Person—self-harm indicator



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Person—self-harm indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element Concept

METEOR identifier: 626901

Registration status: Health, Standard 28/04/2016

Definition: An indicator of whether a person has ever deliberately inflicted physical harm upon

themselves.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: Person

Definition: A human being.

Collection and usage attributes

Comments: Prior to 13 March 2018, the definition of the 'Person' Object class was 'A human

being, whether man, woman or child'. From 13 March 2018, the definition was edited by removing the words '...whether man, woman or child' so that a person is defined as 'A human being'. This amendment was undertaken to align the definition of a person with the *Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender* and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) *Standard for Sex and Gender Variables*, which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are

not exclusively male or female.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: Macquarie University 2003. The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed. Sydney: The

Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd

Reference documents: Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the

Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016,

https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/

AustralianGovernmentGuidelines

ontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx

ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables, 2016. ABS Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 26 July

2016, http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/

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Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: Self-harm indicator

Definition: An indicator of the deliberate infliction of harm to one's self such as cutting or

slashing, blunt force, burning, hanging, strangulation, suffocation, biting, refusing

food or water, binge eating or self-poisoning.

Property group: Physical wellbeing

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element concept attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata Supersedes Person—self-harm indicator

references: Community Services (retired), Standard 06/02/2012

Health, Superseded 28/04/2016

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

Person—self-harm indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N

Health, Standard 28/04/2016