rating code N
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Person—presence of behaviour, statement truth rating code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Short name: Presence of behaviour measure

METEOR identifier: 748356

Registration status: Health, Standard 09/12/2022

Definition: A measure of the presence of a specified behaviour performed by a person, as

represented by a code.

 Data Element Concept:
 Person—presence of behaviour

 Value Domain:
 Statement truth rating code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

ValueMeaningPermissible values:0Not true

Somewhat true
 Certainly true

Supplementary values: 7 Unable to rate (insufficient information)

9 Not stated/missing

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This data element may be used to gather data on a range of different behaviours.

The specific behaviour being described should be included in the DSS specific

information of the collection implementing it.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Specifications:

Implementation in Data Set Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire cluster Health, Standard 09/12/2022

DSS specific information:

This data element is collected 25 times, and collects data for mental health assessment, evaluation or screening of persons 4-17 years old.

This data element represents the core Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ) survey questions, which are questions 1-25 and which are used in every version of the questionnaire, and ask if the person is:

- 1. Considerate of other people's feelings
- 2. Restless, overactive, cannot stay still for long
- 3. Often complains of headaches, stomach-aches, or sickness
- 4. Shares readily with other children, for example toys, treats, pencils
- 5. Often loses temper
- 6. Rather solitary, prefers to play alone
- 7. Generally well behaved, usually does what adults request
- 8. Many worries or often seems worried
- 9. Helpful if someone is hurt, upset or feeling ill
- 10. Constantly fidgeting or squirming
- 11. Has at least one good friend
- 12. Often fights with other children or bullies them
- 13. Often unhappy, depressed or tearful
- 14. Generally liked by other children
- 15. Easily distracted, concentration wanders
- 16. Nervous or clingy in new situations, easily loses confidence
- 17. Kind to younger children
- 18. Often lies or cheats
- 19. Picked on or bullied by other children
- 20. Often volunteers to help others (parents, teachers, other children)
- 21. Thinks things out before acting
- 22. Steals from home, school or elsewhere
- 23. Gets along better with adults than with other children
- 24. Many fears, easily scared
- 25. Good attention span, sees chores or homework through to the end