

Referral—formal referral source, homelessness code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Formal referral source
METEOR identifier:	695957
Registration status:	Homelessness , Standard 10/08/2018
Definition:	The person, entity or agency responsible for the formal referral of a client to an agency, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Referral—referral source
Value Domain:	Source of referral homelessness code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Specialist Homelessness Agency/outreach worker
	2	Telephone/crisis referral agency
	3	Centrelink or employment service case worker
	4	Child protection agency
	5	Family and child support agency
	6	Hospital
	7	Mental health service
	8	Disability support service
	9	Drug and alcohol service
	10	Aged care service
	11	Social housing
	12	Youth or juvenile justice correctional centre
	13	Adult correctional facility
	14	Legal unit (including legal aid)
	15	School/other education institution
	16	Police
	17	Courts
	18	Immigration department or asylum seeker/refugee support service
	19	Other agency (government or non-government)
	20	Family and/or friends
	21	Other

	22	Family and domestic violence service (non SHS)
	23	Don't know
Supplementary values:	88	No formal referral
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>Only formal referrals are collected in this data element. The list of sources of referrals in the classification or value domain are regarded as formal referrals.</p> <p>A formal referral is any form of verbal or written contact with the person, group or organisation from which the client could be referred.</p>
Collection methods:	<p>The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question:</p> <p>'From the referral list below please select one that represents the source of formal referral for this client.'</p>

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	<p>Supersedes Referral—formal referral source, homelessness code N N N N N Homelessness, Superseded 10/08/2018 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010</p>
Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	<p>Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2019-Homelessness, Standard 10/08/2018</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS) NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>In the SHS NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.</p> <p>This collection records a response of Don't Know (Code 99), which is equivalent to the code Don't know (Code 23) in the Standard.</p> <p>The collection also records a response of No formal referral (Code 88).</p>