

Service provider organisation—contact worker type, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services worker type code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services contact worker type
METEOR identifier:	665298
Registration status:	Indigenous , Superseded 07/04/2024
Definition:	The type of worker involved in the direct delivery of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services through a service provider organisation, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Service provider organisation—contact worker type
Value Domain:	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services worker type code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
Permissible values:	Value	Meaning
	1	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers (AHW) (excluding workers providing transport)
	2	Doctors (excluding medical specialists)
	3	Nurses
	4	Substance misuse workers
	5	Social and emotional wellbeing staff
	6	Medical specialists and/or other allied health professionals
	7	Dentists and/or dental therapists
	8	Dental support workers
	9	Sexual health workers
	10	Traditional healers
	11	Transport workers who take clients to see health professionals who do not work for the health service
	12	Transport workers who take clients to see health professionals who work for the health service
	99	Other staff members (please specify)

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers (AHW)

An Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health worker (AHW) liaises with patients, clients and visitors to hospitals and health clinics and works as a team member to arrange, coordinate and provide health care delivery in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community health clinics.

CODE 5 Social and emotional wellbeing staff

Includes psychologists, counsellors, social workers, welfare workers and SEWB staff – Link Up caseworkers.

CODE 6 Medical specialists and/or other allied professionals

Medical specialists include paediatricians, endocrinologists, ophthalmologists, obstetrician/ gynaecologists, ear nose and throat specialists, cardiologists, renal medicine specialists, psychiatrists / psychiatric registrars, dermatologists and surgeons. Allied health professionals include audiologists / audiometrists, diabetes educators, dietitians, optometrists, pharmacists, physiotherapists, podiatrists and speech pathologists.

CODE 8 Dental support workers

Includes dental assistants and dental technicians.

CODE 11 Transport workers who take clients to see health professionals who do not work for the health service

Includes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers (AHW) that do not provide health care; they are included in CODE 1. Includes the transportation of clients to see health professionals who do not work for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health service.

CODE 12 Transport workers who take clients to see health professionals who work for the health service

Includes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers (AHW) that do not provide health care; they are included in CODE 1. Includes the transportation of clients to see health professionals who *do* work for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health service.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 2013. ANZSCO Australian Standard Classification of Occupations Version 1.2 Canberra, Australia. Viewed 26 March 2014, <http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/66f306f503e529a5ca25697e0017661f/D26EF50719C9FEC9CA25697E001850FC?opendocument>

Data element attributes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Service provider organisation—contact worker type, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health care code N\[N\] Indigenous](#), Standard 07/04/2024

See also [Service provider organisation—contact worker type, text X\[X\(199\)\] Indigenous](#), Standard 16/09/2014

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service individual client contacts cluster](#)
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