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Abbreviations

AASW	Australian Association of Social Workers
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACHA	Australian Community Health Association
ACHS	Australian Council on Healthcare Standards
ACTU	Australian Council of Trade Unions
AHS	Area health services
AIDS	Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
AIH	Australian Institute of Health
ALP	Australian Labor Party
AMA	Australian Medical Association
AMS	Aboriginal Medical Service
ANTA	Australian Natural Therapists' Association
CABG	Coronary artery bypass graft (operations)
CAI	Confederation of Australian Industry
CALL	(Health) Complaints advisory link line
CAT	Computerised axial tomography
CDCSH	Commonwealth Department of Community Services and Health (July 1987 incorporating the former Commonwealth Department of Health)
CDH	Commonwealth Department of Health
CHP	Community Health Program
CPI	Consumer Price Index
DAA	Department of Aboriginal Affairs
DHC	District health councils
DRG	Diagnosis-related groups
DRS	Doctors' Reform Society
FFS	Fee-for-service
HB	Health benefit (card)

HC	Health care (card)
HIC	Health Insurance Commission
HMO	Health Maintenance Organisation
HTIC	Health Targets and Implementation Committee
ICD-9	International Classification of Diseases 9th Revision
IHG	Identified Health Grant
MRI	Magnetic resonance imaging
NAIHO	National Aboriginal and Islander Health Organisation
NCADA	National Campaign Against Drug Abuse
NESB	Non-English-speaking background
NH & MRC	National Health and Medical Research Council
NHS	National Health Service
NOHSC	National Occupational Health and Safety Commission (Worksafe, Australia)
OHS	Occupational Health and Safety
OM	Office of Multicultural Affairs
PBS	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
PHB	Pensioner health benefit (card)
RACGP	Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
RACS	Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
RSI	Repetition strain injury
SDC	Social Development Committee
SPH & TM	School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine
VMO	Visiting medical officer

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