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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/19), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/774816) |
| Value Domain: | [Aged care assessment source of information code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775135) |

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| 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 |

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| 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 of 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. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of Health and Aged Care |

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| 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](https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/my-aged-care-national-screening-and-assessment-form-user-guide?language=en), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/777819)  [Aged Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/19), 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]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775224). |