

Service event—assessment date, DDMMYYYY

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Assessment date
METEOR identifier:	269943
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 01/03/2005 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015
Definition:	The date(s) on which the agency undertook an assessment of the client(s) need for assistance, appropriateness of service provision and/or circumstances.
Data Element Concept:	Service event—assessment date
Value Domain:	Date DDMMYYYY

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Date
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	DDMMYYYY
Maximum character length:	8

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item should always be recorded as an 8-digit valid date comprising day, month and year. Year should always be recorded in its full 4-digit format. For days and months with a numeric value of less than 10, zeros should be used to ensure that the date contains the required 8 digits. For example, if a person was last assessed by an agency on 1 July 2000 the Assessment date should be recorded as 01072000 as specified in the representational layout.

Collection methods: When an agency undertakes an assessment of client needs and the adequacy and appropriateness of service provision, the agency should also record or update information about the client's circumstances. While agency practice tends to differ, most clients undergo some form of assessment process when they first become involved with the agency. This process may vary from a relatively simple assessment of eligibility or need for assistance to a comprehensive functional assessment of the person's ability to undertake tasks of daily living. Agency practice related to the timing and process for re-assessing clients also varies. Although the extent and nature of assessment processes vary depending on the type of assistance provided by the agency, this process does serve as a primary point of data capture/update about the client.

HACC have this metadata item as being derived from Date of assistance received and Primary type of assistance received (where 'assessment' is coded).


Comments: If records have been linked, the last assessment date is a key piece of information that facilitates analysis by providing a clearly defined basis for the selection of data (i.e. the most recently recorded information) where conflicting values are recorded in the linked file.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is re-engineered from  [Assessment date, version 1, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (16.4 KB)
No registration status

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Disability and need for assistance cluster](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 10/04/2013
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015