

# Person—needle sharing frequency, prisoner health frequency code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Needle sharing frequency
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	696801
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Qualified 30/05/2018
<b>Definition:</b>	A descriptor of how often a person uses a needle which has already been used by someone else, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Person—needle sharing frequency</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Prisoner health frequency code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1

	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Never
	2	Sometimes
	3	Always
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	9	Unknown

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	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

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Injecting drugs refers to a method of introducing a drug into the body with a hollow needle and a syringe which is pierced through the skin into the body.
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### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Supersedes [Person—needle sharing frequency, prisoner health frequency code N Health!](#), Standard 28/04/2016

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

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

***Conditional obligation:***

Conditional on a yes response to [Person—injecting drug use indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.](#)

***DSS specific information:***

During most recent imprisonment.

This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported using a needle that had been used by someone else while in prison.