

eSituation.13 - Initial Patient Acuity

Definition

The acuity of the patient's condition upon this EMS unit's arrival at scene.

National Element	Yes	Pertinent Negatives (PN)	No
State Element	Yes	NOT Values	Yes
Version 2 Element		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

Code List

Code	Description
2813001	Critical (Red)
2813003	Emergent (Yellow)
2813005	Lower Acuity (Green)
2813007	Dead without Resuscitation Efforts (Black)
2813009	Non-Acute/Routine

Data Element Comment

Definitions related to "Critical, Emergent, and Lower Acuity" can be found in the National EMS Core Content document from NHTSA EMS (DOT HS 809-898 July 2005) at https://www.ems.gov/assets/National_EMS_Core_Content.pdf

Dead without Resuscitation Efforts would be appropriate if resuscitation was initiated by non-EMS personnel but discontinued immediately upon evaluation by first arriving EMS personnel.

"Non-Acute/Routine" added for use with patients with no clinical issues-such as refusal for a lift assist-or for routine transfers.

Version 3 Changes Implemented

With the release of V3.5.0 additional values were added to meet the needs of EMS.

Associated Validation Rules

Rule ID	Level	Message
nemSch_e001	Error	When Initial Patient Acuity 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 Initial Patient Acuity has a Not Value (Not Applicable, Not Recorded, or Not Reporting), it should be empty.
nemSch_e084	Warning	Initial Patient Acuity should be recorded when Type of Service Requested is "Emergency Response (Primary Response Area)" and Patient Evaluation/Care is "Patient Evaluated and Care Provided".