

Service event—living arrangement type, at time of abuse code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Living arrangement type at time of abuse
METEOR identifier:	789345
Registration status:	Children and Families , Standard 04/04/2024
Definition:	The type of living arrangement a person under the care of a department responsible for child protection resided in at the time of an abuse, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Service event—living arrangement type
Value Domain:	Living arrangement type at time of abuse code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
Permissible values:	Value	Meaning
	1	Residential care
	3	Relative(s)/kin who are reimbursed
	4	Foster care
	77	Other supported living arrangements
Supplementary values:	88	Other living arrangements
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:**CODE 1 Residential care**

Where the placement is in a residential building whose purpose is to provide placements for children and where there are paid staff.

CODE 3 Relative(s)/kin who are reimbursed

Where the caregiver is a relative (other than parents), considered to be family or a close friend, or is a member of the child or young person's community (in accordance with their culture) who is reimbursed (or who has been offered but declined reimbursement) by the state/territory for the care of the child. For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, a kinship carer may be another Indigenous person who is a member of their community, a compatible community or from the same language group.

CODE 4 Foster care

Where the caregiver is authorised and reimbursed (or was offered but declined reimbursement) by the state/territory for the care of the child and supported by an approved agency. There are varying degrees of reimbursement made to foster carers.

CODE 77 Other supported living arrangement

Includes any supported care arrangements not listed above including family group homes, other home-based care, living with parents or other non-out-of-home care placement

CODE 88 Other living arrangement

Includes living arrangements that do not fit into the above categories. Includes where the type of living arrangement is known, but is not an approved/supported living arrangement e.g. children self-placing.

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Is used when the care arrangement in which a child lives is not recorded or is unknown.

Comments:

Codes 2, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 are intentionally not included.

Source and reference attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Service event—living arrangement type, child under care code N\[N\] Children and Families](#), Standard 03/11/2021

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Child protection DSS 2022–23](#)
[Children and Families](#), Standard 04/04/2024

Implementation start date: 01/07/2021

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

DSS specific information:

In the Child Protection DSS this data element is collected with the [Safety in care \(SC\) file cluster](#).

The data element collects the type of living arrangement the child was in at the time of the abuse.