

Care arrangement (care and protection order) code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Value Domain

METEOR identifier: 331762

Registration status:

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 30/04/2008
- [Homelessness](#), Standard 23/08/2010
- [Housing assistance](#), Standard 23/08/2010

Definition: A code set representing types of care arrangements for a child.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N[N]

Maximum character length: 2

Permissible values:

Value	Meaning
1	Residential care
2	Family group home
3	Relative(s)/kin who are reimbursed
4	Foster care
5	Other home-based care (reimbursed)
6	Relative(s)/kin who are not reimbursed
7	Independent living
8	Other living arrangements
9	Parents

Supplementary values: 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:**CODE 1 Residential care**

Where placement is in a residential building where the purpose is to provide placements for children and where there are paid staff.

CODE 2 Family group home

Family group homes provide care to children in a departmentally or community sector agency provided home. These homes have live-in, non-salaried carers who are reimbursed and/or subsidised for the provision of care.

CODE 3 Relatives/kin who are reimbursed

Includes family members (other than parents) or a person well known to the child and/or family (based on a pre-existing relationship) who is reimbursed by the state/territory.

CODE 4 Foster care

Includes situations in which a child is living with foster parent(s) who receive a foster care allowance from a government or non-government organisation for the care of a child (excluding children in family group homes)

CODE 5 Other home based care (reimbursed)

Any other type of reimbursed home-based care that does not fit into the above categories.

CODE 6 Relative/kin who are not reimbursed

Includes family members (other than parents) or a person well known to the child and/or family (based on a pre-existing relationship) who ARE NOT reimbursed by the state/territory.

CODE 7 Independent living

This includes private board and lead-tenant households.

CODE 8 Other living arrangements

This includes any living arrangements not mentioned above.

CODE 9 Parents

Includes natural or adoptive parents of the child.

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Is used when the family in which a child lives in not recorded or is unknown.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Child Protection and Support Services data working group (NCPASS).

Origin: <P>Child Protection and Support Services National Minimum Data Set, Data Collection Manual, AIHW September 2005.</P>

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Living arrangement type for child under care code N\[N\]](#)

- [Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016
- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Candidate 14/02/2014

**Data elements
implementing this value
domain:**

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- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 30/04/2008
- [Health](#), Incomplete 09/11/2010
- [Homelessness](#), Standard 23/08/2010
- [Housing assistance](#), Standard 23/08/2010