

Degree of hearing impairment code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	497233
Registration status:	Indigenous , Standard 08/08/2014
Definition:	Code set representing the degree of hearing impairment measured in decibel hearing level (dBHL).

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Mild
	2	Moderate
	3	Severe
	4	Profound
Supplementary values:	8	Unknown
	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Proposed unit of measure: Decibel hearing level(dBHL)

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	The degree of hearing impairment is based on the better ear and is measured in decibel hearing level (dBHL) as follows: CODE 1 Mild 16-30dBHL in sound proof conditions and 26-35dBHL in non-soundproof conditions CODE 2 Moderate 31-60dBHL in sound proof conditions and 36-60dBHL in non-soundproof conditions CODE 3 Severe 61-90dBHL in sound proof conditions and 61-90dBHL in non-soundproof conditions CODE 4 Profound 91dBHL in sound proof conditions and 91dBHL in non-soundproof conditions.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Reference documents:	AIHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) 2011. Ear and hearing health of Indigenous children in the Northern Territory 2011. Cat. no. IHW 60. Canberra: AIHW. Pg 34. http://www.aihw.gov.au/publication-detail/?id=10737420423

Relational attributes

Data elements
implementing this value
domain:

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