

Person—needle sharing frequency, prisoner health frequency code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Needle sharing frequency |
| METEOR identifier: | 631151 |
| Registration status: | Health , Standard 28/04/2016 |
| Definition: | A descriptor of how often a person uses a needle which has already been used by someone else, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | Person—needle sharing frequency |
| Value Domain: | Prisoner health frequency code N |

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
| | Value | Meaning |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Always |
| | 2 | Sometimes |
| | 3 | Never |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Unknown |

Collection and usage attributes

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| Guide for use: | For use in Prisoner health data collections. If this value domain is used with other metadata then 'Unknown' would map to code 8. |
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Source and reference attributes

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| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

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| Guide for use: | Injecting drugs refers to a method of introducing a drug into the body with a hollow needle and a syringe which is pierced through the skin into the body. |
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Source and reference attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person—needle sharing frequency, code N](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 28/04/2016

Has been superseded by [Person—needle sharing frequency, prisoner health frequency code N](#)
[Health](#), Qualified 06/07/2023

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Prison dischargee NBEDS](#)
[Health](#), Standard 28/04/2016

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on a yes response to [Person—injecting drug use indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N](#).

DSS specific information:

During most recent imprisonment.

This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported using a needle that had been used by someone else while in prison.