Person—relationship to reference person, perpetrator code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Relationship of perpetrator to victim
METEOR identifier:	784490
Registration status:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, Qualified 17/01/2024
Definition:	The type of relationship between a person identified as a perpetrator and their victim, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—relationship to reference person
Value Domain:	Perpetrator relationship 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	Child
	2	Grandchild
	3	Sibling
	4	Current partner/spouse
	5	Ex-partner/spouse
	6	Other family member
	7	Friend, neighbour or acquaintance
	8	Service provider
	9	A stranger
	88	Other
Supplementary values:	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1   Child

Choose this code when the perpetrator is the child of the victim. Includes sons, daughters and non-binary children. The relationship can be current, former, step, or in-law, or through foster care or adoption.

CODE 2   Grandchild

Choose this code when the perpetrator is the grandchild of the victim. Includes grandsons, granddaughters and non-binary grandchildren. The relationship can be current, former step, or in-law, or through foster care or adoption.

CODE 3   Sibling

Choose this code when the perpetrator is the sibling of the victim. Includes brothers, sisters and non-binary siblings. The relationship can be full, half, step, or in-law, or through foster care or adoption.

CODE 4   Current partner/spouse

Choose this code when the perpetrator is the current partner or spouse of the victim. Includes married or de-facto relationships and intimate partner relationships where not living together.

CODE 5   Former partner/spouse

Choose this code when the perpetrator is the former partner or spouse of the victim. Includes former married or de-facto relationships and former intimate partner relationships where not living together.

CODE 6   Other family member

Choose this code when the perpetrator is a family member of the victim, not listed above. Includes aunts, uncles, cousins or extended cousins. The relationship can be full, half or step, or through adoption. It also includes members of Indigenous communities who are accepted as being related to the person, or part of their kinship networks.

CODE 7   Friend/neighbour/acquaintance

Choose this code when the perpetrator is an unrelated person or acquaintance who is known to, or lives in close proximity to, the victim or their family.

CODE 8   Service provider

Choose this code when the perpetrator is a service provider to the victim. Includes a person or organisation providing paid medical, financial, welfare, legal, housing, care or other services to the victim. Includes where an organisation's policy is harming a person (for example, a policy in an aged care facility).

Excludes where services are being provided to someone other than victim (such as a tradesperson providing services to a neighbour). Does not include informal carers. Informal carers should be recorded according to their familial or other relationship to the person.

CODE 9   A stranger

Choose this code when the perpetrator is a person who is unknown to the victim, such as a stranger or online scammer.

CODE 88   Other

Choose this code for all other persons or organisations not classified above (for example, ministers of religion, employees or employers, tenants, or government agencies and instrumentalities not classified above).

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Choose this code when the information is not stated or otherwise inadequately described (eg. when a response has not been recorded.) Includes where someone does not wish to identify the perpetrator.

Comments:	In this element a 'perpetrator' may also include an alleged perpetrator, and a 'victim' may include a person who is the subject of concern relating to an alleged wrongdoing.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

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Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	National elder abuse helpline DSS Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, Qualified 17/01/2024 ***DSS specific information:*** In the National elder abuse helpline DSS this data element should be recorded for each helpline contact and each case. This data element records the relationship of the alleged perpetrator to the older person who is the subject of concern. Where multiple alleged perpetrators are involved, it should be recorded for each alleged perpetrator.