

# Person—needle sharing indicator, yes/no code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Needle sharing
METEOR identifier:	761974
Registration status:	<a href="#">Health</a> , Qualified 06/07/2023
Definition:	An indicator of whether a person has used a needle which had been used by someone else, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	<a href="#">Person—needle sharing indicator</a>
Value Domain:	<a href="#">Yes/no code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	Boolean	
<b>Format:</b>	N	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Yes
	2	No

## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Needle may refer to a hypodermic, tattoo needle, etc.
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## Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Supersedes <a href="#">Person—needle sharing frequency, code N</a> <a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 28/04/2016
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**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Prison dischargee NBEDS 2022](#)

[Health](#), Qualified 06/07/2023

***DSS specific information:***

This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:

23a. While in prison this time, did you get a tattoo or body piercing using a needle or other equipment that had been used by someone else, even if it had been cleaned?

[Substances used illicitly cluster \(prison dischargee\)](#)

[Health](#), Qualified 06/07/2023

***DSS specific information:***

This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:

24f. While in prison this time, did you inject substances using a needle that had been used by someone else, even if it had been cleaned?