# Person—single name only flag, code A



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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

**Short name:** Single name only flag

**Synonymous names:** Single name only indicator

METEOR identifier: 618588

**Registration status:** Health!, Standard 05/10/2016

**Definition:** An indicator of whether a person's name has only one component, as represented

by a code.

 Data Element Concept:
 Person—single name only flag

 Value Domain:
 Single name only flag code A

## Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: A

Maximum character length: 1

Value Meaning

Permissible values: S Single name

M Multiple names

# Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: If an individual has only one name, that name should be entered into the 'Family

name' field and this flag recorded as 'S'.

This flag allows computer systems to accurately determine whether given name is

missing or is never intended to be entered.

**Comments:** If given name is blank when registration occurs, it should be confirmed whether the

person has only one name component.

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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# **Relational attributes**

Related metadata See also Person—family name, text X[X(39)]

references: Health!, Standard 05/10/2016

Tasmanian Health, Standard 27/06/2017

Implementation in Data Set Individual name cluster

**Specifications:** <u>Health!</u>, Standard 05/10/2016

DSS specific information:

If given name is blank when registration occurs, this field should be asked.