

Prison dischargée—needle and syringe exchange program access prior to imprisonment indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Needle and syringe exchange program access
METEOR identifier:	624798
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 28/04/2016
Definition:	An indicator of whether a prison dischargée had access to a needle and syringe exchange program prior to the most recent imprisonment, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Prison dischargée—needle and syringe exchange program access prior to imprisonment indicator
Value Domain:	Prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N

Value domain attributes

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	Unknown

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	For use in Prisoner health data collections. If this value domain is used with other metadata then 'Unknown' would map to code 8.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Data element attributes

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Guide for use:	Needle and syringe programs refer to programs which provide safe injecting equipment (including needle and syringes, swabs, vials of sterile water and sharps bins), education and information on reducing drug use and referrals to drug treatment.
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Prison dischargee—needle and syringe exchange program access prior to imprisonment indicator, yes/no code N](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 28/04/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Prison dischargee NBEDS](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 28/04/2016

DSS specific information:

For the most recent imprisonment.

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[Prison dischargee NBEDS](#)
[Health!](#), Recorded 31/05/2018

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