

Adoptive family—special care type, code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Special care type
METEOR identifier:	687835
Registration status:	Children and Families , Standard 20/03/2018
Definition:	The type of resources and/or support services required by the adopted child and/or their adoptive family to foster healthy development and wellbeing, and to support positive family functioning and prevent adoption disruptions, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Adoptive family—special care type
Value Domain:	Special adoptive care type code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Count	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Medical
	2	Allied health
	3	Psychological
	4	Functional
	5	Social
	6	Educational
	7	Respite
	8	Financial
Supplementary values:	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Medical

This category includes specialist appointments not elsewhere classified, hospitalisations, medications, health aids and appliances.

CODE 2 Allied health

This category includes speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, physiotherapy, podiatry, optical, dental, orthodontics, and dietary/nutrition support services.

CODE 3 Psychological

This category includes psychologist, psychiatrist, and counsellor support services.

CODE 4 Functional

This category includes home or vehicle modifications, and assistance (beyond usual age expectations) with dressing, bathing, toileting, feeding or mobility.

CODE 5 Social

This category includes support groups, advocacy, and peer support services.

CODE 6 Educational

This category includes supports in school, including special teachers' assistance.

CODE 7 Respite

This category includes short-term accommodation of the adopted child for the purpose of respite.

CODE 8 Financial

This category includes payments and government benefits.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Adoptions DSS 2016-17](#)
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 12/11/2018
Implementation start date: 01/07/2016
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017
DSS specific information:

This item is still developmental and not part of the annual collection; definitions and parameters could change and will be discussed by the relevant authorities.