

# Bringing them Home/Link Up Counsellors DSS

## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Data Set Specification

**METEOR identifier:** 664881

**Registration status:**

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

**DSS type:** Data Set Specification (DSS)

**Scope:** The Bringing them Home/Link Up Counsellors data set specification (DSS) 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.

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** The OATSIH Services Reporting (OSR) data set specification 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 reference period.

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2011

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2012

**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. The Link Up Program aims to assist clients in tracing and wherever possible reuniting with family members, their communities and culture.

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

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

**Reference documents:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2013. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health services report, 2011–12: OATSIH Services Reporting—key results. Cat. no. IHW 104. Canberra: AIHW.

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

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

- [Indigenous](#), Superseded 07/12/2017

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[OATSIH Services Reporting \(OSR\) DSS 2011–12 Indigenous](#), Standard 07/12/2017

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## Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

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