

Biometric identifiers cluster

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Set Specification
METEOR identifier:	529504
Registration status:	Health , Standard 05/10/2016
DSS type:	Data Element Cluster
Scope:	The Biometric identifiers cluster includes data elements that define information on the use of biometric identifiers and the type of biometric identification used. Biometric capture devices record the unique biological characteristics of an individual in order to identify a person.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Biometric identifiers can be used in addition to conventional identification methods, as they can be faster and more reliable. Traditional methods of identification centre on something a person has, such as a token or a driver's license, or something one knows, such as a password, address or name. Unlike these methods of identification, biometric identifiers are part of the person and therefore cannot be forgotten or stolen.
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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.

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	Person and provider identification in healthcare National Best Practice Data Set Health , Standard 05/10/2016
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Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
1	Person—biometric identifier used indicator, yes/no code N	Mandatory	1
2	Identifier—type of biometric identifier used, code N[N]	Conditional	16

Conditional obligation:

The use of this data element is conditional upon a 'yes' response to the data element [Person—biometric identifier used indicator, yes/no code N](#).

DSS specific information:

More than one type of biometric identifier can be recorded.