

Aged care assessment—source of information, code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Aged care assessment source of information
METEOR identifier:	775236
Registration status:	Aged Care , Standard 30/06/2023
Definition:	The person acting as source from which information relevant to an aged care assessment originated or was obtained, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Aged care assessment—source of information
Value Domain:	Aged care assessment source of information code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Person
	2	Person's carer, family member and/or other
	3	Person's representative
	4	Person's general practitioner
	5	Representative of service provider
	6	Health professional
	7	Aboriginal Liaison Officer
	8	Care finder
	9	Via interpreter
	20	Other
Supplementary values:	97	Not applicable
	98	Unknown/unable to be determined
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Person

This code applies where the person who is the subject of the assessment is the source for or provides the information for the assessment.

CODE 2 Person's carer, family member and/or other

This code applies where the person's primary carer, family member or friend etc who knows the person and provides the answers to the assessment questions.

CODE 3 Person's representative

This code applies where a person delegated to represent the subject of the assessment is the source of the information but is not their carer, family member or other associate (which are to be reported as CODE 2).

CODE 4 Person's general practitioner

This code applies where the person's regular doctor who has assessed the person in a clinical setting and is able to advocate on the person's behalf and/or provide answers to the assessment questions.

CODE 5 Representative of service provider

This code applies when a representative of a service provider provides details on the person for the assessment.

CODE 6 Health professional

This code applies where a health professional, such as a nurse or psychiatrist, provides details for the assessment on the person. General practitioners are to be reported as CODE 4.

CODE 7 Aboriginal liaison officer

This code applies when an Aboriginal Liaison Officer supports the person by providing details required in the assessment.

CODE 8 Care finder

This code applies when a care finder assists the person completing the assessment through support and/or providing information required for the assessment.

CODE 9 Via interpreter

This code applies when the assessment information comes via an interpreter. 'Via interpreter' recognises that an interpreter works with spoken language, often translating and mediating between two languages in both directions.

CODE 20 Other

This code applies when another information source is used to complete the assessment that are not covered in the above.

CODE 97 Not applicable

This code is used where the assessment source of information is not required.

CODE 98 Unknown/unable to be determined

This code is used where the assessor was not able to determine the source of information for the assessment.

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

This code is not to be used on primary collection forms.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health and Aged Care

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The person(s) or entity(ies) information is collected from at the time of assessment. Multiple codes may be reported.

This may include the person, carer, family or health provider.

This applies to both home support and comprehensive assessments.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Health and Aged Care

Origin: [My Aged Care – National Screening and Assessment Form User Guide | Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care](#), viewed 16 February 2023. <https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/my-aged-care-national-screening-and-assessment-form-user-guide?language=en>

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Aged care assessment cluster](#)
[Aged Care](#), Standard 30/06/2023

Conditional obligation:

For the Aged Care NMDS, this data element is conditional on codes 1, 2 or 3 being selected for [Aged care assessment—assessment type, code N\[N\]](#).