Person—type of substance used illicitly, drug of concern (ASCDC 2011 extended) code NNNN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Type of substance used illicitly
METEOR identifier:	365401
Registration status:	Community Services (retired), Standard 06/02/2012 Health, Standard 25/08/2011
Definition:	The type of substance used illicitly by a person, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—type of substance used illicitly
Value Domain:	Drug of concern (ASCDC 2011 extended) code NNNN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	Australian Standard Classification of Drugs of Concern 2011	
Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	String	
Format:	NNNN	
Maximum character length:	4	
	Value	**Meaning**
Supplementary values:	0005	Opioid analgesics not further defined
	0006	Psychostimulants not further defined

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The Australian Standard Classification of Drugs of Concern (ASCDC) provides a number of supplementary codes that have specific uses and these are detailed within the ASCDC, e.g. 0000 = inadequately described.

Other supplementary codes that are not already specified in the ASCDC may be used in National Minimum Data Sets (NMDS) when required. In the Alcohol and other drug treatment service NMDS, two additional supplementary codes have been created which enable a finer level of detail to be captured:

CODE 0005 Opioid analgesics not further defined

This code is to be used when it is known that the client's principal drug of concern is an opioid but the specific opioid used is not known. The existing code 1000 combines opioid analgesics and non-opioid analgesics together into Analgesics nfd and the finer level of detail, although known, is lost.

CODE 0006 Psychostimulants not further defined

This code is to be used when it is known that the client's principal drug of concern is a psychostimulant but not which type. The existing code 3000 combines stimulants and hallucinogens together into Stimulants and hallucinogens nfd and the finer level of detail, although known, is lost.

Psychostimulants refer to the types of drugs that would normally be coded to 3100-3199, 3300-3399 and 3400-3499 categories plus 3903 and 3905.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This data element is used in conjunction with the data element: Person—substance used illicitly indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N to provide information on the type of substances a person has used illicitly.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: AIHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) 2008. 2007 National Drug Strategy Household Survey: first results. Drug Statistics Series number 20.Cat. no. PHE 98. Canberra: AIHW.

Reference documents: AIHW 2010a. Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services National Minimum Data Set 2010–11: specifications and collection manual. Drug statistics series no. 24. Cat. no. PHE 125. Canberra: AIHW.

AIHW 2010b. The health of Australia's prisoners 2009. Cat. no. PHE 123. Canberra: AIHW.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also Person—substance used illicitly indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N
Health, Standard 28/04/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: Substances used illicitly cluster
Health, Superseded 28/04/2016
Conditional obligation: Conditional on person using a substance in an illicit manner in the last 12 months.

Substances used illicitly cluster
Health, Standard 28/04/2016
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on person using a substance in an illicit manner in the last 12 months.

Substances used illicitly cluster (prison entrants)
Health, Qualified 06/07/2023
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on person using a substance in an illicit manner in the last 12 months.