Living arrangement

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary:	NHDD		
Knowledgebase ID:	000629	Version number:	1
Metadata type:	DATA ELEMENT		
Registration Authority:	NHIMG	Admin status:	SUPERSEDED
		Effective date:	01-MAR-05

Definition: Whether a person usually resides alone or with others.

Context: Client support needs and clinical setting:
It is important to record the type of living arrangements for a person in order to develop a sense of the level of support, both physically and emotionally, to which a person may have access.

Whether or not a person lives alone is a significant determinant of risk.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype:	Numeric
Representational form:	CODE
Representation layout:	N
Minimum Size:	1
Maximum Size:	1

Data Domain:

1	Lives alone
2	Lives with others
9	Not stated / inadequately described

Guide For Use: The item does not seek to describe the quality of the arrangements but merely the fact of the arrangement. It is recognised that this item may change on a number of occasions during the course of an episode of care.

Collection Methods: N / A

Related metadata: is used in conjunction with Service contact date version 1
relates to the data element Formal community support access status version 1

relates to the data element Carer availability version 3

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:

Source Organisation: CV-Data Working Group

Comments: Living alone may preclude certain treatment approaches (e.g. home dialysis for end-stage renal disease). Social isolation has also been shown to have a negative impact on prognosis in males with known coronary artery disease with several studies suggesting increased mortality rates in those living alone or with no confidant.

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM	Functional wellbeing

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

Draft DSS - CNMDSA for Community Nursing	From 01-Jul-00 to
DSS - Cardiovascular disease (clinical)	From 01-Jan-03 to