

# Transgender

## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Glossary Item

**METEOR identifier:** 398610

**Registration status:**

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
- [Health](#), Superseded 23/08/2018

**Definition:** A transgender person is a person who:

(a) identifies as a member of a different sex by living, or seeking to live, as a member of that sex; or

(b) has identified as a member of a different sex by living as a member of that sex; whether or not the person is a recognised transgender person.

## Collection and usage attributes

**Comments:** A person's sex may change during their lifetime as a result of surgical procedures known alternatively as sex change, gender reassignment, transsexual surgery, transgender reassignment or sexual reassignment. Throughout this process, which may be over a considerable period of time, sex could be recorded as either male or female.

## Source and reference attributes

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

**Reference documents:** [Australian Capital Territory Legislation \(Gay, Lesbian and Transgender\) Amendment Act 2003](#)

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Transgender](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 23/08/2018

**Metadata items which use  
this glossary item:**

[Person—transgender indicator](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
- [Health](#), Standard 25/08/2011

[Person—transgender indicator, code N](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
- [Health](#), Superseded 28/04/2016

[Person—transgender indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 28/04/2016

[Prisoner health NBEDS](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 28/04/2016

[Transgender indicator](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
- [Health](#), Standard 25/08/2011