

# Record—linkage key

**Metadata item type:** Data Element Concept

**METEOR identifier:** 349891

**Registration status:**

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 21/05/2010
- [Disability](#), Standard 07/10/2014
- [Early Childhood](#), Standard 21/05/2010
- [Health](#), Standard 07/12/2011
- [Homelessness](#), Standard 23/08/2010
- [Housing assistance](#), Standard 23/08/2010

**Definition:** A key that enables the bringing together of two or more records that are believed to belong to the same individual.

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

**Object class:** [Record](#)

**Definition:** An account of something, preserved in a lasting form.

**Specialisation of:** [Service/care event](#)

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

**Property:** [Linkage key](#)

**Definition:** A key that enables the bringing together of two or more things.

**Property group:** [Identifier characteristics](#)

## Data element concept attributes

### Relational attributes

**Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:**

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- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 21/05/2010
- [Disability](#), Standard 07/10/2014
- [Early Childhood](#), Standard 21/05/2010
- [Health](#), Superseded 25/01/2018
- [Homelessness](#), Superseded 10/08/2018
- [Housing assistance](#), Standard 23/08/2010

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- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 09/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 25/01/2018
- [Homelessness](#), Standard 10/08/2018

