Communication method code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 320907 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 27/04/2007 |
| Definition: | A code set representing methods of communication. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Spoken language (effective) |
|  | 2 | Sign language (effective) |
|  | 3 | Other effective non-spoken communication (e.g. Canon Communicator, Compic) |
|  | 4 | Little or no effective communication |
|  | 5 | Child aged under 5 years (not applicable) |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Code 1 and 2  The communication must be effective in that the person must be able  to communicate more than just basic needs, to unfamiliar people, using this method.  Code 5     Child aged under 5 years (not applicable)  This item is considered ‘not applicable’ to young children. Hence, children aged 0–4 years should always be represented by code ‘5’.  If the communication method varies over time and it is difficult to say what the usual method is, please report the most effective method during the reference week. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set (CSTDA NMDS) collection. Data Guide: data items and definitions 2005-06. |

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| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Communication method code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270753)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 29/04/2006  Has been superseded by [Communication method code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/347258)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 27/04/2007  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 07/10/2014 |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/322186)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 27/04/2007 |