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Child—other type of abuse or neglect, code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Short name: Other type of abuse or neglect (child protection)

Synonymous names: Substantiated other type of abuse (physical); Substantiated other type of abuse

(sexual); Substantiated other type of abuse (emotional); Substantiated other type of

abuse (neglect)

METEOR identifier: 773515

Registration status: Children and Families, Standard 11/05/2023

Definition: Other type of abuse or neglect, other than the primary type, that has caused, or is

likely to cause, injury or harm to a child, as represented by a code.

 Data Element Concept:
 Child—other type of abuse or neglect

 Value Domain:
 Child abuse or neglect type code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N[N]

Maximum character length: 3

Maximum character length: 2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Physical abuse
	2	Sexual abuse
	3	Emotional abuse
	4	Neglect
Supplementary values:	97	Not applicable
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 1 Physical abuse

Any non-accidental physical act inflicted upon a child by a person having the care of

a child.

CODE 2 Sexual abuse

Any act by a person having the care of the child which exposes a child to, or involves a child in, sexual processes beyond his or her understanding or contrary to

accepted community standards.

CODE 3 Emotional abuse

Any act by a person having the care of a child that results in the child suffering any

kind of significant emotional deprivation or trauma.

CODE 4 Neglect

Any serious omissions or commissions by a person having the care of a child which, within the bounds of cultural tradition, constitute a failure to provide

conditions which are essential for the healthy, physical and emotional development

of a child.

Comments: These categories may be used in different ways by different jurisdictions,

> depending on the state or territories' own definitions, policies and practices. In addition, a child subject to abuse and neglect may be subject to more than one type of abuse and neglect (for example, sexual abuse is often also associated with

emotional abuse).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Steward: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This item refers to other types of abuse or neglect, other than the primary type.

Collection methods: Codes 1-4 or 99 'Not stated/ inadequately described' should only be used for

records with a code 1 'Substantiated' for Child protection notification—investigation

status, code N[N]. Code 97 'Not applicable' should be recorded for all other

investigation outcomes.

Record all codes that apply.

Comments: National data do not distinguish between substantiations for actual harm and those

for risk of future harm.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Steward:

Origin: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AlHW) 2013. Child protection national

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

minimum data set, data collection manual 2012-13. Canberra: AlHW.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Child—other type of abuse or neglect, code N[N]

Children and Families, Superseded 11/05/2023 Community Services (retired), Recorded 19/08/2011

See also Child—primary type of abuse or neglect, code N[N]

Children and Families, Standard 22/11/2016 Community Services (retired), Recorded 19/08/2011

Specifications:

Implementation in Data Set Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster Children and Families, Standard 11/05/2023

Conditional obligation:

Only to be used when more than one type of abuse has been identified.

DSS specific information:

Four separate data items are used to collect the other types of abuse identified as part of the substantiation: physical abuse (cell number 15); sexual abuse (cell number 16); emotional abuse (cell number 17); and neglect (cell number 18).

Safety in care (SC) file cluster Children and Families, Standard 11/05/2023 Conditional obligation:

Only to be used when more than one type of abuse has been identified.

DSS specific information:

Four separate data items are used to collect the other types of abuse identified as part of the substantiation: physical abuse (cell number 11); sexual abuse (cell number 12); emotional abuse (cell number 13); and neglect (cell number 14).