

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services individual client contacts cluster

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Set Specification

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Registration status: [Indigenous](#), Standard 07/12/2017

DSS type: Data Element Cluster

Scope: The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services individual client contacts cluster is used to describe the number of individual client contacts made by each type of worker from an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service that received funding from the Australian Government through the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH).

The data elements are used together to provide a count of the number of client contacts by type of worker by the sex of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health services clients.

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| | Male | Female | Total |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers (AHW) excluding transport without health care provision | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Doctors | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Nurses | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Substance misuse workers | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Social and emotional wellbeing staff (please specify) | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Medical specialists/other allied health professionals (please specify) | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Dentists/dental therapists | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Dental support workers (e.g. dental assistants, dental technicians) | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Sexual health workers | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Traditional healers | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| Transport workers (e.g. AHW/field officer/driver contacts) | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| - taking clients to see health professionals who DO NOT work for this service | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |
| - taking clients to see health professionals who DO work for this service | | | |
| Contacts with other staff members (please specify) | N[NNN] | N[NNN] | N[NNN] |

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

A health-care contact occurs when a health professional sees an individual client or provides advice over the phone. A transport contact occurs when a client is given transport by the service to see either a health professional working for the service, or another health professional.

Includes:

- staff and visiting health professionals
- contacts involving direct provision of health care, including but not limited to, for sickness, injury, counselling, health education and screening
- all contacts involving transport (Note: where an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander worker (AHW) provides transport and health care as part of the one contact, this is counted as an AHW contact. Where an AHW provides transport only in the one contact, this is counted as a transport worker contact)

Excludes:

- contacts with groups
- residential care
- administration contacts with clients e.g. receptionist making appointments for clients

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services DSS Indigenous](#), Superseded 07/12/2017
Implementation start date: 01/06/2008
Implementation end date: 30/07/2009

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

| Seq No. | Metadata item | Obligation | Max occurs |
|---------|--|-------------|------------|
| - | Person—sex, code N | Mandatory | 2 |
| | <i>DSS specific information:</i> | | |
| | This data element is used to determine the sex of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service's clients. | | |
| - | Service provider organisation—contact worker type, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services worker type code N[N] | Mandatory | 13 |
| - | Service provider organisation—contact worker type, text X[X(199)] | Conditional | 99 |
| | <i>Conditional obligation:</i> | | |
| | This data element is used to collect further information about social and emotional wellbeing staff; medical specialists and allied health professionals; and other staff within the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services. | | |
| - | Service provider organisation—number of service contacts, total N[NNNNN] | Mandatory | 99 |
| | <i>DSS specific information:</i> | | |
| | This data element is used to collect the number of individual client contacts made by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service workers. | | |