# Sex code A



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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Value Domain

METEOR identifier: 602447

Registration status: Commonwealth Department of Health, Standard 14/10/2015

**Definition:** A code set representing the biological distinction between male, female, and

intersex or indeterminate.

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: A

Maximum character length: 1

Value Meaning

Permissible values: M Male

F Female

Intersex or indeterminate

**Supplementary values:** N Not stated/inadequately described

U Unknown blank Unknown

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Diagnosis and procedure codes should be checked against the national ICD-10-

AM sex edits, unless the person is undergoing, or has undergone a sex change or has a genetic condition resulting in a conflict between sex and ICD-10-AM code.

CODE I Intersex or indeterminate

This code refers to a person who, because of a genetic condition, was born with reproductive organs or sex chromosomes that are not exclusively male or female or

whose sex has not yet been determined for whatever reason.

The use of 'Intersex or indeterminate' should be confirmed if reported for people

aged 90 days or greater.

**Comments:** The definition for Intersex in the 'Guide for use' section above is sourced from the

ACT Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act 2003.

#### Source and reference attributes

**Origin:** Australian Capital Territory 2003. *Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender)* 

Amendment Act 2003.

Reference documents: Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act 2003. See

http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2003-14/20030328-4969/pdf/2003-14.pdf.

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also Sex code N

Children and Families, Standard 22/11/2016

Community Services (retired), Standard 01/03/2005

Disability, Standard 07/10/2014

Early Childhood, Superseded 24/07/2018

Health!, Superseded 11/05/2017 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006

Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012

Indigenous, Superseded 16/10/2017

National Health Performance Authority (retired), Retired 01/07/2016

Data elements implementing this value domain:

Person—sex, code A

Commonwealth Department of Health, Standard 14/10/2015