

Client—method of drug use (principal drug of concern), code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Method of use for principal drug of concern
METEOR identifier:	707395
Registration status:	Health , Standard 12/12/2018
Definition:	The client's self-reported usual method of administering the principal drug of concern, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Client—method of drug use (principal drug of concern)
METEOR identifier:	707393
Registration status:	Health , Standard 12/12/2018
Definition:	The client's usual method of administering the principal drug of concern as stated by the client.
Context:	Alcohol and other drug treatment services
Object class:	Client
Property:	Method of drug use

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Method of drug use code N
METEOR identifier:	270699
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 06/02/2012 Health , Standard 01/03/2005
Definition:	A code set representing the method of drug use.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Ingests
	2	Smokes
	3	Injects
	4	Sniffs (powder)
	5	Inhales (vapour)

	6	Other
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes


Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 1
	Refers to eating or drinking as the method of administering the principal drug of concern.
Collection methods:	Collect only for principal drug of concern.
	To be collected on commencement of treatment with a service.
Comments:	Identification of drug use methods is important for minimising specific harms associated with drug use, and is consequently of value for informing treatment approaches.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Intergovernmental Committee on Drugs National Minimum Data Set Working Group
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Supersedes Client—method of drug use (principal drug of concern), code N Community Services (retired) , Standard 06/02/2012 Health , Superseded 12/12/2018
	Is re-engineered from  Method of use for principal drug of concern, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf (14.7 KB) <i>No registration status</i>

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2019–20](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 20/02/2020

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

Conditional obligation:

This metadata item should only be collected for clients whose treatment episode is related to their own alcohol and other drug use.

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2020–21](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

Implementation end date: 30/06/2021

Conditional obligation:

This metadata item should only be collected for clients whose treatment episode is related to their own alcohol and other drug use.

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2021–22](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2021

Implementation end date: 30/06/2022

Conditional obligation:

This metadata item should only be collected for clients whose treatment episode is related to their own alcohol and other drug use.

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 09/12/2022

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

Conditional obligation:

This metadata item should only be collected for clients whose treatment episode is related to their own alcohol and other drug use.

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2023-24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

Conditional obligation:

This metadata item should only be collected for clients whose treatment episode is related to their own alcohol and other drug use.

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2024-25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2024

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

Conditional obligation:

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