

# Client—method of drug use (principal drug of concern), code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Method of use for principal drug of concern
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	270111
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 06/02/2012 <a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 12/12/2018
<b>Definition:</b>	The client's self-reported usual method of administering the principal drug of concern, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Client—method of drug use (principal drug of concern)</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Method of drug use code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1

	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Ingests
	2	Smokes
	3	Injects
	4	Sniffs (powder)
	5	Inhales (vapour)
	6	Other
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	9	Not stated/inadequately described

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	CODE 1
	Refers to eating or drinking as the method of administering the principal drug of concern.
<b>Collection methods:</b>	Collect only for principal drug of concern.
	To be collected on commencement of treatment with a service.
<b>Comments:</b>	Identification of drug use methods is important for minimising specific harms associated with drug use, and is consequently of value for informing treatment approaches.


### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs National Minimum Data Set Working Group

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Client—method of drug use \(principal drug of concern\), code N](#)

[Health](#), Standard 12/12/2018

Is re-engineered from  [Method of use for principal drug of concern, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.7 KB)

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**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 21/03/2006

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2005

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 23/10/2006

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2007-08](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2008

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2008-10](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 22/12/2009

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**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2012

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2012-13](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2013

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**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2013

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2013-15](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/11/2014

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**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2015

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2015-18](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

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**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2018

**Conditional obligation:**

This metadata item should only be collected for clients whose treatment episode is related to their own alcohol and other drug use.

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2018-19](#)

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