Person—interpreter service required, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Interpreter service required |
| Synonymous names: | Need for interpreter service |
| METEOR identifier: | 623421 |
| Registration status: | [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 28/09/2016 |
| Definition: | Whether an interpreter service is required by or for the person, as represented by a code. |

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| Data element concept attributes |
| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Data element concept: | [Person—interpreter service required](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/304292) |
| METEOR identifier: | 304292 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 08/02/2006[Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 10/04/2006[WA Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/5), Standard 19/03/2015[Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 28/09/2016[Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 27/04/2021 |
| Definition: | Whether an interpreter service is required by or for the person. |
| Context: | To assist in planning for provision of interpreter services. |
| Object class: | [Person](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/268955) |
| Property: | [Interpreter service required status](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/269289) |

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| Value domain attributes  |
| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Value domain: | [Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/301747) |
| METEOR identifier: | 301747 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 21/09/2005[Housing assistance](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Standard 10/02/2006[Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 14/02/2006[Early Childhood](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 21/05/2010[Homelessness](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 23/08/2010[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 01/11/2012[Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 07/10/2014[Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 13/03/2015[Children and Families](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 22/11/2016 |
| Definition: | A code set representing 'yes', 'no' and 'not stated/inadequately described'. |

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

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | CODE 9    Not stated/inadequately describedThis code is not for use in primary data collections. |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | Includes verbal language, non-verbal language and languages other than English.CODE 1  YesUse this code where interpreter services are required.CODE 2  NoUse this code where interpreter services are not required.Persons requiring interpreter services for any form of sign language or other forms of non-verbal communication should be coded as Yes, interpreter service required. |
| Collection methods: | Recommended question:Do you [does the person] require an interpreter?YesNo |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—interpreter service required, yes/no code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/304294)[Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 10/04/2006[Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 29/02/2016[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 08/02/2006[Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 27/04/2021Has been superseded by [Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/639616)[Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 28/09/2016See also [Person—type of interpreter service required, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/323185)[Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 27/04/2007[Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 29/02/2016See also [Person—type of interpreter service required, spoken language/non-spoken communication code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/623483)[Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 29/02/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Disability Services NMDS 2015–16](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/617391)[Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 28/09/2016***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016***DSS specific information:*** In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—type of interpreter service required, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/323185)'.In the DS NMDS, the need for interpreter services, along with the type of the service required by the [**service user**](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/502689), is collected in one question using the following codes:1   Yes—for spoken language other than English2   Yes—for non-spoken communication3   No9   Not statedIf a person communicates with the assistance of a signer (i.e. not necessarily arranged by your agency) they should be recorded as 2 'Yes – for non-spoken communication’.The data element '[Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345093)', provides the opportunity to indicate the use of sign language and the level of effective communication of the service user. |