

Person (address)—address type, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Address type (person)
METEOR identifier:	286728
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Superseded 06/02/2012 Health! , Superseded 05/10/2016
Definition:	A code set representing a type of address, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person (address)—address type
Value Domain:	Address type code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Business
	2	Mailing or postal
	3	Residential
	4	Temporary residential
Supplementary values:	9	Unknown/Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 1 Business
	This code is used to indicate an address that is the physical location of a business, an office or from where a service is delivered.
	CODE 2 Mailing or postal
	This code is used to indicate an address that is only for correspondence purposes.
	CODE 3 Residential
	This code is used to indicate where a person is living. Note that this code is not valid for organisations.
	CODE 4 Temporary residential
	Temporary accommodation address (such as for a person from rural Australia who is visiting an oncology centre for a course of treatment, or a person who usually resides overseas). Note that this is not valid for organisations.
	CODE 9 Unknown/Not stated/inadequately described
	This code may also be used where the person has no fixed address or does not wish to have their residential or a correspondence address recorded.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

- Guide for use:** A single address may have multiple address types associated with it. Record as many as required.
- Collection methods:** At least one address must be recorded (this may be an unknown Address type). Health care establishments should always attempt to collect the residential address of a person who is a health care client when a service is provided. When recording the address for a health care provider or organisation, the business address should always be collected. In addition, other addresses may also need to be recorded for individuals and organisations.
- Overseas address:
For individuals record the overseas address as the residential address and record a temporary accommodation address as their contact address in Australia.
- Comments:** 'No fixed address' is coded as unknown because it (the concept) is not a type of address for a person but is an attribute of the person only i.e. it is not a location for which an address may be derived. It is not recommended that an implementation collects this attribute as an address type. A person not having a fixed address constrains the number of address types that can be collected i.e. temporary accommodation and residential address types cannot be collected. However, if it is imperative that this occurs, it is suggested that code 9 be used.

Source and reference attributes

- Submitting organisation:** Standards Australia
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
- Origin:** AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney: Standards Australia
- Reference documents:** AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney: Standards Australia
In AS4846 and AS5017 alternative alphabetic codes are presented. Refer to the current standard for more details.

Relational attributes

- Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Person \(address\)—address type, code A Health!](#), Superseded 04/05/2005
- Has been superseded by [Address—purpose of address, code AA\[A\] Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015
[Health!](#), Standard 05/10/2016
- Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Health care client identification DSS Health!](#), Superseded 03/12/2008
- [Health care client identification DSS Health!](#), Retired 20/03/2013
- [Health care provider identification DSS Health!](#), Superseded 04/07/2007
- [Health care provider identification DSS Health!](#), Superseded 03/12/2008
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