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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Interpreter service type |
| Synonymous names: | Type of interpreter service |
| METEOR identifier: | 623483 |
| Registration status: | [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 29/02/2016 |
| Definition: | The type of interpreter service required by a person, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—type of interpreter service required](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/623496) |
| Value Domain: | [Spoken language/non-spoken communication code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/323183) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Spoken language other than English |
|  | 2 | Non-spoken communication |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2015. Disability Services National Minimum Data Set: data guide, July 2015. Canberra: AIHW. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—type of interpreter service required, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/323185)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 27/04/2007  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 29/02/2016  See also [Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/639616)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 28/09/2016  See also [Person—interpreter service required, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/623421)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 28/09/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Disability Services NMDS 2015–16](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/617391)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 28/09/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016 ***Conditional obligation:***  In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element must be completed if a response of 'yes' is recorded in response to '[Person—interpreter service required, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/304294)'.  ***DSS specific information:***  In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—interpreter service required, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/304294)'.  In the DS NMDS, the need for interpreter services along with the type of the service required by the [**service user**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/502689) is collected in one question using the following codes:  1   Yes—for spoken language other than English  2   Yes—for non-spoken communication  3   No  9   Not stated  If a person communicated with the assistance of a signer (i.e. not necessarily arranged by the agency/service provider) they should be recorded as code 2 'Yes—for non-spoken communication'.  The data element '[Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/345049)', provides the opportunity to indicate the use of sign language and the level of effective communication of the service user.  [Disability Services NMDS 2016–17](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/637867)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 15/12/2017  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017 ***Conditional obligation:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element must be completed if a response of 'yes' is recorded in response to '[Person—interpreter service required, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/623421)'.  ***DSS specific information:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—interpreter service required, yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/623421)'.  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[Disability Services NMDS 2017–18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/664954)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Superseded 05/07/2019  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018 ***Conditional obligation:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element must be completed if a response of 'yes' is recorded in response to '[Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/639616).'  ***DSS specific information:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/639616)'.  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[Disability Services NMDS 2018–19](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/698074)  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 05/07/2019  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2019 ***Conditional obligation:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element must be completed if a response of 'yes' is recorded in response to '[Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/639616).'  ***DSS specific information:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/639616)'.  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