sometimes/often/always/unknown code N
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Person—needle sharing frequency, sometimes/often/always/unknown code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Short name: Needle sharing frequency

METEOR identifier: 765799

Registration status: Health, Qualified 06/07/2023

Definition: A descriptor of how often a person uses a needle which has already been used by

someone else, as represented by a code.

Data Element Concept: Person—needle sharing frequency

Value Domain: Sometimes/often/always/unknown code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N
Maximum character length: 1

Value Meaning

Permissible values: 1 Sometimes

2 Often

3 Always

Supplementary values: 9 Unknown

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: For use in Prisoner health data collections. If this value domain is used with other

metadata then 'Unknown' would map to code 8.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

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

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Person—needle sharing frequency, prisoner health frequency code N

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Specifications:

Implementation in Data Set Prison dischargee NBEDS 2022 Health, Qualified 06/07/2023

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on a Code 1 "Yes" response to Person—needle sharing indicator. yes/no code N

DSS specific information:

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

23b. How often did you use a needle that had been used by someone else when getting a tattoo or body piercing?

This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported using a needle that had been used by someone else while in prison.

Substances used illicitly cluster (prison dischargee)

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Conditional obligation:

Conditional on a yes response to Person—needle sharing indicator, yes/no code

DSS specific information:

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

24g. How often did you use a needle that had been used by someone else when injecting substances?