

# Acute/arranged hospital admissions of PHO enrolled population aged 29 days to 14 years

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## Outcome

Improved management of demand for acute care.

## Measure

Acute/arranged hospital admissions of Primary Health Organisation (PHO) enrolled population aged 29 days to 14 years

## Type

Contributory measure

## Relationship(s) to other frameworks

## Rationale

Acute hospital bed days per capita is a measure of the use of acute services in secondary care that could be improved by effective management in primary care, transition between the community and hospital settings, discharge planning, community support services and good communication between healthcare providers. This includes access to diagnostics services.

The measure will be used to manage the demand for acute inpatient services on the health system. The intent of the measure is to reflect integration between community, primary, and secondary care and it supports the strategic goal of maximising the use of health resources for planned care rather than acute care.

The measure aligns well with the New Zealand Health Strategy's five themes, in particular value and high performance.

## Eligible population

PHO enrolled population aged 29 days to 14 years.

## Measure status

Active

## Numerator

Number of children aged 29 days to 14 years who had an acute or arranged admission for health speciality code dental, medical or surgical.

## Denominator

PHO enrolled children aged 29 days to 14 years

## National target

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## Local target

Milestones to be decided by Alliance

## Data Sources

- National Minimum Dataset, Ministry of Health (numerator)
- PHO enrolment data, Ministry of Health (denominator)

## Data extracted from data sources

- Financial years 2012/13 to 2015/16 data from the NMDS
- PHO Enrolment Registers

## Data availability

Data will be released by the Ministry of Health quarterly

## Measure calculation process

TBA

## Relationship(s) to other measures

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## Measure development notes

Health speciality code excluded acute or arranged admissions for mental health, neonatal intensive care, health in older persons and maternity. All electives were excluded except for dental. Non-New Zealand residents were excluded.