Health service non-utilisation reason cluster

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Set Specification
METEOR identifier:	482518
Registration status:	Health, Standard 28/04/2016
DSS type:	Data Element Cluster
Scope:	The Health service non-utilisation reason cluster defines the reason for non-utilisation of health services in the community and in prison by prison entrants in the last 12 months; and provides a greater understanding of the health seeking behaviours of prison entrants.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	The Health service non-utilisation reason cluster comprises three data elements that in combination provide information on a prison entrant's health seeking behaviours in the community and prison. The data elements include: Prison entrant—service provider needed but not utilised indicator, yes/no code N; Prison entrant—reason for non-utilisation of health service, code NN and Health service event—prisoner location when service provider was needed, but not utilised, prisoner location code N.

The Health service non-utilisation reason cluster defines the following information:

Reason for non-utilisation of health service	Location of prisoner: Community	Location of prisoner: Prison
Cost	Y/N	Y/N
Cultural/language/discrimination/gender	Y/N	Y/N
Felt at the time I didn't need/want to/couldn't be bothered	Y/N	Y/N
Transport/distance	Y/N	Y/N
Waiting time too long or not available at time required	Y/N	Y/N
Not available in area	Y/N	Y/N
Too busy (including work, personal, family responsibilities)	Y/N	Y/N
Legal issues (police custody, court, watchouse)	Y/N	Y/N
Affected by alcohol or other drugs (including from prescribed drugs)	Y/N	Y/N
Unable to access at time required (lock down)	Y/N	Y/N
Other	Y/N	Y/N

Collection methods:	Information on health service non-utilisation reason is provided at the reception assessment on the National Prisoner Health Data Collection Prison Entrants form. Only prison entrants who have been in prison in the last 12 months may provide responses to the 'Prison' category.
Implementation start date:	18/05/2012

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata
references: Has been superseded by [Health service non-utilisation reason cluster](#)
    [Health](#), Qualified 06/07/2023

Implementation in Data Set   [Prison entrants NBEDS](#)
Specifications: [Health](#), Standard 28/04/2016
    Conditional obligation:

    Conditional on the prison entrant not seeing a health professional during the last 12
    months, when required.

    DSS specific information:

    This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National
    Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison entrants by
    reason for not seeking medical contact in the past 12 months when required.

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
1	[Prison entrant—service provider needed but not utilised indicator, yes/no code N](#)	Mandatory	1
2	[Prison entrant—reason for non-utilisation of health service, code NN](#)	Conditional	11

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on a 'yes' response to [Prison entrant—service provider needed but
not utilised indicator, yes/no code N](#).

3	[Health service event—prisoner location when service provider was needed, but not utilised, prisoner location code N](#)	Conditional	22

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on a 'yes' response to [Prison entrant—service provider needed but
not utilised indicator, yes/no code N](#).