Service event—assistance type, child protection code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Assistance type (child protection) |
| Synonymous names: | Type of assistance/support |
| METEOR identifier: | 331783 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 30/04/2008 [Non Dictionary] |
| Definition: | The type of assistance that a child or family receives from a community services department, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Service event—assistance type](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/310930) |
| Value Domain: | [Child protection assistance type code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/331776) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Protective services |
|  | 2 | Intensive family support services |
|  | 3 | Other support services |
|  | 4 | Respite care |
|  | 5 | Advice/referral to another type of service |
|  | 6 | No service |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1 Protective services  Includes case plan development and management.  CODE 2 Intensive family support services  Those services that aim to prevent imminent separation of children from their primary caregivers because of child protection concerns, and those services that aim to reunify families where separation has already occurred.  CODE 3 General support services  Those services not included above that are either funded or provided by the community services department.  CODE 4 Respite care  Out-of-home care provided on a temporary basis. For example, when the parents or guardians are ill or unable to care for the child on a short term basis. This does not include emergency care provided to children who have been removed for their homes for protective reasons.  CODE 5 Advice/referral to another type of service  Any service that is not provided or funded by the community service department. This can include: mental health, education, drug and alcohol, community health, private psychologists, etc  To be completed as services are provided. It should be updated as soon as a new service is being provided to the child. However, it should only be updated once per type of service. For example, if a child’s family is provided with general family support more than once, it should only be recorded the first time the child’s family uses this support. |



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| Guide for use: | This information should be provided as a new service is being provided to the child. However, it should only be updated once per type of service. For example, if a child's family is provided with general family support more than once, it should only be recorded the first time the child's family uses this support. |
| Collection methods: | To be completed as services are provided. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | National Child Protection and Support Services data group (NCPASS). |
| Origin: | Child protection and support services data dictionary. AIHW Version 1.0 Oct 2005. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Child protection notification—assistance type, child protection code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/455640)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Recorded 19/08/2011 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Child protection and support services (CPSS) - notifications, investigations, and substantiations NMDS (July 2007)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/314520)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 01/05/2008  [Child protection and support services (CPSS) - notifications, investigations, and substantiations NMDS pilot (2008)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/367251)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Retired 06/02/2012 |