Person—individualised disability funding indicator, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Individualised disability funding indicator
Synonymous names:	Individualised disability funding status
METEOR identifier:	473762
Registration status:	Community Services (retired), Standard 10/04/2013 Disability, Standard 13/08/2015
Definition:	Whether a person is the recipient of an individualised funding package for provision of their disability service, as represented by a code.
Context:	Individualised funding is one of a range of ways to effect a person-centred approach. A person centred approach requires the flexible use of resources to achieve what is important to the person. It requires services to work, adjust and provide to the person what they want in life, rather than the person being expected to fit into an existing service.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Person—individualised disability funding indicator
METEOR identifier:	473759
Registration status:	Community Services (retired), Standard 10/04/2013 Disability, Standard 13/08/2015
Definition:	A person who is the recipient of an individualised funding package for the provision of their disability service.
Object class:	Person
Property:	Individualised disability funding indicator

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Yes/no/unknown/not stated/inadequately described code N
METEOR identifier:	306322
Registration status:	Community Services (retired), Standard 27/04/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012 Indigenous, Standard 11/08/2014 Disability, Standard 13/08/2015
Definition:	A code set representing 'yes', 'no', 'unknown' and 'not stated/inadequately described'.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code		
Data type:	Number		
Format:	N		
Maximum character length:	1		
		Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:		1	Yes
		2	No
Supplementary values:		3	Unknown
		9	Not stated/inadequately described

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Individualised funding packages are a portable package of funds allocated for or tied to a particular person that facilitates control and choice over how the person meets their disability support needs.

The way individual funding is organised can vary in relation to who holds the funds, which parts are portable and what disability supports can be purchased from which parts of the market, that is, from approved service providers or the open market.

There is wide variation in individualised funding models; however, common characteristics include:

- allocation of an individual budget based on assessed need
- development of a personal plan specifying goals and needs
- portability and choice in how funds are spent.

Funds can be held by the person or their family, a facilitator/intermediary or service providers.

Individualised funding packages are also known as:

- Individual Support Packages
- Programs with individualised support
- Individualised support arrangements
- Self-directed funding
- Self-managed funding.

Individualised funding packages do not include:

- block funding
- funding that is allocated to an individual for a one-off purchase .

Each jurisdiction has its own policies, programs and approaches for individualised funding—all with subtle differences in terminology and approach.

In general, differences between jurisdictions refer to differences in:

- who holds and manages the funding
- who directs how the funding is to be used
- which parts of the funding are portable
- which disability support types it can be spent on from which parts of the market.

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Effectiveness of individual funding approaches for disability support, 2010, Occasional paper no. 29, Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Strategic Direction paper: Supporting Mechanisms for Individualised Funding in the Disability Sector, 2011, Disability Policy and Research Working Group

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Disability services client details cluster](#)
[Community Services (retired)](#), Standard 10/04/2013
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015