

Person—activity and participation life area, disability code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Activity and participation type (Disability)
METEOR identifier:	492131
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 13/03/2013 [Non Dictionary] Disability , Superseded 29/02/2016
Definition:	The life area in which a person participates or undertakes activities, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—activity and participation life area
Value Domain:	Activity and participation type disability code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
Permissible values:	Value	Meaning
	1	Self-care
	2	Mobility
	3	Communication
	4	Interpersonal interactions and relationships
	5	Learning and applying knowledge and general tasks and demands
	6	Education
	7	Community (civic) and economic life
	8	Domestic life
	9	Working

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:**CODE 1 Self-care**

This includes washing oneself, dressing, eating, and toileting.

CODE 2 Mobility

This includes moving around the home and/or moving around away from home (including using public transport or driving a motor vehicle), and getting in or out of bed or a chair.

CODE 3 Communication

This includes making oneself understood, in own native language or preferred method of communication if applicable, and understanding others.

CODE 4 Interpersonal interactions and relationships

This includes actions and behaviours that an individual does to make and keep friends and relationships, behaving within accepted limits, and coping with feelings and emotions.

CODE 5 Learning and applying knowledge and general tasks and demands

This includes understanding new ideas, remembering, problem solving, decision making, paying attention, undertaking single or multiple tasks, and carrying out daily routines.

CODE 6 Education

This includes the actions, behaviours and tasks an individual needs to perform at school, college, or in any educational setting.

CODE 7 Community (civic) and economic life

This includes recreation and leisure, religion and spirituality, human rights, political life and citizenship, and economic life, such as handling money.

CODE 8 Domestic life

This includes organising meals, cleaning, disposing of garbage, housekeeping, shopping, cooking, home maintenance, acquisition of necessities, household tasks, caring for household objects and assisting others.

CODE 9 Working

This includes actions, behaviours and tasks to obtain and retain paid employment.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

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Guide for use:

This item uses components from the ICF Australian user guide on the Activity and Participation life areas (domains). The ICF Australian user guide is designed to be fully consistent with the ICF. The life areas domain list used here is not fully consistent as it combines 'Learning and applying knowledge' and 'General tasks and demands' and is therefore not directly mappable. It should be used in conjunction with a qualifier, which denotes a magnitude of the level of health (e.g. severity of the problem). The Activity and Participation life areas should be used with a generic qualifier which indicates the extent of difficulty such as 'Need for assistance with activities in a life area'.

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. [ICF Australian User Guide, Version 1.0](#). Disability Series. AIHW Cat. No. DIS 33. Canberra: AIHW.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Person—activity and participation life area, disability code N](#)
[Disability](#), Standard 29/02/2016
[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2022

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Activity and participation need for assistance cluster](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 13/03/2013
[Disability](#), Superseded 29/02/2016
DSS specific information: This disability specific 'Activity and Participation life areas' code list replaces the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF) Australian user guide version in the NMDS. As this version is not directly compliant with the ICF, it does not have a superseding relationship to the ICF standard.