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Child protection client alias cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: **Data Set Specification**

METEOR identifier: 433768

Registration status: Community Services (retired), Recorded 19/08/2011 [Non Dictionary]

DSS type: Data Element Cluster

Scope: The Client alias cluster is used to determine whether a current child protection and

support services client has ever been recorded as a client of the service under an alias or assigned a different client identifier, prior to this instance of being a client.

Information regarding all previous names and/or client identifiers is captured here and can be used to assist with data integration across years and jurisdictions.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The Person—person identifier, child protection NX[X(13)] is collected at least

twice in the Client alias cluster.

The first occurrence of this data element must match the identifier in the Child protection and support services (CPSS) client DSS exactly. The second and subsequent occurrences are identifiers which may have been allocated upon prior

instances of the child becoming a client of child protection services.

The Person—letters of given name, text XX and Person—letters of family name, text XXX may also be collected multiple times, to reflect any name changes that the

client may undergo.

The above data elements are used for data integration purposes.

Collection methods: All identifiers that have been used to identify the child should be included in this file.

Comments: The 2010 unit record collection is a pilot test, therefore the implementation of the

unit record data collection across all jurisdictions has not been finalised. The pilot test is a non-mandatory data set specification, rather than a national minimum data set specification, and is subject to change. A final unit record child protection NMDS will be developed when the results from the pilot/dress rehearsal testing are

obtained and evaluated.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Performance and Data Working Group

Origin: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AlHW) 2010. Child protection and

support services National Minimum Data Set, data collection manual for the 2010

pilot collection. AlHW: Canberra.

Relational attributes

Specifications:

Implementation in Data Set Child protection and support services (CPSS) client DSS Pilot (2010)

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Conditional obligation: This cluster should only be collected if the client has been known to the Department responsible for child protection prior to this instance of

being a client.

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq Metadata item No.

Obligation Max occurs

- Person—letters of family name, text XXX

Mandatory 99

DSS specific information:

The 2nd, 3rd and 5th letters of the client's family name are combined with the 2nd and 3rd letters of the client's given name to obtain the 5 digit letters of the client's name.

- Person—letters of given name, text XX

Mandatory 99

DSS specific information:

The 2nd and 3rd letters of the client's given name are combined with the 2nd, 3rd and 5th letters of the client's family name to obtain the 5 digit letters of the client's name.

- Person—person identifier, child protection NX[X(11)]

Mandatory 99

DSS specific information:

This item is collected at least twice in the client alias file. The first occurence of this data element must match the identifier in the Child protection and support services (CPSS) client DSS exactly. The second and subsequent occurrences are identifiers which may have been allocated prior to the child being identified as an existing client.