Conditional obligation

The following information is applicable to data set specifications only.

Definition

A description of any conditions that apply to collection of data for a specified data element (or data set specification) within the context of a particular data set specification.

Obligation

Conditional completion: this attribute should be completed if the obligation for collecting a data element (or data set specification) within a data set specification has been set to conditional.

Development rules

Conditional obligation should clearly express the particular conditions relating to when a data element (or data set specification) is to be collected as part of a data set specification.

An example of conditional obligation is where one data element is only collected if another data element within the same data set specification has a particular value (e.g. only collect pregnancy status when a person's sex is 'female').