 'episode' of non-admitted care ('episode' is not used here as it means admission and discharge in the admitted setting)
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
The Act	National Health Reform Act 2011
Tier 2	Tier 2 Non-Admitted Services Classification
TTR	Teaching, Training and Research
TTRWG	Teaching, Training and Research Working Group
UDG	Urgency Disposition Groups
URG	Urgency Related Groups