

# Carer household authorisation file cluster

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Set Specification
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	706950
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Children and Families</a> , Standard 20/01/2021
<b>DSS type:</b>	Data Element Cluster
<b>Scope:</b>	<p>The Carer household authorisation file cluster contains information about all carer households who were authorised to provide funded home-based out-of-home-care placements at any point during the reference period. Authorisation means the carer household has received the required approval to have a child placed with them. This includes carer households authorised to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Foster care (including provisionally approved carers)</li><li>• Relative/kinship care (including provisionally approved carers)</li><li>• Respite</li><li>• Long-term guardianship.</li></ul>

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Residential care and family group homes are not included in the scope of carers in the Carer household authorisation file.
<b>Collection methods:</b>	Each change in Carer household authorisation/registration status will be a new line in the file, delineated by an authorisation start and end date. Renewal of an existing authorisation as part of a standard ongoing review process or a change from provisional to full authorisation are not deemed to be a change in authorisation status and should not be recorded on a new line. The original authorisation start date should be retained.

## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<b>Steward:</b>	<a href="#">Australian Institute of Health and Welfare</a>
<b>Origin:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2018. Child protection national minimum data set, data collection manual 2017-18. Canberra: AIHW.

## Relational attributes

<b>Related metadata references:</b>	Supersedes <a href="#">Carer household authorisation file cluster</a> <a href="#">Children and Families</a> , Superseded 20/01/2021
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**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Child protection NMDS 2017-18](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2016  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2018

[Child protection NMDS 2018-19](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 26/05/2021  
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**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2019

[Child protection NMDS 2019–20](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 03/11/2021  
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**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2020

[Child protection NMDS 2020–21](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 11/05/2023  
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[Child protection NMDS 2021–22](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 04/04/2024  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2020  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2022

[Child protection NMDS 2022–23](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Standard 04/04/2024  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2021  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2023

## Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
1	<a href="#">Carer household—household identifier, child protection identifier NX[X(11)]</a>	Mandatory	1
	<p><b>DSS specific information:</b></p> <p>Each carer household has only one identifier (ID). Each ID is only used by one carer household.</p> <p>Each carer household may include one or more authorised carers (i.e. one or more Carer (person) IDs may be recorded under each carer household ID).</p> <p>Note: The carer household ID in the Carer household authorisation file will be a subset of the carer household ID in the Living arrangements file as residential care and family group homes are not included in the scope of carers in the Carer household authorisation file.</p>		
2	<a href="#">Carer household—care authorisation type, code N[N]</a>	Mandatory	1
3	<a href="#">Carer household—care authorisation start date, DDMMYYYY</a>	Mandatory	1
	<p><b>DSS specific information:</b></p> <p>This collection requires a non-standard format for this data item: DD/MM/YYYY.</p>		
4	<a href="#">Carer household—care authorisation end date, DDMMYYYY</a>	Mandatory	1
	<p><b>DSS specific information:</b></p> <p>This collection requires a non-standard format for this data item: DD/MM/YYYY.</p> <p>If it is not applicable to record a date (i.e. the authorisation had not ended by the end of the reference period), please record 01/01/9999.</p>		
5	<a href="#">Carer household—new carer household indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N</a>	Mandatory	1
	<p><b>DSS specific information:</b></p> <p>Code 99 ('Not stated/inadequately described') should be mapped to Code 9.</p>		
6	<a href="#">Carer household—Indigenous status, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N</a>	Mandatory	1
	<p><b>DSS specific information:</b></p> <p>Code 99 ('Not stated/inadequately described') should be mapped to Code 9.</p>		
7	<a href="#">Carer household—authorised carer, total number N[N]</a>	Mandatory	1

