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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| Synonymous names: | Body structure location of impairment |
| METEOR identifier: | 320636 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 16/10/2006[Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 13/08/2015[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 29/11/2006 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the location of impairment in a specified body structure from the *Body Structures* component of the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF 2001). |
| Context: | Human functioning and disability. |

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| Representational attributes |
| Classification scheme: | [International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health 2001](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270548) |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | Number |
| Format: | N |
| Maximum character length: | 1 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 0 | More than one region |
|   | 1 | Right |
|   | 2 | Left |
|   | 3 | Both sides |
|   | 4 | Front |
|   | 5 | Back |
|   | 6 | Proximal |
|   | 7 | Distal |
| Supplementary values: | 8 | Not specified |
|   | 9  | Not applicable  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | This metadata item contributes to the definition of the concept '[**Disability**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327304)' and gives an indication of the experience of disability for a person.*Impairments of body structure* are problems in body structure such as a loss or significant departure from population standards or averages.Use only one code. Select the one that best describes the situation with this structure. Combinations are not possible.CODE 0     More than one region (except both sides)Used when the impairment is present in more than one body location (but not bilaterally see code 3); for example when burn scars affect many areas of skin.CODE 1     RightUsed when the impairment is present to the right of the midline of the person's body.CODE 2     LeftUsed when the impairment is present to the left of the midline of the person's body.CODE 3     Both sides (bilateral)Used when the impairment is two-sided and disposed on opposite sides of the midline axis of the body, for example bilateral joint deformities.CODE 4     FrontUsed when the impairment is present in front of a line passing through the midline of the body when viewed from the side.CODE 5     BackUsed when the impairment is present behind a line passing through the midline of the body when viewed from the side.CODE 6     ProximalUsed when the impairment is situated towards the point of origin or attachment, as of a limb or bone (opposed to distal), for example the end of the structure that is closer to the centre of the body.CODE 7     DistalUsed when the impairment is situated away from the point of origin or attachment, as of a limb or bone (opposed to proximal), for example the end of structure that is further away from the centre of the body.CODE 8     Not specifiedUsed when there is an impairment of body structure but the location of the impairment is not recorded.CODE 9     Not applicableUsed when it is not appropriate to code the location of an impairment of body structure. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) which is the Australian Collaborating Centre for the World Health Organization Family of International Classifications. |
| Origin: | WHO 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHOAIHW 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW  |
| Reference documents: | Further information on the ICF, including more detailed codes, can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003), at the following websites:* WHO ICF website<http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en/>
* Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website<http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.cfm>

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| Relational attributes  |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Impairment location code (ICF 2001) N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/288458)       [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 16/10/2006 |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Person—location of impairment of body structure, code (ICF 2001) N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/320177)       [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 16/10/2006       [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 13/08/2015       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 29/11/2006 |