

Specialist Homelessness Services disability flag cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Set Specification
METEOR identifier: 509290
Registration status:

- [Homelessness](#), Superseded 10/08/2018
- [Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/05/2013

DSS type: Data Element Cluster

Scope: In the Specialist Homeless Services NMDs, these data elements are used together to assess the functional status of a person across a range of life areas.

The cluster combines the two data elements: *Person—activity and participation life area, disability flag homelessness code N* and *Person—need for assistance with activities in a life area, disability flag homelessness code N*, to complete the following matrix:

	Always/ sometimes need help and/or supervision	Have difficulty, but don't need help/supervision	Don't have difficulty, but use aids/equipment	Have no difficulty
Self-care				
Mobility				
Communication				

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: It is expected that the data elements in this cluster will be used to collect information from the individual being assessed, or a proxy/carer or service worker answering on their behalf. The responses are phrased in answer to the question 'For each of the following activities, do you need help/supervision, have difficulty, or use aids/equipment? (choose one answer for each row)'.

Also required is the following preamble to the question:

'The next question is about whether a long-term health condition or disability restricts your everyday activities. A long-term health condition is one that has lasted, or is expected to last, 6 months or more. Examples of long-term health conditions that might restrict your everyday activities include severe asthma, epilepsy, hearing loss, arthritis, depression, autism, kidney disease, chronic pain, speech impairment, stroke.'

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Specialist Homelessness Services disability flag cluster](#)

- [Homelessness](#), Standard 10/08/2018

Implementation in Data Set

Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14Homelessness](#), Superseded 26/08/2014

[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 26/08/2014

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at presentation.

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2014-15Homelessness](#), Superseded 24/11/2016

[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 24/11/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2014

Implementation end date: 30/06/2015

Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at presentation.

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2015-17Homelessness](#), Superseded 24/11/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at presentation.

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2017-19Homelessness](#), Superseded 10/08/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2017

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at presentation.

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
-	Person—activity and participation life area, disability flag homelessness code N	Mandatory	1
-	Person—need for assistance with activities in a life area, disability flag homelessness code N	Mandatory	1