

Person—effective communication indicator, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Effective communication indicator
METEOR identifier:	621350
Registration status:	Disability , Standard 29/02/2016
Definition:	An indicator of whether a person is able to communicate more than just basic needs to unfamiliar people, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—effective communication indicator
Value Domain:	Effective communication indicator code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Effective communication
	2	Little or no effective communication
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 1 Effective communication Ability to communicate more than just basic needs, to unfamiliar people. CODE 2 Little or no effective communication Little or no ability to communicate more than just basic needs, to unfamiliar people. This item is not applicable to young children aged 0–4 years.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person—effective communication indicator, code N Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 27/04/2007
[Disability](#), Superseded 29/02/2016

See also [Person—communication method, code N Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 27/04/2007
[Disability](#), Standard 07/10/2014

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Disability Services NMDS 2015–16](#)
[Disability](#), Superseded 28/09/2016
Implementation start date: 01/07/2015
Implementation end date: 30/06/2016
DSS specific information:

In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—communication method, code N](#)'.

In the DS NMDS, the method of communication along with how effective it is are collected in one question using the following codes:

- 1 Spoken language (effective)
- 2 Sign language (effective)
- 3 Other effective non-spoken communication (e.g. Canon Communicator, Compic)
- 4 Little, or no effective communication
- 5 Child aged under 5 years (not applicable)

If the communication method varies over time and it is difficult to say what the usual method is, please report the most effective method during the reference week.

[Disability Services NMDS 2016–17](#)
[Disability](#), Superseded 15/12/2017
Implementation start date: 01/07/2016
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017
DSS specific information:

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[Disability Services NMDS 2017–18](#)
[Disability](#), Superseded 05/07/2019
Implementation start date: 01/07/2017
Implementation end date: 30/06/2018
DSS specific information:

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[Disability Services NMDS 2018–19](#)

[Disability](#), Standard 05/07/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

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