

Child protection notification—unborn child status, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Unborn child status (child protection notification)
Synonymous names:	Unborn child flag
METEOR identifier:	455814
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Recorded 19/08/2011 [Non Dictionary]
Definition:	An indicator of whether the child was unborn when the notification was made to the Department responsible for child protection, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Child protection notification—unborn child status
Value Domain:	Yes/no/not applicable/not stated/inadequately described code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Yes
	2	No
Supplementary values:	7	Not applicable
	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Not applicable should be used if unborn children are not covered by the relevant child protection legislation.
Comments:	<p>There are cases where the safety of a child is brought to the attention of child protection authorities before that child is born. While s/he is yet to be born, there are considerable concerns about the safety of the child.</p> <p>This data element is designed to flag that the client is not yet born. This data element may assist with the record linkage processes, and will also provide valuable data on welfare concerns of unborn children.</p>

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Performance and Data Working Group

Origin: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2010. Child protection and support services National Minimum Data Set, data collection manual for the 2010 pilot collection. AIHW: Canberra.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Child protection notification—unborn child status, code N Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 30/04/2008

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Notifications, investigations, and substantiations \(NIS\) DSS Pilot 2010 Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 19/08/2011