

Drug of concern (ASCDC 2011 extended) code NNNN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	467545
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 06/02/2012 Health , Standard 07/12/2011
Definition:	The ASCDC (2011) code set representing drug of concern.

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.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Drug of concern \(ASCDC 2000 extended\) code NNNN](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
[Health](#), Superseded 07/12/2011

**Data elements
implementing this value
domain:**

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—drug of concern \(other\),
\(ASCDC 2011 extended\) code NNNN](#)
[Health](#), Standard 07/12/2011

[Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs—drug of concern \(principal\),
\(ASCDC 2011 extended\) code NNNN](#)
[Health](#), Standard 07/12/2011

[Person—type of substance used illicitly, drug of concern \(ASCDC 2011 extended\)
code NNNN](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
[Health](#), Standard 25/08/2011