Source of community service referral code N[.N]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 270597 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the source of referral to a community service agency. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[.N] | |
| Maximum character length: | 2 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Agency |
|  | 1.1 | Health agency |
|  | 1.2 | Community services agency |
|  | 1.3 | Educational agency |
|  | 1.4 | Legal agency |
|  | 1.5 | Employment/ job placement agency |
|  | 1.6 | Other agency |
|  | 2 | Non-agency |
|  | 2.1 | Self |
|  | 2.2 | Family |
|  | 2.3 | Friends |
|  | 2.4 | General Medical Practitioner |
|  | 2.5 | Other party |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Individual data collections use specific categories relevant to their particular information needs. These categories should be mappable to the above generic domain at the 1-digit or 2-digit level.  The separation of agency from non-agency for source of referral is a significant distinction. For instance, it is important to differentiate between a referral from a private practising general medical practitioner and a referral from a health agency, such as a health clinic in a hospital.  Examples:   * Aged care assessment team would map to category 1.1 * Residential aged care factor to category 1.1 * Community nursing service to category 1.1 * School/other education institution to category 1.3 * General Practitioner to category 2.4 * Police/legal unit to category 1.4 etc. |

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| Relational attributes | |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Referral—referral source (community services), code N[.N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269998)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 06/06/2005  [Referral—referral source, code N[.N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/297469)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 02/06/2005 |