Person—type of interpreter service required, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Interpreter service type |
| Synonymous names: | Type of interpreter service |
| METEOR identifier: | 323185 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 27/04/2007  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 29/02/2016 |
| Definition: | Whether an interpreter service required by a person is for spoken language or non-spoken communication, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—type of interpreter services required](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/323181) |
| Value Domain: | [Spoken language/non-spoken communication code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/323183) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Spoken language other than English |
|  | 2 | Non-spoken communication |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 2 Non-spoken communication  If a person communicated with the assistance of a signer (i.e. not necessarily arranged by the agency/service provider) this code should be used. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | CSTDA NMDS Network. |
| Origin: | Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set (CSTDA NMDS) collection. Data Guide: data items and definitions 2006-07. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Person—type of interpreter service required, spoken language/non-spoken communication code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/623483)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 29/02/2016  See also [Person—interpreter service required](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/304292)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 10/04/2006  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 28/09/2016  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 08/02/2006  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 27/04/2021  [WA Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/2), Standard 19/03/2015  See also [Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/639616)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 28/09/2016  See also [Person—interpreter service required, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/623421)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 28/09/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement NMDS - 1 July 2006](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/317350)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 14/12/2008  ***DSS specific information:*** This data element must be completed if a response of Yes (code 1) is recorded in response to the question of whether an interpreter service is required.  [Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement NMDS (July 2008)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/372123)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 11/11/2009  ***DSS specific information:*** This data element must be completed if a response of Yes (code 1) is recorded in response to the question of whether an interpreter service is required.  [Disability services client details cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/484543)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 10/04/2013  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 13/08/2015  [Disability Services NMDS 2009-10](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/386485)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 15/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009 ***DSS specific information:*** This data element must be completed if a response of Yes (code 1) is recorded in response to the question of whether an interpreter service is required.  [Disability Services NMDS 2010-11](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/428708)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 15/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2010 ***DSS specific information:*** This data element must be completed if a response of Yes (code 1) is recorded in response to the question of whether an interpreter service is required.  [Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/461636)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 13/03/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011 ***DSS specific information:*** This data element must be completed if a response of Yes (code 1) is recorded in response to the question of whether an interpreter service is required.  [Disability Services NMDS 2012-14](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/461640)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 13/03/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2014 ***Conditional obligation:*** This data element must be completed if a response of 'yes' is recorded in response to 'Interpreter services required, yes/no'. ***DSS specific information:***  This data item is used in conjunction with 'Interpreter service required, yes/no'.  In the DS NMDS this data element refers to the requirement for interpreter services as perceived by the person seeking assistance.  In the DS NMDS, the need for interpreter services along with the type of the service required is collected in one question using the following codes:  1   Yes—for spoken language other than English  2   Yes—for non-spoken communication  3   No  9   Not stated  The data item relates to interpreter services for languages other than English, as well as interpreter services required because a person uses sign language or other form of non-spoken communication.  The data item 6 ‘Communication method’, provides the opportunity to indicate the use of sign language and the level of effective communication of the service user.  [Disability Services NMDS 2014-15](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/569749)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 29/02/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2014 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015 ***Conditional obligation:*** This data element must be completed if a response of 'yes' is recorded in response to 'Interpreter services required, yes/no'. ***DSS specific information:***  This data item is used in conjunction with 'Interpreter service required, yes/no'.  In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element refers to the requirement for interpreter services as perceived by the person seeking assistance.  In the DS NMDS, the need for interpreter services along with the type of the service required is collected in one question using the following codes:  1   Yes—for spoken language other than English  2   Yes—for non-spoken communication  3   No  9   Not stated  The data item relates to interpreter services for languages other than English, as well as interpreter services required because a person uses sign language or other form of non-spoken communication.  The data item 6 ‘Communication method’, provides the opportunity to indicate the use of sign language and the level of effective communication of the service user. |