

Person—type of interpreter service required, spoken language/non-spoken communication code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Interpreter service type
Synonymous names:	Type of interpreter service
METEOR identifier:	623483
Registration status:	Disability , Standard 29/02/2016
Definition:	The type of interpreter service required by a person, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—type of interpreter service required
Value Domain:	Spoken language/non-spoken communication code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Spoken language other than English
	2	Non-spoken communication
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2015. Disability Services National Minimum Data Set: data guide, July 2015. Canberra: AIHW.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Supersedes Person—type of interpreter service required, code N Community Services (retired) , Standard 27/04/2007 Disability , Superseded 29/02/2016
	See also Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N Disability , Standard 28/09/2016
	See also Person—interpreter service required, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N Disability , Superseded 28/09/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Disability Services NMDS 2015–16](#)

[Disability](#), Superseded 28/09/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015

Implementation end date: 30/06/2016

Conditional obligation:

In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element must be completed if a response of 'yes' is recorded in response to '[Person—interpreter service required, yes/no code N](#)'.

DSS specific information:

In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—interpreter service required, yes/no code N](#)'.

In the DS NMDS, the need for interpreter services along with the type of the service required by the [service user](#) is collected in one question using the following codes:

- 1 Yes—for spoken language other than English
- 2 Yes—for non-spoken communication
- 3 No
- 9 Not stated

If a person communicated with the assistance of a signer (i.e. not necessarily arranged by the agency/service provider) they should be recorded as code 2 'Yes—for non-spoken communication'.

The data element '[Person—communication method, code N](#)', provides the opportunity to indicate the use of sign language and the level of effective communication of the service user.

[Disability Services NMDS 2016–17](#)

[Disability](#), Superseded 15/12/2017

Implementation start date: 01/07/2016

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

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[Disability Services NMDS 2017–18](#)

[Disability](#), Superseded 05/07/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2017

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

Conditional obligation:

In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element must be completed if a response of 'yes' is recorded in response to '[Person—interpreter service required indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N.](#)'

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[Disability Services NMDS 2018–19](#)

[Disability](#), Standard 05/07/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

Conditional obligation:

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