

NEMSiS V3 Suggested List – eSituation.17 Patient Activity

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Introduction

The Patient Activity suggested list has been updated to employ a two-tier choice hierarchy in an effort to make identifying and selecting an appropriate value easier for EMS personnel. The first tier represents a generic activity. The second tier represents a specific activity within the generic activity hierarchy. Thus, EMS software implementing this list may provide an interface that first allows EMS personnel to choose a generic patient activity, and then a group of more specific activities within that generic activity type are provided to make the final value choice(s).

eSituation.17 - Patient Activity

The overall code list associated with eSituation.17 (Patient Activity) represents a list of values found in the 10th revision of the International Classification of Diseases – Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM). The process for gaining access to the ICD-10-CM code values is provided below.

Suggested List

The suggested list associated with eSituation.17 (Patient Activity) can be accessed from the NEMSiS TAC website on the Version 3 Resources page: <https://www.nemsis.org/v3/resources.html>. The suggested code list for eSituation.17 (Patient Activity) is drawn from ICD-10-CM: Y93 Activity Codes section.

Officially any Y93 codes can be submitted based on the Y93 pattern. The suggested code list is a trimmed down list identified to meet the majority of needs of EMS across the nation. Some states may identify additional activities for inclusion.

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Hierarchy Tier Graphic Example

EMS personnel may first choose “Cardio Activities” within the first tier of Activity to document the activity the patient was involved. Multiple second tier choices may appear including “Calisthenics” and “Running” to choose from as the specific activity.

