# Person—length of time being a client, elapsed time code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

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| **Metadata item type:** | Data Element |
| **Short name:** | Length of time being a client |
| **METEOR identifier:** | 745377 |
| **Registration status:** | Health, Standard 10/06/2022 |
| **Definition:** | The length of time a person reports their family member, partner or friend has been a client at a service as represented by a code. |
| **Data Element Concept:** | Person—length of time being a client |
| **Value Domain:** | Elapsed time code N |

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

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| **Representation class:** | Code | |
| **Data type:** | String | |
| **Format:** | N | |
| **Maximum character length:** | 1 | |
| | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| **Permissible values:** | 1 | < 1 month |
| | 2 | 1 to 6 months |
| | 3 | 6 months to 1 year |
| | 4 | 1 to 5 years |
| | 5 | > 5 years |
| **Supplementary values:** | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

### Collection and usage attributes

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| **Guide for use:** | Code 9 includes those answers deemed to be illegible and where the respondent has selected multiple responses for the question. |

### Source and reference attributes

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| **Submitting organisation:** | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

## Data element attributes

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### Relational attributes

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Mental Health Carer Experience of Service NBEDS](#)
[Health](#), Standard 10/06/2022
*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2022
*DSS specific information:*

This relates to question 36 of the Mental Health Carer Experience Survey. The full question is:

36. How long has your family member, partner or friend been a client of this mental health service?

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This relates to question 36 of the Mental Health Carer Experience Survey. The full question is: