

Bringing them Home/Link Up Counsellors DSS

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Set Specification

METEOR identifier: 561178

Registration status:

- [Indigenous](#), Superseded 07/12/2017

DSS type: Data Set Specification (DSS)

Scope: The Bringing them Home or Link Up Counselling Program data set specification describes the counselling services funded by the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) to provide counselling to individuals, families and communities affected by past practices regarding the forced removal of children from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families.

The aggregate level collection supports information to be collected at the counsellor and service provider organisation level.

The reporting period is between 1 July 2010 and 30 June 2011.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This DSS is a component of the OATSIH Services Reporting (OSR) DSS 2010-11. The OATSIH Services Reporting (OSR) data set specification (DSS) is used to collect service level information from primary health care, standalone substance use and Bringing Them Home and Link Up counselling service providers that received funding from OATSIH for the period 2010–11.

Bringing them Home (BTH) and Link Up counsellors do not organise reunions but may be asked to participate in reunions.

Implementation start date: 01/07/2010

Implementation end date: 30/06/2011

Comments: Bringing Them Home and Link Up counselling services were developed in response to the Bringing Them Home report of the 1997 National Inquiry into the Separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children from Their Families. Bringing Them Home and Link Up counsellors help individuals, families and communities affected by past practices of the forced removal of children from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families to reunite with their families, culture and community, and to restore their social and emotional wellbeing. The Bringing Them Home Counsellor Program provides counselling and other related services to individuals, families and communities. Link Up services support people in tracing, locating and reuniting with their families.

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2012. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health services report, 2010–11: OATSIH Services Reporting—key results. Cat. no. IHW 79. Canberra: AIHW

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Bringing them Home/Link Up Counsellors DSS](#)

- [Indigenous](#), Superseded 07/12/2017

Has been superseded by [Bringing them Home/Link Up Counsellors DSS](#)

- [Indigenous](#), Standard 07/12/2017

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[OATSIH Services Reporting \(OSR\) DSS 2010-11 Indigenous](#), Superseded 07/12/2017

Implementation start date: 01/07/2010

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Conditional obligation:

The Bringing them Home or Link Up DSS is to be completed by OATSIH-funded services that receive funding for counsellors, etc.

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
1	Service provider organisation—memorandum of understanding indicator, yes/no code N	Mandatory	1
2	Bringing Them Home/Link Up Counsellors employment characteristics cluster	Mandatory	99
3	Bringing Them Home/Link Up Counsellor formal training course details cluster	Mandatory	1
4	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander service staff vacancy cluster	Mandatory	1
5	Bringing them Home/Link Up Counselling Program client numbers cluster	Mandatory	1
6	Bringing Them Home/Link Up Counselling Program client contacts cluster	Mandatory	1
7	Bringing them Home/Link Up Counselling Program activities cluster	Mandatory	1
8	Support for Bringing Them Home/Link Up Counsellors cluster	Mandatory	1
9	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander services group activities cluster	Mandatory	1
10	Service provider organisation—Bringing Them Home Counsellors coverage and outreach, extended text X[X(∞)]	Conditional	1

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