

Address—electronic communication medium, code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Electronic communication medium
Synonymous names:	Electronic communication type
METEOR identifier:	522584
Registration status:	Health , Standard 05/10/2016 Indigenous , Standard 16/10/2017
Definition:	The type of mechanism used for electronic communication with an entity, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Address—electronic communication medium
Value Domain:	Electronic communication medium code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Telephone (excluding mobile telephone)
	2	Mobile (cellular) telephone
	3	Facsimile machine
	4	Pager
	5	Email
	6	Uniform Resource Identifier (URI)
	7	Instant messaging
	8	Teletypewriter (TTY)
	88	Other

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:**CODE 1 Telephone (excluding mobile telephone)**

Includes the telephone number and area code. This is usually recorded without spaces, although it may be displayed with spaces. A country code must be added if this field is to include international numbers.

CODE 2 Mobile (cellular) telephone

Includes the telephone number and area code. This is usually recorded without spaces, although it may be displayed with spaces. This is a special type of phone number often used for purposes different to those for which a conventional phone number is used. This number may be used for SMS-based automated communications.

CODE 3 Facsimile machine

Includes the telephone number and area code to be used to send facsimile communications to this individual or organisation.

CODE 4 Pager

Includes the number and details required for pager communication with an individual.

CODE 5 Email

Includes the email address of the individual or organisation.

CODE 6 Uniform Resource Identifier (URI)

Includes the social networking page identifier or website address.

CODE 7 Instant messaging

Includes voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) or Skype addresses.

CODE 8 Teletypewriter

Includes electronic communication media used by the blind and deaf community.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: Standards Australia 2014. AS 4846:2014 Person and provider identification in healthcare. Sydney: Standards Australia.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: An individual or organisation may have many electronic communication mechanisms. Each should have an indication of their usage code associated with them.

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person \(address\)—electronic communication medium, code N](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 30/09/2005
[Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016

Supersedes [Service provider organisation \(address\)—electronic communication medium, code N](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 30/09/2005
[Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 16/10/2017

See also [Address—electronic communication usage code, code N](#)
[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Electronic address cluster](#)
[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2016

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2017–18](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 22/10/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2017

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2018–19](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 02/04/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2019–20](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 16/01/2020
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 14/07/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

[Indigenous primary health care NBEDS 2020–21](#)
[Health](#), Retired 13/10/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

Implementation end date: 30/06/2021

[Indigenous-specific primary health care NBEDS December 2020](#)
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 03/07/2022

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

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