frequency alcohol consumption code N
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Person—alcohol consumption frequency, AUDIT frequency alcohol consumption code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Short name: Alcohol consumption frequency

METEOR identifier: 696844

Registration status: Health, Qualified 06/07/2023

Definition: The self-reported frequency of a person's alcohol consumption, as measured by the

Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT).

Data Element Concept: Person—alcohol consumption frequency

Value Domain: AUDIT frequency alcohol consumption code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

ValueMeaningPermissible values:0Never1Monthly or

Monthly or less
 2 2-4 times a month
 3 2-3 times a week
 4 4 or more times a week

Supplementary values: 9 Unknown

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: For use in Prisoner health data collections. If this value domain is to be used with

other metadata then 'Unknown' would map to code 8.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: Babor T, Higgins-Biddle JC, Saunders JB, Monteiro MG 2001. The Alcohol Use

Disorders Identification Test Guidelines for Use in Primary Care. 2nd edn.

Switzerland: World Health Organization.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This data element when used in conjunction with the data elements: Person—

consumption of 6 or more standard drinks on one occasion, AUDIT consuming 6 or more standard drinks code N and Person—alcohol consumption amount, total standard drinks N[N] provides a score on the AUDIT, and a risk of alcohol-related

harm.

Comments: The AUDIT is an alcohol screen that can help identify patients who are hazardous

drinkers or have active alcohol use disorders (including alcohol abuse or

dependence).

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Person—alcohol consumption frequency, AUDIT frequency alcohol

consumption code N

Health, Standard 28/04/2016

See also Person—alcohol consumption amount, total standard drinks N[N]

Health, Qualified 06/07/2023

See also Person—consumption of 6 or more standard drinks on one occasion,

AUDIT consuming 6 or more standard drinks code N

Health, Qualified 06/07/2023

Implementation in Data Set AUDIT score for risky alcohol consumption cluster

Specifications:

Health, Qualified 06/07/2023 DSS specific information:

This data element refers to prison entrants only.

The AUDIT contains the question 'How often do you have a drink containing alcohol?'. The Prisoner Health Information Group amended the question wording for the National Prisoner Health Census to 'Over the last 12 months how often did you have a drink containing alcohol?'

AUDIT-C score of risky alcohol consumption cluster (dischargee)

Health, Qualified 06/07/2023

DSS specific information:

This data element refers to prison dischargees only.

The AUDIT contains the question 'How often do you have a drink containing alcohol?'. The Prisoner Health Information Group amended the guestion wording for the National Prisoner Health Census to 'Prior to your current incarcerations, how often did you have a drink containing alcohol?'