



# Abbreviations

AAP	Asthma action plan	ICD-10	International Classification of Diseases version 10
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics		
ACAM	Australian Centre for Asthma Monitoring	ICD-10-A	International Statistical Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Australian Modification
ACS	Automated Coding Software		
ACT	Australian Capital Territory	ICPC-2	International Classification of Primary Care
AHR	Airway hyperresponsiveness	IRSD	Index of Relative Socioeconomic Disadvantage
AIHW	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare		
ARIA	Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia	ISAAC	International Study of Asthma and Allergies in Childhood
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification	ISC	Inpatients Statistics Collection
ASMA	Australian System for Monitoring Asthma	MBS	Medical Benefits Schedule
ATC	Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical	NAC	National Asthma Council
BEACH	Bettering the Evaluation and Care of Health	NAEPP	National Asthma Education and Prevention Program
CATI	Computer-assisted telephone interview	NARG	National Asthma Reference Group
CI	Confidence interval	NHMD	National Hospital Morbidity Database
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	NHPA	National Health Priority Area
CURF	Confidentialised unit record files	NHS	National Health Survey
DDD	Defined daily dose	NSW	New South Wales
DIMIA	Department of Immigration & Multicultural & Indigenous Affairs	NT	Northern Territory
DoHA	Department of Health and Ageing (Australian Government)	PBS	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
ECRHS	European Community Respiratory Health Survey	PIP	Practice Incentive Program
ED	Emergency Department	Qld	Queensland
EDDC	Emergency Department Data Collection (NSW Health Department)	RPBS	Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
ETS	Environmental tobacco smoke	RRMA	Rural, Remoteness and Metropolitan Areas (classification)
GINA	Global Initiative for Asthma	SA	South Australia
FEV1	Forced expiratory volume in 1 second	SAND	Supplementary Analysis of Nominated Data
GP	General practitioner	SEIFA	Socio-Economic Index for Areas
GPSCU	General Practice Statistics and Classification Unit	SF-36	Medical Outcomes Study Short-Form 36
HIC	Health Insurance Commission	SLA	Statistical Local Area
HOIST	Health Outcomes and Statistical Toolkit (NSW Health Department)	Tas	Tasmania
HRQoL	Health-related quality of life	VAED	Victorian Admitted Episodes Dataset
ICD-9	International Classification of Diseases version 9	VEMD	Victorian Emergency Minimum Dataset
ICD-9-CM	International Classification of Diseases version 9, Clinical Modification	Vic	Victoria
		WA	Western Australia
		WHO	World Health Organization