

# WA Abortion Notification System

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Set Specification
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	510999
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">WA Health</a>, Standard 04/03/2014</li></ul>
<b>DSS type:</b>	Data Set Specification (DSS)
<b>Scope:</b>	The scope of the WA Abortion Notification System (WA ANS) is defined by <a href="#">Form 1</a> of the <a href="#">Regulations</a> for the <a href="#">WA Health Act 1911</a> . The WA ANS holds a digital copy of information provided on Form 1 by Medical Practitioners to the Executive Director, Public Health within 14 days of performing a procedure that is intended to terminate a woman's pregnancy or a fetus of a multiple pregnancy. Details of events for women having miscarriages (spontaneous abortions) or procedures to extract fetuses that have died in utero are not included in this collection.

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Statistical unit:</b>	Each event that terminates a pregnancy. Also each event that terminates one or more fetuses of a multiple pregnancy where pregnancy is expected to continue for one or more other fetuses to be born alive at a later date.
<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>This DSS specifies the data elements required to be reported by Medical Practitioners by the <a href="#">WA Health Act 1911</a>, and its <a href="#">Regulations</a>. It also describes any relationships with other DSS or Data Elements.</p> <p>The <a href="#">WA Health Act 1911</a> prohibits identifying information being reported on <a href="#">Form 1</a> for women having induced abortions. Some demographic data are collected for statistical analysis like pregnancy gestation and maternal age, postcode of residence and indigenous status.</p>
<b>Collection methods:</b>	The <a href="#">Health (Section 335(5)(d) Abortion Notice) Amendment Regulations 2001</a> specify Form 1. Medical Practitioners must complete this form within 14 days for each <a href="#">abortion</a> induced. Original copies of the completed form are submitted to the Department of Health and a copy retained by the Practitioner. Information provided on Form 1 is converted to electronic data through data entry at the Department of Health.
<b>Implementation start date:</b>	01/01/2002
<b>Implementation end date:</b>	31/07/2014

## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	WA Department of Health
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Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
1	<a href="#">Registered health professional—Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency registration number, AAAN(10)</a>	Mandatory	1
2	<a href="#">Establishment—WA identifier, NNN[N]</a>	Mandatory	1
3	<a href="#">Pregnancy—abortion commenced date, DDMMYYYY</a>	Mandatory	1
4	<a href="#">Pregnancy—estimated duration, total weeks N[N]</a>	Mandatory	1
5	<a href="#">Pregnancy—abortion method, code N</a>	Mandatory	1
6	<a href="#">Pregnancy—abortion method, text X[(50)]</a>	Conditional	1
7	<a href="#">Pregnancy—abortion reason, code N</a>	Mandatory	1
8	<a href="#">Product of conception—description of congenital anomaly, text X[(50)]</a>	Conditional	1
9	<a href="#">Person—age, total years N[NN]</a>	Mandatory	1
10	<a href="#">Person—Indigenous status, code N</a>	Mandatory	1
11	<a href="#">Address—Australian postcode, Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}</a>	Mandatory	1
12	<a href="#">Record—identifier, NN[8]</a>	Mandatory	1