Address—purpose of address, code AA[A]

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Purpose of address
Synonymous names:	Address usage code; Address purpose code
METEOR identifier:	428932
Registration status:	• [Community Services (retired)](#), Standard 06/02/2012 • [Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015 • [Health](#), Standard 05/10/2016
Definition:	The role or use of the address in relation to a person, as represented by a code
Data Element Concept:	[Address—purpose of address](#)

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	String
Format:	AA[A]
Maximum character length:	3

Permissible values:

Value	Meaning
PR	Primary property address
SEC	Secondary property address
RES	Residential address
TEM	Temporary accommodation
BUS	Business address
OVS	Address when overseas
DEL	Delivery address
POS	Postal/correspondence address
OTH	Other address

Supplementary values:

Value	Meaning
UNK	Not stated/unknown

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: PR   Primary property address

The property address normally used by the client. (These addresses desirably should have been assigned by a Council).

NOTE: Where this is the principal place of residence of the client the residential code should be used.

SEC   Secondary property address

The address of an additional property attached to the client.

RES   Residential address

The address of the principal place of residence for the client.

TEM   Temporary accommodation

The address where the client is resident for a temporary period.

BUS   Business address

The address of the principal place of business for the client.

OVS   Address when overseas

The address used by the client when overseas.

DEL   Delivery address

The address used for goods delivery purposes.

POS   Postal/correspondence address

The address used by the client for receipt of correspondence.

OTH   Other address

Any other purpose not listed above.

UNK   Not stated/unknown

To be used in instances where the address purpose is not stated or unknown. A null entry should be recorded.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: Standards Australia 2006. AS 4590—2006 Interchange of client information. Sydney: Standards Australia.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The address purpose code can only exist if an associated address has been entered. The address entered can be an Australian address whilst the person is overseas.

Source and reference attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person (address)—address type, code N](#)

- [Community Services (retired)](#), Superseded 06/02/2012
- [Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016

Supersedes [Service provider organisation (address)—address type, code N](#)

- [Community Services (retired)](#), Superseded 06/02/2012
- [Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Address details data dictionary](#)[Community Services (retired)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015

[Address group cluster](#)[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2016

DSS specific information:

The address purpose may be collected for both the **individual** and the **organisation** in the Person and provider identification in healthcare national best practice data set. It should be collected for every address. Note that an address may have multiple address purposes at a given point in time.

If the address is a either a primary address, secondary address, residential address or temporary accommodation, the corresponding values for the [Address—address status identifier, code AAA](#) data element should be either official address, valid alias address or unknown address at the time of collection.

Note that the [Address—purpose of address, code AA[A]](#) data element allows a null entry for address purpose. A null entry is not accepted in the Person and provider identification in healthcare national best practice data set.