

eSituation.13 - Initial Patient Acuity

Definition

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

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| 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 |
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| 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 |
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| 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". |