

## eSituation.09 - Primary Symptom

## Definition

The primary sign and symptom present in the patient or observed by EMS personnel.

National Element	Yes	Pertinent Negatives (PN)	No
State Element	Yes	NOT Values	Yes
Version 2 Element	E09_13	Is Nillable	Yes
Usage	Required	Recurrence	1 : 1

## Associated Performance Measure Initiatives

Airway    Cardiac Arrest    Pediatric    STEMI    Stroke    Trauma

## Attributes

**NOT Values (NV)**

7701001 - Not Applicable

7701003 - Not Recorded

## Constraints

**Pattern**

(R[0-6][0-9](\.[0-9]{1,4})?|(R73\.[9])(R99))|([A-QSTZ][0-9][0-9A-Z])(\.[0-9A-Z]{1,4})?)

## Data Element Comment

eSituation.02 (Possible Injury), eSituation.09 (Primary Symptom), eSituation.07 (Chief Complaint Anatomic Location), and eSituation.08 (Chief Complaint Organ System) are grouped together to form the EMS Reason for Encounter.

Code list is represented in ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes. Reference the NEMSIS Suggested Lists at:  
<https://nemsis.org/technical-resources/version-3/version-3-resource-repository/>

ICD-10-CM

Website - <http://uts.nlm.nih.gov>

Product - UMLS Metathesaurus

## Associated Validation Rules

Rule ID	Level	Message
nemSch_e001	Error	When Primary Symptom is empty, it should have a Not Value (Not Applicable, Not Recorded, or Not Reporting, if allowed for the element) or a Pertinent Negative (if allowed for the element), or it should be omitted (if the element is optional).
nemSch_e002	Error	When Primary Symptom has a Not Value (Not Applicable, Not Recorded, or Not Reporting), it should be empty.
nemSch_e077	Warning	Possible Injury should be "Yes" when a symptom or impression is injury-related.
nemSch_e080	Warning	Primary Symptom should be recorded when Type of Service Requested is "Emergency Response (Primary Response Area)" and Patient Evaluation/Care is "Patient Evaluated and Care Provided".
nemSch_e081	Warning	Other Associated Symptoms should only be recorded when Primary Symptom is recorded.