

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

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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| 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: | Client—method of drug use (principal drug of concern) |
| Value Domain: | Method of drug use code N |

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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| 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

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| 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

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[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018
Is re-engineered from  [Method of use for principal drug of concern, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.7 KB)
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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[Health](#), Superseded 20/02/2020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:

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[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:

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[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:

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2023–24](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023
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Implementation end date: 30/06/2024
Conditional obligation:

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[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2024–25](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023
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