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# **1. Reporting arrangements**

## **1.1. Reporting data**

PHNs and their service providers are able to either export data from their client systems and upload to the PMHC MDS or enter data manually via the data entry interface.

The system is able to accept data for any period in which the provider organisation is active, either in its entirety or partially. Please note the section below regarding timeliness.

Accepting data for any period allows organisations to upload corrections when erroneous data has been identified. Allowing partial uploads allows for submission of data by separate providers without the need for the PHN to aggregate all data prior to upload.

Where associated unique keys match (e.g. Patient Key or Episode Key) these records will be replaced, if the key is new, a new record will be created.

Data may be uploaded in either Excel or CSV format.

## **1.2. Reporting timeliness**

Records must be reported to the MDS within 31 days of the activity which generated them. For example if a client was added to the system on the 12th of November 2016 their client record must be added to the MDS on or before the 13th of December 2016. Similarly, if a service contact occurred on that date, the data associated with that contact must be submitted to the MDS by 13th of December 2016 also.

The Department accesses information within the MDS for internal planning and governance purposes therefore data in the MDS needs to be current to ensure the accuracy of the data produced for the Department.

## **1.3. Support arrangements**

Support is available to PHNs and their third party developers to assist with implementing upload facilities in existing client management systems. For those PHNs who do not upload via a client management system, documentation and support is available to manually enter data via a web data entry interface.

## 2. Identifier management

PMHC MDS keys are case sensitive and must have between 2- 50 valid unicode characters. Where data is being exported from client systems, these keys can be auto generated, providing that a key does not change once it is assigned.

### 2.1. Managing Provider Organisation Keys

Provider Organisations will be created and managed by Primary Health Networks (PHNs) through a user interface. Each PHN must create their own Provider Organisations before any data can be uploaded. Each Provider Organisation will need to be assigned a unique key. It is the responsibility of the PHN to assign and manage these keys.

### 2.2. Managing Client Keys

Client records will be created and managed by Provider Organisations via the upload and data entry interface. Each Client record needs to be assigned a unique key in order to facilitate adding/updating/deleting each item when uploading data. Once assigned, this key cannot change.

The [Client Key](#) will be managed by the Provider Organisation, however, the PHN may decide to play a role in coordinating assignment and management of these client keys.

Initially the Department wanted these keys to be unique across the PHN in order to ensure that there is a single key for a client within the PHN, and will continue to be investigate options for the PMHC MDS implementation of a Master Client Index during [Stage Two](#) of development.

### 2.3. Managing Practitioner, Episode and Service Contact Keys

The [Practitioner Key](#), [Episode Key](#), [Service Contact Key](#) will be created and managed by Provider Organisations.

The PMHC MDS specification requires each of these keys to be unique and stable at the Provider Organisation level.

Each record needs to be assigned a unique key in order to facilitate adding/updating/deleting each item when uploading/entering data. These keys will be created and managed by the Provider Organisation.

### 2.4. Managing Outcome Collection Occasion Keys

The [Outcome Collection Occasion Key](#) will be created and managed by Provider Organisations.

The PMHC MDS specification requires each of these keys to be unique and stable at the Provider Organisation level. Collection Occasion keys are allowed to be duplicated if different measures are collected on the same day for the same reason and episode. You cannot have the same collection occasion key for different collection occasions with the same measure.

This requirement has been implemented to allow a future version of the specification to separate outcome collection occasions and measures so that multiple measures can be associated with the one collection occasion.

Each record needs to be assigned a unique key in order to facilitate adding/updating/deleting each item when uploading/entering data. These keys will be created and managed by the Provider Organisation.

*If you still have questions after reading this information, please visit the Department's responses to [Questions about Unique Identifiers and 'Keys'](#)*

# 3. Data model and specifications

## 3.1. Data model



Fig. 3.1 PMHC data model

Note: [PMHC Collection Occasion data model](#) for more details about Collection Occasion records.

Key	
PK	Primary Key
FK	Foreign Key
+ — ○ +	One to zero or one
+ — ○ ×	One to zero or more

K10+ Measure	
FK	Organisation Path
FK	Episode Key
PK	Collection Occasion Key
	K10+ - Question 1
	K10+ - Question 2
	K10+ - Question 3
	K10+ - Question 3
	K10+ - Question 4
	K10+ - Question 5
	K10+ - Question 6
	K10+ - Question 7
	K10+ - Question 8
	K10+ - Question 9
	K10+ - Question 10
	K10+ - Question 11
	K10+ - Question 12
	K10+ - Question 13
	K10+ - Question 14
	K10+ - Score
	K10+ - Tags

Collection Occasion	
FK	Organisation Path
FK	Episode Key
PK	Collection Occasion Key
	Collection Occasion - Measure Date
	Collection Occasion - Reason
	Collection Occasion - Tags

K5 Measure	
FK	Organisation Path
FK	Episode Key
PK	Collection Occasion Key
	K5 - Question 1
	K5 - Question 2
	K5 - Question 3
	K5 - Question 3
	K5 - Question 4
	K5 - Question 5
	K5 - Score
	K5 - Tags

SDQ Measure	
FK	Organisation Path

## ***Fig. 3.2 PMHC Collection Occasion data model***

**Note:** See [PMHC data model](#) for more details about how Collection Occasion records fit into the overall structure.

### **3.2. Key concepts**

#### **3.2.1. Primary Health Network**

Primary Health Networks (PHNs) have been established by the Australian Government with the key objectives of increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of medical services for patients, particularly those at risk of poor health outcomes, and improving coordination of care to ensure patients receive the right care in the right place at the right time.

#### **3.2.2. Provider Organisation**

The Provider Organisation is the business entity that the PHN has commissioned to provide the service.

See [Provider Organisation](#) for the data elements for a provider organisation.

#### **3.2.3. Practitioner**

The Practitioner is the person who is delivering the service.

See [Practitioner](#) for the data elements for a practitioner.

#### **3.2.4. Client**

The Client is the person who is receiving the service.

See [Client](#) for the data elements for a client.

#### **3.2.5. Episode**

For the purposes of the PMHC MDS, an *Episode of Care* is defined as a more or less continuous period of contact between a client and a PHN-commissioned provider organisation/clinician that starts at the point of first contact, and concludes at discharge. Episodes comprise a series of one or more Service Contacts. This structure allows for a logical data collection protocol that specifies what data are collected when, and by whom. Different sets of PMHC MDS items are collected at various points in the client's engagement with the provider organisation. Some items are only collected once at the episode level, while others are collected at each *Service Contact*.

Three business rules apply to how the *Episode of Care* concept is implemented across PHN-commissioned services:

- **One episode at a time for each client, defined at the level of the provider organisation**



While an individual may have multiple *Episodes of Care* over the course of their illness, they may be considered as being in only one episode at any given point of time for **any particular PHN-commissioned provider organisation**. The implication is that the care provided by the organisation to an individual client at any point in time is subject to only one set of reporting requirements.

- **Episodes commence at the point of first contact.** The episode start date will be derived from the first service contact regardless of no show state as long as there is a service contact that isn't a no show. Therefore, if there is no attended service contact the episode is uncommenced.

Some examples:

- If a service contact occurs on the 1/1/2018 that is recorded as a no show then the episode is uncommenced.
  - If a service contact occurs on the 1/1/2018 that is recorded as a no show and another service contact occurs on the 2/1/2018 that is attended then the episode start date is derived as 1/1/2018.
- **Discharge from care concludes the episode**

Discharge may occur clinically or administratively in instances where contact has been lost with the client. A new episode is deemed to commence if the person re-presents to the organisation.

See [Episode](#) for the data elements for a episode.

### 3.2.6. Service Contact

- Service contacts are defined as the provision of a service by a PHN commissioned mental health service provider for a client where the nature of the service would normally warrant a dated entry in the clinical record of the client.
- A service contact must involve at least two persons, one of whom must be a mental health service provider.
- Service contacts can be either with the client or with a third party, such as a carer or family member, and/or other professional or mental health worker, or other service provider.
- Service contacts are not restricted to face-to-face communication but can include telephone, internet, video link or other forms of direct communication.
- Service provision is only regarded as a service contact if it is relevant to the clinical condition of the client. This means that it does not include services of an administrative nature (e.g. telephone contact to schedule an appointment).

Definition based on METeOR: [493304](#) with modification.

#### 3.2.6.1. Attended Service Contact

An attended service contact is one that is not marked as 'No show'.

See [Service Contact](#) for the data elements for a service contact.

### 3.2.7. Outcome Collection Occasion

A Collection Occasion is defined as an occasion during an Episode of Care when the required outcome measure is to be collected. At a minimum, collection of outcome data is required at both Episode Start and Episode End, but may be more frequent if clinically indicated and agreed by the client.

Measures will be the Kessler Psychological Distress Scale K10+ (in the case of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients, the K5) as well as the Strengths & Difficulties Questionnaires.

See [Outcome Collection Occasion](#) for the data elements for an outcome collection occasion.

### 3.3. Record formats

#### 3.3.1. Metadata

The Metadata table must be included in file uploads in order to identify the type and version of the uploaded data.

Table 3.1 Metadata record layout

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Key</a> (key)	string	yes	A metadata key name.
<a href="#">Value</a> (value)	string	yes	The metadata value.

For this version of the specification the required content is shown in the following table:

key	value
type	PMHC
version	2

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#### 3.3.2. Provider Organisation

See [Provider Organisation](#) for the definition of a provider organisation.

Provider Organisation data is for administrative use within the PMHC MDS system. It is managed by the PHN's via the PMHC MDS administrative interface, it cannot be uploaded.

Table 3.2 Provider Organisation record layout

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Organisation Path (organisation_path)	string	yes	A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.
Organisation Key (organisation_key)	string (2,50)	yes	A sequence of characters which uniquely identifies the provider organisation to the Primary Health Network. Assigned by the Primary Health Network.
Provider Organisation - Name (organisation_name)	string (2,100)	yes	The name of the provider organisation.
Provider Organisation - Legal Name (organisation_legal_name)	string	—	The legal name of the provider organisation.
Provider Organisation - ABN (organisation_abn)	string (11)	yes	The Australian Business Number of the provider organisation.

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Provider Organisation - Type (organisation_type)	string	yes	<div>1: Private Allied Health Professional Practice</div> <div>2: Private Psychiatry Practice</div> <div>3: General Medical Practice</div> <div>4: Private Hospital</div> <div>5: Headspace Centre</div> <div>6: Early Youth Psychosis Centre</div> <div>7: Community-managed Community Support Organisation</div> <div>8: Aboriginal Health/ Medical Service</div> <div>9: State/ Territory Health Service Organisation</div> <div>10: Drug and/or Alcohol Service</div> <div>11: Primary Health Network</div> <div>12: Medicare Local</div> <div>13: Division of General Practice</div> <div>98: Other</div> <div>99: Missing</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Provider Organisation - State</a> (organisation_state)  METeOR: <a href="#">613718</a>	string	yes	1: New South Wales 2: Victoria 3: Queensland 4: South Australia 5: Western Australia 6: Tasmania 7: Northern Territory 8: Australian Capital Territory 9: Other Territories
<a href="#">Provider Organisation - Start Date</a> (organisation_start_date)	date	yes	The date on which a provider organisation started delivering services.
<a href="#">Provider Organisation - End Date</a> (organisation_end_date)	date	yes	The date on which a provider organisation stopped delivering services.
<a href="#">Provider Organisation - Tags</a> (organisation_tags)	string	—	List of tags for the provider organisation.

### 3.3.3. Practitioner

See [Practitioner](#) for the definition of a practitioner.

Practitioner data is intended to provide workforce planning data for use regionally by the PHN and nationally by the Department. It is managed by the provider organisations via either the PMHC MDS administrative interface or upload.

*Table 3.3 Practitioner record layout*

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Organisation Path</a> (organisation_path)	string	yes	A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Practitioner Key (practitioner_key)	string (2,50)	yes	A unique identifier for a practitioner within the responsible provider organisation. Assigned by either the PHN or Provider Organisation depending on local procedures.
Practitioner - Category (practitioner_category)	string	yes	<div>1: Clinical Psychologist</div> <div>2: General Psychologist</div> <div>3: Social Worker</div> <div>4: Occupational Therapist</div> <div>5: Mental Health Nurse</div> <div>6: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health/ Mental Health Worker</div> <div>7: Low Intensity Mental Health Worker</div> <div>8: General Practitioner</div> <div>9: Psychiatrist</div> <div>10: Other Medical</div> <div>11: Other</div> <div>12: Psychosocial Support Worker</div> <div>13: Peer Support Worker</div> <div>99: Not stated</div>
Practitioner - ATSI Cultural Training (atsi_cultural_training)	string	yes	<div>1: Yes</div> <div>2: No</div> <div>3: Not required</div> <div>9: Missing / Not recorded</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Practitioner - Year of Birth</a> (practitioner_year_of_birth)	gYear	yes	gYear
<a href="#">Practitioner - Gender</a> (practitioner_gender)  <a href="#">ABS</a>	string	yes	0: Not stated/ Inadequately described  1: Male  2: Female  3: Other
<a href="#">Practitioner - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status</a> (practitioner_atsi_status)  METeOR: <a href="#">291036</a>	string	yes	1: Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin  2: Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin  3: Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin  4: Neither Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin  9: Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Practitioner - Active</a> (practitioner_active)	string	yes	0: Inactive  1: Active
<a href="#">Practitioner - Tags</a> (practitioner_tags)	string	—	List of tags for the practitioner.

### 3.3.4. Client

See [Client](#) for definition of a client.

Clients are managed by the provider organisations via upload.

Table 3.4 Client record layout

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Organisation Path</a> (organisation_path)	string	yes	A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.
<a href="#">Client Key</a> (client_key)	string (2,50)	yes	This is a number or code assigned to each individual client referred to the commissioned organisation. The client identifier must be unique and stable for each individual within the Provider Organisation. Assigned by either the PHN or Provider Organisation depending on local procedures.
<a href="#">Client - Statistical Linkage Key</a> (slk)  METeOR: <a href="#">349510</a>	string (14,40)	yes	A key that enables two or more records belonging to the same individual to be brought together.
<a href="#">Client - Date of Birth</a> (date_of_birth)  METeOR: <a href="#">287007</a>	date	yes	The date on which an individual was born.
<a href="#">Client - Estimated Date of Birth Flag</a> (est_date_of_birth)	string	yes	<p>1: Date of birth is accurate</p> <p>2: Date of birth is an estimate</p> <p>8: Date of birth is a 'dummy' date (ie, 09099999)</p> <p>9: Accuracy of stated date of birth is not known</p>
<a href="#">Client - Gender</a> (client_gender)  <a href="#">ABS</a>	string	yes	<p>0: Not stated/ Inadequately described</p> <p>1: Male</p> <p>2: Female</p> <p>3: Other</p>



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<p>Client - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status (client_atssi_status)</p> <p>METeOR: <a href="#">291036</a></p>	string	yes	<p>1: Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin</p> <p>2: Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin</p> <p>3: Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin</p> <p>4: Neither Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin</p> <p>9: Not stated/ inadequately described</p>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<p>Client - Country of Birth (country_of_birth)</p> <p>METeOR: <a href="#">459973</a></p> <p>ABS</p>	string (4)	yes	1101: Australia
			1102: Norfolk Island
			1199: Australian External Territories, nec
			1201: New Zealand
			1301: New Caledonia
			1302: Papua New Guinea
			1303: Solomon Islands
			1304: Vanuatu
			1401: Guam
			1402: Kiribati
			1403: Marshall Islands
			1404: Micronesia, Federated States of
			1405: Nauru
			1406: Northern Mariana Islands
			1407: Palau
			1501: Cook Islands
			1502: Fiji
			1503: French Polynesia
			1504: Niue
			1505: Samoa
			1506: Samoa, American
			1507: Tokelau
			1508: Tonga
			1511: Tuvalu
			1512: Wallis and Futuna
			1513: Pitcairn Islands
			1599: Polynesia (excludes Hawaii), nec
			1601: Adelie Land (France)

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			1602: Argentinean Antarctic Territory
			1603: Australian Antarctic Territory
			1604: British Antarctic Territory
			1605: Chilean Antarctic Territory
			1606: Queen Maud Land (Norway)
			1607: Ross Dependency (New Zealand)
			2102: England
			2103: Isle of Man
			2104: Northern Ireland
			2105: Scotland
			2106: Wales
			2107: Guernsey
			2108: Jersey
			2201: Ireland
			2301: Austria
			2302: Belgium
			2303: France
			2304: Germany
			2305: Liechtenstein
			2306: Luxembourg
			2307: Monaco
			2308: Netherlands
			2311: Switzerland
			2401: Denmark
			2402: Faroe Islands
			2403: Finland
			2404: Greenland
			2405: Iceland
			2406: Norway
			2407: Sweden

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			2408: Aland Islands
			3101: Andorra
			3102: Gibraltar
			3103: Holy See
			3104: Italy
			3105: Malta
			3106: Portugal
			3107: San Marino
			3108: Spain
			3201: Albania
			3202: Bosnia and Herzegovina
			3203: Bulgaria
			3204: Croatia
			3205: Cyprus
			3206: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
			3207: Greece
			3208: Moldova
			3211: Romania
			3212: Slovenia
			3214: Montenegro
			3215: Serbia
			3216: Kosovo
			3301: Belarus
			3302: Czech Republic
			3303: Estonia
			3304: Hungary
			3305: Latvia
			3306: Lithuania
			3307: Poland
			3308: Russian Federation
			3311: Slovakia

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			<div>3312:</div> <div>Ukraine</div>
			<div>4101:</div> <div>Algeria</div>
			<div>4102:</div> <div>Egypt</div>
			<div>4103:</div> <div>Libya</div>
			<div>4104:</div> <div>Morocco</div>
			<div>4105:</div> <div>Sudan</div>
			<div>4106:</div> <div>Tunisia</div>
			<div>4107:</div> <div>Western Sahara</div>
			<div>4108:</div> <div>Spanish North Africa</div>
			<div>4111:</div> <div>South Sudan</div>
			<div>4201:</div> <div>Bahrain</div>
			<div>4202:</div> <div>Gaza Strip and West Bank</div>
			<div>4203:</div> <div>Iran</div>
			<div>4204:</div> <div>Iraq</div>
			<div>4205:</div> <div>Israel</div>
			<div>4206:</div> <div>Jordan</div>
			<div>4207:</div> <div>Kuwait</div>
			<div>4208:</div> <div>Lebanon</div>
			<div>4211:</div> <div>Oman</div>
			<div>4212:</div> <div>Qatar</div>
			<div>4213:</div> <div>Saudi Arabia</div>
			<div>4214:</div> <div>Syria</div>
			<div>4215:</div> <div>Turkey</div>
			<div>4216:</div> <div>United Arab Emirates</div>
			<div>4217:</div> <div>Yemen</div>
			<div>5101:</div> <div>Myanmar</div>
			<div>5102:</div> <div>Cambodia</div>
			<div>5103:</div> <div>Laos</div>
			<div>5104:</div> <div>Thailand</div>
			<div>5105:</div> <div>Vietnam</div>
			<div>5201:</div> <div>Brunei Darussalam</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			5202: Indonesia
			5203: Malaysia
			5204: Philippines
			5205: Singapore
			5206: Timor-Leste
			6101: China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)
			6102: Hong Kong (SAR of China)
			6103: Macau (SAR of China)
			6104: Mongolia
			6105: Taiwan
			6201: Japan
			6202: Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)
			6203: Korea, Republic of (South)
			7101: Bangladesh
			7102: Bhutan
			7103: India
			7104: Maldives
			7105: Nepal
			7106: Pakistan
			7107: Sri Lanka
			7201: Afghanistan
			7202: Armenia
			7203: Azerbaijan
			7204: Georgia
			7205: Kazakhstan
			7206: Kyrgyzstan
			7207: Tajikistan
			7208: Turkmenistan
			7211: Uzbekistan
			8101: Bermuda

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8102: Canada
			8103: St Pierre and Miquelon
			8104: United States of America
			8201: Argentina
			8202: Bolivia
			8203: Brazil
			8204: Chile
			8205: Colombia
			8206: Ecuador
			8207: Falkland Islands
			8208: French Guiana
			8211: Guyana
			8212: Paraguay
			8213: Peru
			8214: Suriname
			8215: Uruguay
			8216: Venezuela
			8299: South America, nec
			8301: Belize
			8302: Costa Rica
			8303: El Salvador
			8304: Guatemala
			8305: Honduras
			8306: Mexico
			8307: Nicaragua
			8308: Panama
			8401: Anguilla
			8402: Antigua and Barbuda
			8403: Aruba
			8404: Bahamas
			8405: Barbados

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8406: Cayman Islands
			8407: Cuba
			8408: Dominica
			8411: Dominican Republic
			8412: Grenada
			8413: Guadeloupe
			8414: Haiti
			8415: Jamaica
			8416: Martinique
			8417: Montserrat
			8421: Puerto Rico
			8422: St Kitts and Nevis
			8423: St Lucia
			8424: St Vincent and the Grenadines
			8425: Trinidad and Tobago
			8426: Turks and Caicos Islands
			8427: Virgin Islands, British
			8428: Virgin Islands, United States
			8431: St Barthelemy
			8432: St Martin (French part)
			8433: Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba
			8434: Curacao
			8435: Sint Maarten (Dutch part)
			9101: Benin
			9102: Burkina Faso
			9103: Cameroon
			9104: Cabo Verde
			9105: Central African Republic



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			9106: Chad
			9107: Congo, Republic of
			9108: Congo, Democratic Republic of
			9111: Cote d'Ivoire
			9112: Equatorial Guinea
			9113: Gabon
			9114: Gambia
			9115: Ghana
			9116: Guinea
			9117: Guinea-Bissau
			9118: Liberia
			9121: Mali
			9122: Mauritania
			9123: Niger
			9124: Nigeria
			9125: Sao Tome and Principe
			9126: Senegal
			9127: Sierra Leone
			9128: Togo
			9201: Angola
			9202: Botswana
			9203: Burundi
			9204: Comoros
			9205: Djibouti
			9206: Eritrea
			9207: Ethiopia
			9208: Kenya
			9211: Lesotho
			9212: Madagascar
			9213: Malawi
			9214: Mauritius

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			9215: Mayotte
			9216: Mozambique
			9217: Namibia
			9218: Reunion
			9221: Rwanda
			9222: St Helena
			9223: Seychelles
			9224: Somalia
			9225: South Africa
			9226: Swaziland
			9227: Tanzania
			9228: Uganda
			9231: Zambia
			9232: Zimbabwe
			9299: Southern and East Africa, nec
			9999: Unknown

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<p>Client - Main Language Spoken at Home (main_lang_at_home)</p> <p>METeOR: <a href="#">460125</a></p> <p>ABS</p>	string (4)	yes	<p>1101: Gaelic (Scotland)</p> <p>1102: Irish</p> <p>1103: Welsh</p> <p>1199: Celtic, nec</p> <p>1201: English</p> <p>1301: German</p> <p>1302: Letzeburgish</p> <p>1303: Yiddish</p> <p>1401: Dutch</p> <p>1402: Frisian</p> <p>1403: Afrikaans</p> <p>1501: Danish</p> <p>1502: Icelandic</p> <p>1503: Norwegian</p> <p>1504: Swedish</p> <p>1599: Scandinavian, nec</p> <p>1601: Estonian</p> <p>1602: Finnish</p> <p>1699: Finnish and Related Languages, nec</p> <p>2101: French</p> <p>2201: Greek</p> <p>2301: Catalan</p> <p>2302: Portuguese</p> <p>2303: Spanish</p> <p>2399: Iberian Romance, nec</p> <p>2401: Italian</p> <p>2501: Maltese</p> <p>2901: Basque</p> <p>2902: Latin</p> <p>2999: Other Southern European Languages, nec</p> <p>3101: Latvian</p>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			3102: Lithuanian
			3301: Hungarian
			3401: Belorussian
			3402: Russian
			3403: Ukrainian
			3501: Bosnian
			3502: Bulgarian
			3503: Croatian
			3504: Macedonian
			3505: Serbian
			3506: Slovene
			3507: Serbo-Croatian/ Yugoslavian, so described
			3601: Czech
			3602: Polish
			3603: Slovak
			3604: Czechoslovakian, so described
			3901: Albanian
			3903: Aromunian (Macedo- Romanian)
			3904: Romanian
			3905: Romany
			3999: Other Eastern European Languages, nec
			4101: Kurdish
			4102: Pashto
			4104: Balochi
			4105: Dari
			4106: Persian (excluding Dari)
			4107: Hazaraghi
			4199: Iranic, nec
			4202: Arabic

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			4204: Hebrew
			4206: Assyrian Neo-Aramaic
			4207: Chaldean Neo-Aramaic
			4208: Mandaean (Mandaic)
			4299: Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec
			4301: Turkish
			4302: Azeri
			4303: Tatar
			4304: Turkmen
			4305: Uyгур
			4306: Uzbek
			4399: Turkic, nec
			4901: Armenian
			4902: Georgian
			4999: Other Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nec
			5101: Kannada
			5102: Malayalam
			5103: Tamil
			5104: Telugu
			5105: Tulu
			5199: Dravidian, nec
			5201: Bengali
			5202: Gujarati
			5203: Hindi
			5204: Konkani
			5205: Marathi
			5206: Nepali
			5207: Punjabi
			5208: Sindhi
			5211: Sinhalese

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			5212: Urdu
			5213: Assamese
			5214: Dhivehi
			5215: Kashmiri
			5216: Oriya
			5217: Fijian Hindustani
			5299: Indo-Aryan, nec
			5999: Other Southern Asian Languages
			6101: Burmese
			6102: Chin Haka
			6103: Karen
			6104: Rohingya
			6105: Zomi
			6199: Burmese and Related Languages, nec
			6201: Hmong
			6299: Hmong-Mien, nec
			6301: Khmer
			6302: Vietnamese
			6303: Mon
			6399: Mon-Khmer, nec
			6401: Lao
			6402: Thai
			6499: Tai, nec
			6501: Bisaya
			6502: Cebuano
			6503: Ilokano
			6504: Indonesian
			6505: Malay
			6507: Tetum
			6508: Timorese
			6511: Tagalog
			6512: Filipino

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			6513: Acehnese
			6514: Balinese
			6515: Bikol
			6516: Iban
			6517: Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)
			6518: Javanese
			6521: Pampangan
			6599: Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec
			6999: Other Southeast Asian Languages
			7101: Cantonese
			7102: Hakka
			7104: Mandarin
			7106: Wu
			7107: Min Nan
			7199: Chinese, nec
			7201: Japanese
			7301: Korean
			7901: Tibetan
			7902: Mongolian
			7999: Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec
			8101: Anindilyakwa
			8111: Maung
			8113: Ngan'gikurunggurr
			8114: Nunggubuyu
			8115: Rembarrnga
			8117: Tiwi
			8121: Alawa
			8122: Dalabon
			8123: Gudanji
			8127: Iwaidja

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8128: Jaminjung
			8131: Jawoyn
			8132: Jingulu
			8133: Kunbarlang
			8136: Larrakiya
			8137: Malak Malak
			8138: Mangarrayi
			8141: Maringarr
			8142: Marra
			8143: Marriithiyel
			8144: Matngala
			8146: Murrinh Patha
			8147: Na-kara
			8148: Ndjebbana (Gunavidji)
			8151: Ngalakgan
			8152: Ngaliwurru
			8153: Nungali
			8154: Wambaya
			8155: Wardaman
			8156: Amurdak
			8157: Garrwa
			8158: Kuwema
			8161: Marramaninyshi
			8162: Ngandi
			8163: Waanyi
			8164: Wagiman
			8165: Yanyuwa
			8166: Marridan (Maridan)
			8171: Gundjeihmi
			8172: Kune
			8173: Kuninjku
			8174: Kunwinjku



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8175: Mayali
			8179: Kunwinjkuan, nec
			8181: Burarra
			8182: Gun-nartpa
			8183: Gurr-goni
			8189: Burarran, nec
			8199: Arnhem Land and Daly River Region Languages, nec
			8211: Galpu
			8212: Golumala
			8213: Wangurri
			8219: Dhangu, nec
			8221: Dhalwangu
			8222: Djarrwark
			8229: Dhay'yi, nec
			8231: Djambarrpuyngu
			8232: Djapu
			8233: Daatiwuy
			8234: Marrangu
			8235: Liyagalawumirr
			8236: Liyagawumirr
			8239: Dhuwal, nec
			8242: Gumatj
			8243: Gupapuyngu
			8244: Guyamirrili
			8246: Manggalili
			8247: Wubulkarra
			8249: Dhuwala, nec
			8251: Wurlaki
			8259: Djinang, nec
			8261: Ganalbingu
			8262: Djinba
			8263: Manyjalpingu

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8269: Djinba, nec
			8271: Ritharrngu
			8272: Wagilak
			8279: Yakuy, nec
			8281: Nhangu
			8282: Yan-nhangu
			8289: Nhangu, nec
			8291: Dhuwaya
			8292: Djangu
			8293: Madarrpa
			8294: Warramiri
			8295: Rirratjingu
			8299: Other Yolngu Matha, nec
			8301: Kuku Yalanji
			8302: Guugu Yimidhirr
			8303: Kuuku-Ya'u
			8304: Wik Mungkan
			8305: Djabugay
			8306: Dyirbal
			8307: Girramay
			8308: Koko-Bera
			8311: Kuuk Thayorre
			8312: Lamalama
			8313: Yidiny
			8314: Wik Ngathan
			8315: Alngith
			8316: Kugu Muminh
			8317: Morrobalama
			8318: Thaynakwith
			8321: Yupangathi
			8322: Tjungundji
			8399: Cape York Peninsula Languages, nec

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8401: Kalaw Kawaw Ya/ Kalaw Lagaw Ya
			8402: Meriam Mir
			8403: Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)
			8504: Bilinarra
			8505: Gurindji
			8506: Gurindji Kriol
			8507: Jaru
			8508: Light Warlpiri
			8511: Malngin
			8512: Mudburra
			8514: Ngardi
			8515: Ngarinyman
			8516: Walmajarra
			8517: Wanyjirra
			8518: Warlmanpa
			8521: Warlpiri
			8522: Warumungu
			8599: Northern Desert Fringe Area Languages, nec
			8603: Alyawarr
			8606: Kaytetye
			8607: Antekerrepenh
			8611: Central Anmatyerr
			8612: Eastern Anmatyerr
			8619: Anmatyerr, nec
			8621: Eastern Arrernte
			8622: Western Arrarnta
			8629: Arrernte, nec
			8699: Arandic, nec
			8703: Antikarinya
			8704: Kartujarra
			8705: Kukatha

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8706: Kukatja
			8707: Luritja
			8708: Manyjilyjarra
			8711: Martu Wangka
			8712: Ngaanyatjarra
			8713: Pintupi
			8714: Pitjantjatjara
			8715: Wangkajunga
			8716: Wangkatha
			8717: Warnman
			8718: Yankunytjatjara
			8721: Yulparija
			8722: Tjupany
			8799: Western Desert Languages, nec
			8801: Bardi
			8802: Bunuba
			8803: Gooniyandi
			8804: Miriwoong
			8805: Ngarinyin
			8806: Nyikina
			8807: Worla
			8808: Worrorra
			8811: Wunambal
			8812: Yawuru
			8813: Gambera
			8814: Jawi
			8815: Kija
			8899: Kimberley Area Languages, nec
			8901: Adnymathanha
			8902: Arabana
			8903: Bandjalang
			8904: Banyjima

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8905: Batjala
			8906: Bidjara
			8907: Dhanggatti
			8908: Diyari
			8911: Gamilaraay
			8913: Garuwali
			8914: Githabul
			8915: Gumbaynggir
			8916: Kanai
			8917: Karajarri
			8918: Kariyarra
			8921: Kurna
			8922: Kayardild
			8924: Kriol
			8925: Lardil
			8926: Mangala
			8927: Muruwari
			8928: Narungga
			8931: Ngarluma
			8932: Ngarrindjeri
			8933: Nyamal
			8934: Nyangumarta
			8935: Nyungar
			8936: Paakantyi
			8937: Palyku/Nyiyaparli
			8938: Wajarri
			8941: Wiradjuri
			8943: Yindjibarndi
			8944: Yinhawangka
			8945: Yorta Yorta
			8946: Baanbay
			8947: Badimaya
			8948: Barababaraba

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			8951: Dadi Dadi
			8952: Dharawal
			8953: Djabwurrung
			8954: Gudjal
			8955: Keerray-Woorroong
			8956: Ladji Ladji
			8957: Mirning
			8958: Ngatjumaya
			8961: Waluwarra
			8962: Wangkangurru
			8963: Wargamay
			8964: Wergaia
			8965: Yugambeh
			8998: Aboriginal English, so described
			8999: Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec
			9101: American Languages
			9201: Acholi
			9203: Akan
			9205: Mauritian Creole
			9206: Oromo
			9207: Shona
			9208: Somali
			9211: Swahili
			9212: Yoruba
			9213: Zulu
			9214: Amharic
			9215: Bemba
			9216: Dinka
			9217: Ewe
			9218: Ga
			9221: Harari

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			9222: Hausa
			9223: Igbo
			9224: Kikuyu
			9225: Krio
			9226: Luganda
			9227: Luo
			9228: Ndebele
			9231: Nuer
			9232: Nyanja (Chichewa)
			9233: Shilluk
			9234: Tigre
			9235: Tigrinya
			9236: Tswana
			9237: Xhosa
			9238: Seychelles Creole
			9241: Anuak
			9242: Bari
			9243: Bassa
			9244: Dan (Gio-Dan)
			9245: Fulfulde
			9246: Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)
			9247: Kirundi (Rundi)
			9248: Kpelle
			9251: Krah
			9252: Liberian (Liberian English)
			9253: Loma (Lorma)
			9254: Lumun (Kuku Lumun)
			9255: Madi
			9256: Mandinka
			9257: Mann
			9258: Moro (Nuba Moro)

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			9261: Themne
			9262: Lingala
			9299: African Languages, nec
			9301: Fijian
			9302: Gilbertese
			9303: Maori (Cook Island)
			9304: Maori (New Zealand)
			9306: Nauruan
			9307: Niue
			9308: Samoan
			9311: Tongan
			9312: Rotuman
			9313: Tokelauan
			9314: Tuvaluan
			9315: Yapese
			9399: Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec
			9402: Bislama
			9403: Hawaiian English
			9404: Norf'k-Pitcairn
			9405: Solomon Islands Pijin
			9499: Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec
			9502: Kiwai
			9503: Motu (HiriMotu)
			9504: Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)
			9599: Papua New Guinea Languages, nec
			9601: Invented Languages
			9701: Auslan
			9702: Key Word Sign Australia



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			<b>9799:</b> Sign Languages, nec  <b>9999:</b> Unknown
<a href="#">Client - Proficiency in Spoken English</a> (prof_english)  METeOR: <a href="#">270203</a>	string	yes	<b>0:</b> Not applicable (persons under 5 years of age or who speak only English)  <b>1:</b> Very well  <b>2:</b> Well  <b>3:</b> Not well  <b>4:</b> Not at all  <b>9:</b> Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Client - Tags</a> (client_tags)	string	—	List of tags for the client.

### 3.3.5. Episode

See [Episode](#) for definition of an episode.

Episodes are managed by the provider organisations via upload.

*Table 3.5 Episode record layout*

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Organisation Path</a> (organisation_path)	string	yes	A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.
<a href="#">Episode Key</a> (episode_key)	string (2,50)	yes	This is a number or code assigned to each episode. The Episode Key is unique and stable for each episode at the level of the Provider Organisation.
<a href="#">Client Key</a> (client_key)	string (2,50)	yes	This is a number or code assigned to each individual client referred to the commissioned organisation. The client identifier is unique and stable for each individual within the Provider Organisation.

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Episode - End Date</a> (episode_end_date)  METeOR: <a href="#">614094</a>	date	—	The date on which an <i>Episode of Care</i> is formally or administratively ended
<a href="#">Episode - Client Consent to Anonymised Data</a> (client_consent)	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No
<a href="#">Episode - Completion Status</a> (episode_completion_status)	string	—	0: Episode open 1: Episode closed - treatment concluded 2: Episode closed administratively - client could not be contacted 3: Episode closed administratively - client declined further contact 4: Episode closed administratively - client moved out of area 5: Episode closed administratively - client referred elsewhere 6: Episode closed administratively - other reason
<a href="#">Episode - Referral Date</a> (referral_date)	date	—	The date the referrer made the referral.

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Episode - Principal Focus of Treatment Plan</a> (principal_focus)	string	yes	1: Psychological therapy 2: Low intensity psychological intervention 3: Clinical care coordination 4: Complex care package 5: Child and youth-specific mental health services 6: Indigenous-specific mental health services 7: Other 8: Psychosocial Support
<a href="#">Episode - GP Mental Health Treatment Plan Flag</a> (mental_health_treatment_plan)	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No 3: Unknown 9: Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Episode - Homelessness Flag</a> (homelessness)	string	yes	1: Sleeping rough or in non-conventional accommodation 2: Short-term or emergency accommodation 3: Not homeless 9: Not stated / Missing
<a href="#">Episode - Area of usual residence, postcode</a> (client_postcode)  METeOR: <a href="#">429894</a>	string	yes	The Australian postcode of the client.

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Episode - Labour Force Status</a> (labour_force_status)  METeOR: <a href="#">621450</a>	string	yes	1: Employed 2: Unemployed 3: Not in the Labour Force 9: Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Episode - Employment Participation</a> (employment_participation)  METeOR: <a href="#">269950</a>	string	yes	1: Full-time 2: Part-time 3: Not applicable - not in the labour force 9: Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Episode - Source of Cash Income</a> (income_source)  METeOR: <a href="#">386449</a>	string	yes	0: N/A - Client aged less than 16 years 1: Disability Support Pension 2: Other pension or benefit (not superannuation) 3: Paid employment 4: Compensation payments 5: Other (e.g. superannuation, investments etc.) 6: Nil income 7: Not known 9: Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Episode - Health Care Card</a> (health_care_card)  METeOR: <a href="#">605149</a>	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No 3: Not Known 9: Not stated

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Episode - NDIS Participant</a> (ndis_participant)	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No 9: Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Episode - Marital Status</a> (marital_status)  METeOR: <a href="#">291045</a>	string	yes	1: Never married 2: Widowed 3: Divorced 4: Separated 5: Married (registered and de facto) 6: Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Episode - Suicide Referral Flag</a> (suicide_referral_flag)	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No 9: Unknown

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Episode - Principal Diagnosis (principal_diagnosis)	string	yes	100: Anxiety disorders (ATAPS)
			101: Panic disorder
			102: Agoraphobia
			103: Social phobia
			104: Generalised anxiety disorder
			105: Obsessive-compulsive disorder
			106: Post-traumatic stress disorder
			107: Acute stress disorder
			108: Other anxiety disorder
			200: Affective (Mood) disorders (ATAPS)
			201: Major depressive disorder
			202: Dysthymia
			203: Depressive disorder NOS
			204: Bipolar disorder
			205: Cyclothymic disorder
			206: Other affective disorder
			300: Substance use disorders (ATAPS)
			301: Alcohol harmful use
			302: Alcohol dependence
			303: Other drug harmful use
			304: Other drug dependence

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			305: Other substance use disorder
			400: Psychotic disorders (ATAPS)
			401: Schizophrenia
			402: Schizoaffective disorder
			403: Brief psychotic disorder
			404: Other psychotic disorder
			501: Separation anxiety disorder
			502: Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
			503: Conduct disorder
			504: Oppositional defiant disorder
			505: Pervasive developmental disorder
			506: Other disorder of childhood and adolescence
			601: Adjustment disorder
			602: Eating disorder
			603: Somatoform disorder
			604: Personality disorder
			605: Other mental disorder
			901: Anxiety symptoms
			902: Depressive symptoms

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			903: Mixed anxiety and depressive symptoms
			904: Stress related
			905: Other
			999: Missing



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Episode - Additional Diagnosis (additional_diagnosis)	string	yes	000: No additional diagnosis
			100: Anxiety disorders (ATAPS)
			101: Panic disorder
			102: Agoraphobia
			103: Social phobia
			104: Generalised anxiety disorder
			105: Obsessive-compulsive disorder
			106: Post-traumatic stress disorder
			107: Acute stress disorder
			108: Other anxiety disorder
			200: Affective (Mood) disorders (ATAPS)
			201: Major depressive disorder
			202: Dysthymia
			203: Depressive disorder NOS
			204: Bipolar disorder
			205: Cyclothymic disorder
			206: Other affective disorder
			300: Substance use disorders (ATAPS)
			301: Alcohol harmful use
			302: Alcohol dependence
			303: Other drug harmful use

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			304: Other drug dependence
			305: Other substance use disorder
			400: Psychotic disorders (ATAPS)
			401: Schizophrenia
			402: Schizoaffective disorder
			403: Brief psychotic disorder
			404: Other psychotic disorder
			501: Separation anxiety disorder
			502: Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
			503: Conduct disorder
			504: Oppositional defiant disorder
			505: Pervasive developmental disorder
			506: Other disorder of childhood and adolescence
			601: Adjustment disorder
			602: Eating disorder
			603: Somatoform disorder
			604: Personality disorder
			605: Other mental disorder
			901: Anxiety symptoms
			902: Depressive symptoms

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
			<div>903: Mixed anxiety and depressive symptoms</div> <div>904: Stress related</div> <div>905: Other</div> <div>999: Missing</div>
Episode - Medication - Antipsychotics (N05A) (medication_antipsychotics)	string	yes	<div>1: Yes</div> <div>2: No</div> <div>9: Unknown</div>
Episode - Medication - Anxiolytics (N05B) (medication_anxiolytics)	string	yes	<div>1: Yes</div> <div>2: No</div> <div>9: Unknown</div>
Episode - Medication - Hypnotics and sedatives (N05C) (medication_hypnotics)	string	yes	<div>1: Yes</div> <div>2: No</div> <div>9: Unknown</div>
Episode - Medication - Antidepressants (N06A) (medication_antidepressants)	string	yes	<div>1: Yes</div> <div>2: No</div> <div>9: Unknown</div>
Episode - Medication - Psychostimulants and nootropics (N06B) (medication_psychostimulants)	string	yes	<div>1: Yes</div> <div>2: No</div> <div>9: Unknown</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Episode - Referrer Profession (referrer_profession)	string	yes	<div>1: General Practitioner</div> <div>2: Psychiatrist</div> <div>3: Obstetrician</div> <div>4: Paediatrician</div> <div>5: Other Medical Specialist</div> <div>6: Midwife</div> <div>7: Maternal Health Nurse</div> <div>8: Psychologist</div> <div>9: Mental Health Nurse</div> <div>10: Social Worker</div> <div>11: Occupational therapist</div> <div>12: Aboriginal Health Worker</div> <div>13: Educational professional</div> <div>14: Early childhood service worker</div> <div>15: Other</div> <div>98: N/A - Self referral</div> <div>99: Not stated</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Episode - Referrer Organisation Type (referrer_organisation_type)	string	yes	1: General Practice  2: Medical Specialist Consulting Rooms  3: Private practice  4: Public mental health service  5: Public Hospital  6: Private Hospital  7: Emergency Department  8: Community Health Centre  9: Drug and Alcohol Service  10: Community Support Organisation NFP  11: Indigenous Health Organisation  12: Child and Maternal Health  13: Nursing Service  14: Telephone helpline  15: Digital health service  16: Family Support Service  17: School  18: Tertiary Education institution  19: Housing service  20: Centrelink  21: Other  98: N/A - Self referral  99: Not stated

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Episode - Continuity of Support</a> (continuity_of_support)	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No 9: Not stated/ inadequately described
<a href="#">Episode - Tags</a> (episode_tags)	string	—	List of tags for the episode.

### 3.3.6. Service Contact

See [Service Contact](#) for definition of a service contact.

Service contacts are managed by the provider organisations via upload.

Table 3.6 Service contact record layout

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Organisation Path</a> (organisation_path)	string	yes	A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.
<a href="#">Service Contact Key</a> (service_contact_key)	string (2,50)	yes	This is a number or code assigned to each service contact. The Service Contact Key is unique and stable for each service contact at the level of the Provider Organisation.
<a href="#">Episode Key</a> (episode_key)	string (2,50)	yes	This is a number or code assigned to each episode. The Episode Key is unique and stable for each episode at the level of the organisation.
<a href="#">Practitioner Key</a> (practitioner_key)	string (2,50)	yes	A unique identifier for a practitioner within the provider organisation.
<a href="#">Service Contact - Date</a> (service_contact_date)  METeOR: <a href="#">494356</a>	date	yes	The date of each mental health service contact between a health service provider and patient/client.

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Service Contact - Type</a> (service_contact_type)	string	yes	<div>0: No contact took place</div> <div>1: Assessment</div> <div>2: Structured psychological intervention</div> <div>3: Other psychological intervention</div> <div>4: Clinical care coordination/ liaison</div> <div>5: Clinical nursing services</div> <div>6: Child or youth specific assistance NEC</div> <div>7: Suicide prevention specific assistance NEC</div> <div>8: Cultural specific assistance NEC</div> <div>9: Psychosocial support</div> <div>98: ATAPS</div>
<a href="#">Service Contact - Postcode</a> (service_contact_postcode)  METeOR: <a href="#">429894</a>	string	yes	The Australian postcode where the service contact took place.
<a href="#">Service Contact - Modality</a> (service_contact_modality)	string	yes	<div>0: No contact took place</div> <div>1: Face to Face</div> <div>2: Telephone</div> <div>3: Video</div> <div>4: Internet-based</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Service Contact - Participants</a> (service_contact_participants)	string	yes	<div>1: Individual client</div> <div>2: Client group</div> <div>3: Family / Client Support Network</div> <div>4: Other health professional or service provider</div> <div>5: Other</div> <div>9: Not stated</div>



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Service Contact - Venue</a> (service_contact_venue)	string	yes	1: Client's Home
			2: Service provider's office
			3: GP Practice
			4: Other medical practice
			5: Headspace Centre
			6: Other primary care setting
			7: Public or private hospital
			8: Residential aged care facility
			9: School or other educational centre
			10: Client's Workplace
			11: Other
			12: Aged care centre - non-residential
			98: Not applicable (Service Contact Modality is not face to face)
			99: Not stated

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Service Contact - Duration</a> (service_contact_duration)	string	yes	0: No contact took place 1: 1-15 mins 2: 16-30 mins 3: 31-45 mins 4: 46-60 mins 5: 61-75 mins 6: 76-90 mins 7: 91-105 mins 8: 106-120 mins 9: over 120 mins
<a href="#">Service Contact - Copayment</a> (service_contact_copayment)	number	yes	0 - 999999.99
<a href="#">Service Contact - Client Participation Indicator</a> (service_contact_participation_indicator)  METeOR: <a href="#">494341</a>	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No
<a href="#">Service Contact - Interpreter Used</a> (service_contact_interpreter)	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No 9: Not stated
<a href="#">Service Contact - No Show</a> (service_contact_no_show)	string	yes	1: Yes 2: No
<a href="#">Service Contact - Final</a> (service_contact_final)	string	yes	1: No further services are planned for the client in the current episode 2: Further services are planned for the client in the current episode 3: Not known at this stage
<a href="#">Service Contact - Tags</a> (service_contact_tags)	string	—	List of tags for the service contact.

### 3.3.7. Outcome Collection Occasion

See [Outcome Collection Occasion](#) for definition of an outcome collection occasion.

Individual item scores will eventually be required, however, it is noted that in the short term there are issues with collecting individual item scores. Therefore, as a transitional phase, reporting overall scores/subscales will be allowed.

Outcome collection occasions are managed by the provider organisations via upload.

PMHC MDS requires the use of one of the following three required outcome collection occasions measures, as follows:

- **For adults (18+ years)** - Kessler Psychological Distress Scale [K10+](#) is the prescribed measure, with the option to use the [K5](#) for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people if that is considered more appropriate.
- **For children and young people (up to and including 17 years)** - the Strengths & Difficulties Questionnaires ([SDQ](#)) is the prescribed tool. The specified versions include the parent-report for 4-10 years and 11-17 years; and the self-report for 11-17 years.

*Please note: For adolescents, clinician-discretion is allowed, and that the K10+ or K5 may be used, even though the person is under 18 years*

#### 3.3.7.1. Collection Occasion - Tags

The PMHC data entry interface has been updated to support multiple measures collected at each collection occasion. For this reason a Collection Occasion - Tags field exists in the data entry interface but not in the data specification.

Please refer to the Tags field for the measure type that you are collecting:

- [K10+ - Tags](#)
- [K5 - Tags](#)
- [SDQ - Tags](#)

For Wayback measures please refer to the Wayback data specification at [Collection Occasion - Tags](#)

#### 3.3.7.2. K10+

As noted above, reporting individual item scores will eventually be required. In the short term, respondents can either report all 14 item scores or report the K10 total score as well as item scores for the 4 extra items in the K10+.

Table 3.7 K10+ record layout

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Organisation Path (organisation_path)	string	yes	A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.
Collection Occasion Key (collection_occasion_key)	string (2,50)	yes	This is a number or code assigned to each collection occasion of outcome measures. The Collection Occasion Key is unique and stable for each collection occasion at the level of the organisation.
Episode Key (episode_key)	string (2,50)	yes	
Collection Occasion - Measure Date (measure_date)	date	yes	The date the measure was given.
Collection Occasion - Reason (reason_for_collection)	string	yes	1: Episode start 2: Review 3: Episode end
K10+ - Question 1 (k10p_item1)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
K10+ - Question 2 (k10p_item2)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Question 3 (k10p_item3)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Question 4 (k10p_item4)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
K10+ - Question 5 (k10p_item5)	string	yes	<div>1: None of the time</div> <div>2: A little of the time</div> <div>3: Some of the time</div> <div>4: Most of the time</div> <div>5: All of the time</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>
K10+ - Question 6 (k10p_item6)	string	yes	<div>1: None of the time</div> <div>2: A little of the time</div> <div>3: Some of the time</div> <div>4: Most of the time</div> <div>5: All of the time</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>
K10+ - Question 7 (k10p_item7)	string	yes	<div>1: None of the time</div> <div>2: A little of the time</div> <div>3: Some of the time</div> <div>4: Most of the time</div> <div>5: All of the time</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
K10+ - Question 8 (k10p_item8)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Question 9 (k10p_item9)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Question 10 (k10p_item10)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Question 11 (k10p_item11)	integer	yes	0 - 28, 99 = Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Question 12 (k10p_item12)	integer	yes	0 - 28, 99 = Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Question 13 (k10p_item13)	integer	yes	0 - 89, 99 = Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
K10+ - Question 14 (k10p_item14)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Score (k10p_score)	integer	yes	10 - 50, 99 = Not stated / Missing
K10+ - Tags (k10p_tags)	string	—	List of tags for the collection occasion.

When the client's responses to Q1-10 are all recorded as 1 'None of the time', they are not required to answer questions 11-14. Where a question has not been answered please select a response of 'Not stated / missing'.

### 3.3.7.3. K5

As noted above, reporting individual item scores will eventually be required. In the short term, respondents can either report all 5 item scores or report the K5 total score.

Table 3.8 K5 record layout

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Organisation Path (organisation_path)	string	yes	A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.
Collection Occasion Key (collection_occasion_key)	string (2,50)	yes	This is a number or code assigned to each collection occasion of outcome measures. The Collection Occasion Key is unique and stable for each collection occasion at the level of the organisation.
Episode Key (episode_key)	string (2,50)	yes	
Collection Occasion - Measure Date (measure_date)	date	yes	The date the measure was given.



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
Collection Occasion - Reason (reason_for_collection)	string	yes	1: Episode start 2: Review 3: Episode end
K5 - Question 1 (k5_item1)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K5 - Question 2 (k5_item2)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K5 - Question 3 (k5_item3)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
K5 - Question 4 (k5_item4)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K5 - Question 5 (k5_item5)	string	yes	1: None of the time 2: A little of the time 3: Some of the time 4: Most of the time 5: All of the time 9: Not stated / Missing
K5 - Score (k5_score)	integer	yes	5 - 25, 99 = Not stated / Missing
K5 - Tags (k5_tags)	string	—	List of tags for the collection occasion.

#### 3.3.7.4. SDQ

Extensive support materials are available on the SDQ developers' website, including copies of the various versions of the instrument, background information and scoring instructions. See <http://www.sdqinfo.com>. There are six versions (parent-report and youth-self report) currently specified format PMHC MDS reporting.

The "1" versions are administered on admission and are rated on the basis of the proceeding 6 months. The "2" follow up versions are administered on review and discharge and are rated on the basis of the previous 1 month period.

The versions specified for PMHC MDS reporting are:

- PC1 - Parent Report Measure for Children aged 4-10, Baseline version;
- PC2 - Parent Report Measure for Children and Adolescents aged 4-10, Follow up version;

- PY1 - Parent Report Measure for Youth aged 11-17, Baseline version;
- PY2 - Parent Report Measure for Youth aged 11-17, Follow up version;
- YR1 - Youth self report measure (11-17), Baseline version; and
- YR2 - Youth self report measure (11-17), Follow up version.

*We acknowledge that there is also a parent-report for 2-4 years; and teacher versions for all the years (2-4; 4-10 and 11-17) but that these are not to be reported the PMHC-MDS.*

Please note that the item numbering in the SDQ versions is deliberately non sequential because it covers all items in all versions, both to indicate item equivalence across versions and to assist data entry, especially of translated versions. The table below indicates the items that are included in each version, the rating periods used and the broad content covered by each item.

	Informant	Parent				Young Person	
	Age range	4-10		11-17		11 - 17	
	Application	Baseline	Followup	Baseline	Followup	Baseline	Followup
	Rating period	6 months	1 month	6 months	1 month	6 months	1 month
Items	Item Content	Version					
		PC1	PC2	PY1	PY2	YR1	YR2
1-25	Symptoms	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26	Overall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
27	Duration	✓	X	✓	X	✓	
28-33	Impact	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
34-35	Follow up progress	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓
36-38	Cross-Informant information	✓	X	✓	X	X	X
39-42	Cross-Informant information	X	X	X	X	✓	X

As noted above, reporting individual item scores will eventually be required. In the short term, respondents can either report all 42 item scores or report the SDQ subscale scores.

### 3.3.7.4.1. SDQ items and Scale Summary scores

The first 25 items in the SDQ comprise 5 scales of 5 items each. It is usually easiest to score all 5 scales before working out the Total Difficulties score. For data entry, the responses to items should always be entered the same way (see below), but they are not all scored the same way. Somewhat True is always scored as 1, but the scoring of Not True and Certainly True varies with each item (see Table 5). For each of the 5 scales the score can range from 0-10 if all 5 items were completed. Scale scores can be prorated if at least 3 items were completed.

		Not True	Some-what True	Certainly True	Summary Score
Standard Values for Data Entry		0	1	2	
Data element	SDQ Item number and description	Item Score			
Emotional Symptoms Scale					0-10
Item 03	Often complains of headaches ...	0	1	2	
Item 08	Many worries or often seems worried	0	1	2	
Item 13	Often unhappy, depressed or tearful	0	1	2	
Item 16	Nervous or clingy in new situations ...	0	1	2	
Item 24	Many fears, easily scared	0	1	2	
Conduct Problem Scale					0-10
Item 05	Often loses temper ...	0	1	2	
Item 07	Generally well behaved ...	2	1	0	
Item 12	Often fights with other children ...	0	1	2	
Item 18	Often lies or cheats	0	1	2	
Item 22	Steals from home, school ...	0	1	2	
Hyperactivity Scale					0-10
Item 02	Restless, overactive ...	0	1	2	
Item 10	Constantly fidgeting ...	0	1	2	
Item 15	Easily distracted ...	0	1	2	
Item 21	Thinks things out before acting	2	1	0	
Item 25	Good attention span ...	2	1	0	
Peer Problem Scale					0-10
Item 06	Rather solitary, prefers to play alone	0	1	2	
Item 11	Has at least one good friend	2	1	0	

		Not True	Some-what True	Certainly True	Summary Score
Standard Values for Data Entry		0	1	2	
Data element	SDQ Item number and description	Item Score			
Item 14	Generally liked by other children	2	1	0	
Item 19	Picked on or bullied ...	0	1	2	
Item 23	Gets along better with adults ...	0	1	2	
Prosocial Scale					0-10
Item 01	Considerate of other people's feelings	0	1	2	
Item 04	Shares readily with other children ...	0	1	2	
Item 09	Helpful if someone is hurt ...	0	1	2	
Item 17	Kind to younger children	0	1	2	
Item 20	Often volunteers to help others ...	0	1	2	
SDQ Total Difficulties Score = Sum of Scales below					0-40
	Emotional Symptoms Scale	0-10			
	Conduct Problem Scale	0-10			
	Hyperactivity Scale	0-10			
	Peer Problem Scale	0-10			

- NB. Bold items indicate reverse scoring

#### 3.3.7.4.2. Scoring the SDQ

The standard values for coding individual Item responses are 0 (Not True), 1 (Somewhat True), 2 (Certainly True) and 9 (Missing data).

For completed items (response coded 0,1,2) the Item scores are usually the same as the standard values. There are exceptions for item 07, 11, 14, 21 and 25. These items are “reverse-scored”, that is, the standard value is mapped to Item scores as follows: 0->2, 1->1, 2->0.

Summary scores are only calculated if at least three of the five items have been completed (that is, coded 0, 1 or 2). Otherwise the summary score is set to missing. For the Summary scores, the missing value used should be 99.

The Summary scores are computed using the equation shown below, with the result being rounded to the nearest whole number. In the first 25 SDQ questions, each summary scale is composed of five items.

Summary score = (sum of item scores/number of valid completed items) x number of items

The simplest way to calculate the total difficulties score is to add up the following summary scores with the result being rounded to the nearest whole number.

Total score = Emotional Scale + Conduct Scale + Hyperactivity Scale + Peer Problem Scale

However, some of the summary scores may be missing. The rule is if more than one summary score is missing the Total Score is set to missing, value 99.

Items 28-32 are not completed if respondents have answered “No” to Item 26, which asks for an overall opinion about difficulties being present. In this case, all Item responses for Items 27 through 33 should be coded “8” for “not applicable”, and the impact score should be coded to zero. Item 27 is not included in the Impact Score since it assesses the chronicity of the difficulties- the length of time they have been present. Item 33 is not included in the Impact Score, since it assess the burden on others rather than on the child/youth.

The coded Item Responses for the remaining Items 28 through 32 have to be mapped to their Item Scores before adding up. This mapping is the same for all, namely: 0->0, 1->0, 2->1, 3->2.

*Table 3.9 SDQ record layout*

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">Organisation Path</a> (organisation_path)	string	yes	A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.
<a href="#">Collection Occasion Key</a> (collection_occasion_key)	string (2,50)	yes	This is a number or code assigned to each collection occasion of outcome measures. The Collection Occasion Key is unique and stable for each collection occasion at the level of the organisation.
<a href="#">Episode Key</a> (episode_key)	string (2,50)	yes	
<a href="#">Collection Occasion - Measure Date</a> (measure_date)	date	yes	The date the measure was given.
<a href="#">Collection Occasion - Reason</a> (reason_for_collection)	string	yes	<div><div>1:</div>Episode start</div> <div><div>2:</div>Review</div> <div><div>3:</div>Episode end</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ Collection Occasion - Version (sdq_version)	string	yes	PC101: Parent Report Measure 4-10 yrs, Baseline version, Australian Version 1
			PC201: Parent Report Measure 4-10 yrs, Follow Up version, Australian Version 1
			PY101: Parent Report Measure 11-17 yrs, Baseline version, Australian Version 1
			PY201: Parent Report Measure 11-17 yrs, Follow Up version, Australian Version 1
			YR101: Self report Version, 11-17 years, Baseline version, Australian Version 1
			YR201: Self report Version, 11-17 years, Follow Up version, Australian Version 1

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 1 (sdq_item1)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 2 (sdq_item2)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 3 (sdq_item3)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 4 (sdq_item4)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 5 (sdq_item5)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 6 (sdq_item6)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 7 (sdq_item7)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 8 (sdq_item8)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 9 (sdq_item9)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 10 (sdq_item10)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 11 (sdq_item11)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 12 (sdq_item12)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 13 (sdq_item13)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 14 (sdq_item14)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 15 (sdq_item15)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 16 (sdq_item16)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 17 (sdq_item17)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 18 (sdq_item18)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 19 (sdq_item19)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 20 (sdq_item20)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 21 (sdq_item21)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 22 (sdq_item22)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 23 (sdq_item23)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 24 (sdq_item24)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 25 (sdq_item25)	string	yes	0: Not True 1: Somewhat True 2: Certainly True 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 26 (sdq_item26)	string	yes	0: No 1: Yes - minor difficulties 2: Yes - definite difficulties 3: Yes - severe difficulties 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 27 (sdq_item27)	string	yes	0: Less than a month 1: 1-5 months 2: 6-12 months 3: Over a year 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0) 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 28 (sdq_item28)	string	yes	<div>0: Not at all</div> <div>1: A little</div> <div>2: A medium amount</div> <div>3: A great deal</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>
SDQ - Question 29 (sdq_item29)	string	yes	<div>0: Not at all</div> <div>1: A little</div> <div>2: A medium amount</div> <div>3: A great deal</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 30 (sdq_item30)	string	yes	<div>0: Not at all</div> <div>1: A little</div> <div>2: A medium amount</div> <div>3: A great deal</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>
SDQ - Question 31 (sdq_item31)	string	yes	<div>0: Not at all</div> <div>1: A little</div> <div>2: A medium amount</div> <div>3: A great deal</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>



Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
<a href="#">SDQ - Question 32</a> (sdq_item32)	string	yes	0: Not at all 1: A little 2: A medium amount 3: A great deal 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0) 9: Not stated / Missing
<a href="#">SDQ - Question 33</a> (sdq_item33)	string	yes	0: Not at all 1: A little 2: A medium amount 3: A great deal 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0) 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 34 (sdq_item34)	string	yes	<div>0: Much worse</div> <div>1: A bit worse</div> <div>2: About the same</div> <div>3: A bit better</div> <div>4: Much better</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>
SDQ - Question 35 (sdq_item35)	string	yes	<div>0: Not at all</div> <div>1: A little</div> <div>2: A medium amount</div> <div>3: A great deal</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 36 (sdq_item36)	string	yes	<div>0: No</div> <div>1: A little</div> <div>2: A lot</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>
SDQ - Question 37 (sdq_item37)	string	yes	<div>0: No</div> <div>1: A little</div> <div>2: A lot</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>
SDQ - Question 38 (sdq_item38)	string	yes	<div>0: No</div> <div>1: A little</div> <div>2: A lot</div> <div>7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)</div> <div>8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)</div> <div>9: Not stated / Missing</div>

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 39 (sdq_item39)	string	yes	0: No 1: A little 2: A lot 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 40 (sdq_item40)	string	yes	0: No 1: A little 2: A lot 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Question 41 (sdq_item41)	string	yes	0: No 1: A little 2: A lot 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0) 9: Not stated / Missing

Data Element (Field Name)	Type (min,max)	Required	Format / Values
SDQ - Question 42 (sdq_item42)	string	yes	0: No 1: A little 2: A lot 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information) 8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0) 9: Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Emotional Symptoms Scale (sdq_emotional_symptoms)	integer	yes	0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Conduct Problem Scale (sdq_conduct_problem)	integer	yes	0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Hyperactivity Scale (sdq_hyperactivity)	integer	yes	0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Peer Problem Scale (sdq_peer_problem)	integer	yes	0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Prosocial Scale (sdq_prosocial)	integer	yes	0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Total Difficulties Score (sdq_total)	integer	yes	0 - 40, 99 = Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Impact Score (sdq_impact)	integer	yes	0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing
SDQ - Tags (sdq_tags)	string	—	List of tags for the collection occasion.

## 3.4. Definitions

### 3.4.1. Client - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status

Whether a person identifies as being of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin, as represented by a code.

Field name: client\_atsi\_status

Data type: string

Required: yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>1:</b>	Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin
	<b>2:</b>	Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin
	<b>3:</b>	Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin
	<b>4:</b>	Neither Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated/inadequately described

**Code 9 is not to be available as a valid answer to the questions but is**

intended for use:

<b>Notes:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Primarily when importing data from other data collections that do not contain mappable data.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where an answer was refused.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where the question was not able to be asked prior to completion of assistance because the client was unable to communicate or a person who knows the client was not available.</li> </ul>

**METeOR:**     [291036](#)

### 3.4.2. Client - Country of Birth

The country in which the client was born, as represented by a code.

**Field name:**     country\_of\_birth

**Data type:**     string (4)

**Required:**     yes

**Domain:**

1101: Australia

1102: Norfolk Island

1199: Australian External Territories, nec

1201: New Zealand

1301: New Caledonia

1302: Papua New Guinea

1303: Solomon Islands

1304: Vanuatu

1401: Guam

1402: Kiribati

1403: Marshall Islands

1404: Micronesia, Federated States of

1405: Nauru

1406: Northern Mariana Islands

1407: Palau

1501: Cook Islands

1502: Fiji

1503: French Polynesia

1504: Niue

1505: Samoa

1506: Samoa, American

1507: Tokelau

1508: Tonga

1511: Tuvalu

1512: Wallis and Futuna

1513: Pitcairn Islands

1599: Polynesia (excludes Hawaii), nec

1601: Adelie Land (France)

1602: Argentinian Antarctic Territory

1603: Australian Antarctic Territory

1604: British Antarctic Territory

1605: Chilean Antarctic Territory

1606: Queen Maud Land (Norway)

1607: Ross Dependency (New Zealand)

2102: England

2103: Isle of Man

2104: Northern Ireland

2105: Scotland

2106: Wales

2107: Guernsey

2108: Jersey

2201: Ireland

2301: Austria

2302: Belgium

2303: France

2304: Germany

2305: Liechtenstein

2306: Luxembourg

2307: Monaco

2308: Netherlands

2311: Switzerland

2401: Denmark

2402: Faroe Islands

2403: Finland

2404: Greenland

2405: Iceland

2406: Norway

2407: Sweden

2408: Aland Islands

3101: Andorra

3102: Gibraltar

3103: Holy See

3104: Italy

3105: Malta

3106: Portugal

3107: San Marino



3108: Spain

3201: Albania

3202: Bosnia and Herzegovina

3203: Bulgaria

3204: Croatia

3205: Cyprus

3206: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

3207: Greece

3208: Moldova

3211: Romania

3212: Slovenia

3214: Montenegro

3215: Serbia

3216: Kosovo

3301: Belarus

3302: Czech Republic

3303: Estonia

3304: Hungary

3305: Latvia

3306: Lithuania

3307: Poland

3308: Russian Federation

3311: Slovakia

3312: Ukraine

4101: Algeria

4102: Egypt

4103: Libya

4104: Morocco

4105: Sudan

4106: Tunisia

4107: Western Sahara

4108: Spanish North Africa

4111: South Sudan

4201:	Bahrain
4202:	Gaza Strip and West Bank
4203:	Iran
4204:	Iraq
4205:	Israel
4206:	Jordan
4207:	Kuwait
4208:	Lebanon
4211:	Oman
4212:	Qatar
4213:	Saudi Arabia
4214:	Syria
4215:	Turkey
4216:	United Arab Emirates
4217:	Yemen
5101:	Myanmar
5102:	Cambodia
5103:	Laos
5104:	Thailand
5105:	Vietnam
5201:	Brunei Darussalam
5202:	Indonesia
5203:	Malaysia
5204:	Philippines
5205:	Singapore
5206:	Timor-Leste
6101:	China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)
6102:	Hong Kong (SAR of China)
6103:	Macau (SAR of China)
6104:	Mongolia
6105:	Taiwan
6201:	Japan
6202:	Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)

6203: Korea, Republic of (South)

7101: Bangladesh

7102: Bhutan

7103: India

7104: Maldives

7105: Nepal

7106: Pakistan

7107: Sri Lanka

7201: Afghanistan

7202: Armenia

7203: Azerbaijan

7204: Georgia

7205: Kazakhstan

7206: Kyrgyzstan

7207: Tajikistan

7208: Turkmenistan

7211: Uzbekistan

8101: Bermuda

8102: Canada

8103: St Pierre and Miquelon

8104: United States of America

8201: Argentina

8202: Bolivia

8203: Brazil

8204: Chile

8205: Colombia

8206: Ecuador

8207: Falkland Islands

8208: French Guiana

8211: Guyana

8212: Paraguay

8213: Peru

8214: Suriname

8215:	Uruguay
8216:	Venezuela
8299:	South America, nec
8301:	Belize
8302:	Costa Rica
8303:	El Salvador
8304:	Guatemala
8305:	Honduras
8306:	Mexico
8307:	Nicaragua
8308:	Panama
8401:	Anguilla
8402:	Antigua and Barbuda
8403:	Aruba
8404:	Bahamas
8405:	Barbados
8406:	Cayman Islands
8407:	Cuba
8408:	Dominica
8411:	Dominican Republic
8412:	Grenada
8413:	Guadeloupe
8414:	Haiti
8415:	Jamaica
8416:	Martinique
8417:	Montserrat
8421:	Puerto Rico
8422:	St Kitts and Nevis
8423:	St Lucia
8424:	St Vincent and the Grenadines
8425:	Trinidad and Tobago
8426:	Turks and Caicos Islands
8427:	Virgin Islands, British

8428: Virgin Islands, United States

8431: St Barthelemy

8432: St Martin (French part)

8433: Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba

8434: Curacao

8435: Sint Maarten (Dutch part)

9101: Benin

9102: Burkina Faso

9103: Cameroon

9104: Cabo Verde

9105: Central African Republic

9106: Chad

9107: Congo, Republic of

9108: Congo, Democratic Republic of

9111: Cote d'Ivoire

9112: Equatorial Guinea

9113: Gabon

9114: Gambia

9115: Ghana

9116: Guinea

9117: Guinea-Bissau

9118: Liberia

9121: Mali

9122: Mauritania

9123: Niger

9124: Nigeria

9125: Sao Tome and Principe

9126: Senegal

9127: Sierra Leone

9128: Togo

9201: Angola

9202: Botswana

9203: Burundi

9204:	Comoros
9205:	Djibouti
9206:	Eritrea
9207:	Ethiopia
9208:	Kenya
9211:	Lesotho
9212:	Madagascar
9213:	Malawi
9214:	Mauritius
9215:	Mayotte
9216:	Mozambique
9217:	Namibia
9218:	Reunion
9221:	Rwanda
9222:	St Helena
9223:	Seychelles
9224:	Somalia
9225:	South Africa
9226:	Swaziland
9227:	Tanzania
9228:	Uganda
9231:	Zambia
9232:	Zimbabwe
9299:	Southern and East Africa, nec
9999:	Unknown

[Standard Australian Classification of Countries \(SACC\), 2016 4-digit code \(ABS Catalogue No. 1269.0\)](#)  
SACC 2016 is a four-digit, three-level hierarchical structure specifying major group, minor group and country. 9999 is used when the information is not known or the client has refused to provide the information.

**Notes:**

Organisations are encouraged to produce customised lists of the most common languages in use by their local populations from the above resource. Please refer to [Country of Birth](#) for help on designing forms.

**METeOR:** [459973](#)

**ABS:** <http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/mf/1269.0>

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### 3.4.3. Client - Date of Birth

The date on which an individual was born.

**Field name:** date\_of\_birth

**Data type:** date

**Required:** yes

**Notes:**

- The date of birth must not be before January 1st 1900.
- The date of birth must not be in the future.
- If the date of birth is unknown, the following approaches should be used:
  - If the age of the person is known, the age should be used to derive the year of birth
  - If the age of the person is unknown, an estimated age of the person should be used to estimate a year of birth
- An actual or estimated year of birth should then be converted into an estimated date of birth using the following convention: 0101Estimated year of birth.
- If the date of birth is totally unknown, use 09099999.
- If you have estimated the year of birth make sure you record this in the 'Estimated date of birth flag'

**METeOR:** [287007](#)

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### 3.4.4. Client - Estimated Date of Birth Flag

The date of birth estimate flag records whether or not the client's date of birth has been estimated.

**Field name:** est\_date\_of\_birth

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: Date of birth is accurate
- 2: Date of birth is an estimate
- 8: Date of birth is a 'dummy' date (ie, 09099999)
- 9: Accuracy of stated date of birth is not known

### 3.4.5. Client - Gender

The term 'gender' refers to the way in which a person identifies their masculine or feminine characteristics. A persons gender relates to their deeply held internal and individual sense of gender and is not always exclusively male or female. It may or may not correspond to their sex assigned at birth.

**Field name:** client\_gender

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**0:** Not stated/Inadequately described

**1:** Male

**Domain:** **2:** Female

**3:** Other

#### 1 - M - Male

Adults who identify themselves as men, and children who identify themselves as boys.

#### 2 - F - Female

**Notes:** Adults who identify themselves as women, and children who identify themselves as girls.

#### 3 - X- Other

Adults and children who identify as non-binary, gender diverse, or with descriptors other than man/boy or woman/girl.

**ABS:** <http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1200.0.55.012Main%20Features12016?opendocument&tabname=Summary&prodno=1200.0.55.012&issue=2016&nu>

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### 3.4.6. Client Key

This is a number or code assigned to each individual client referred to the commissioned organisation. The client identifier must be unique and stable for each individual within the Provider Organisation. Assigned by either the PHN or Provider Organisation depending on local procedures.

**Field name:** client\_key

**Data type:** string (2,50)

**Required:** yes



Client keys must be unique within each Provider Organisation. The Client Key will be managed by the Provider Organisation, however, the PHN may decide to play a role in coordinating assignment and management of these client keys. Clients should not be assigned multiple keys within the same Provider Organisation.

**Notes:**

Client keys are case sensitive and must be valid unicode characters.

See [Managing Client Keys](#)

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### **3.4.7. Client - Main Language Spoken at Home**

The language reported by a client as the main language other than English spoken by that client in his/her home (or most recent private residential setting occupied by the client) to communicate with other residents of the home or setting and regular visitors, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** main\_lang\_at\_home

**Data type:** string (4)

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

1101:	Gaelic (Scotland)
1102:	Irish
1103:	Welsh
1199:	Celtic, nec
1201:	English
1301:	German
1302:	Letzeburgish
1303:	Yiddish
1401:	Dutch
1402:	Frisian
1403:	Afrikaans
1501:	Danish
1502:	Icelandic
1503:	Norwegian
1504:	Swedish
1599:	Scandinavian, nec
1601:	Estonian
1602:	Finnish
1699:	Finnish and Related Languages, nec
2101:	French
2201:	Greek
2301:	Catalan
2302:	Portuguese
2303:	Spanish
2399:	Iberian Romance, nec
2401:	Italian
2501:	Maltese
2901:	Basque
2902:	Latin
2999:	Other Southern European Languages, nec
3101:	Latvian
3102:	Lithuanian
3301:	Hungarian

3401:	Belorussian
3402:	Russian
3403:	Ukrainian
3501:	Bosnian
3502:	Bulgarian
3503:	Croatian
3504:	Macedonian
3505:	Serbian
3506:	Slovene
3507:	Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described
3601:	Czech
3602:	Polish
3603:	Slovak
3604:	Czechoslovakian, so described
3901:	Albanian
3903:	Aromunian (Macedo-Romanian)
3904:	Romanian
3905:	Romany
3999:	Other Eastern European Languages, nec
4101:	Kurdish
4102:	Pashto
4104:	Balochi
4105:	Dari
4106:	Persian (excluding Dari)
4107:	Hazaraghi
4199:	Iranic, nec
4202:	Arabic
4204:	Hebrew
4206:	Assyrian Neo-Aramaic
4207:	Chaldean Neo-Aramaic
4208:	Mandaean (Mandaic)
4299:	Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec
4301:	Turkish

4302:	Azeri
4303:	Tatar
4304:	Turkmen
4305:	Uyгур
4306:	Uzbek
4399:	Turkic, nec
4901:	Armenian
4902:	Georgian
4999:	Other Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nec
5101:	Kannada
5102:	Malayalam
5103:	Tamil
5104:	Telugu
5105:	Tulu
5199:	Dravidian, nec
5201:	Bengali
5202:	Gujarati
5203:	Hindi
5204:	Konkani
5205:	Marathi
5206:	Nepali
5207:	Punjabi
5208:	Sindhi
5211:	Sinhalese
5212:	Urdu
5213:	Assamese
5214:	Dhivehi
5215:	Kashmiri
5216:	Oriya
5217:	Fijian Hindustani
5299:	Indo-Aryan, nec
5999:	Other Southern Asian Languages
6101:	Burmese

6102:	Chin Haka
6103:	Karen
6104:	Rohingya
6105:	Zomi
6199:	Burmese and Related Languages, nec
6201:	Hmong
6299:	Hmong-Mien, nec
6301:	Khmer
6302:	Vietnamese
6303:	Mon
6399:	Mon-Khmer, nec
6401:	Lao
6402:	Thai
6499:	Tai, nec
6501:	Bisaya
6502:	Cebuano
6503:	Ilokano
6504:	Indonesian
6505:	Malay
6507:	Tetum
6508:	Timorese
6511:	Tagalog
6512:	Filipino
6513:	Acehnese
6514:	Balinese
6515:	Bikol
6516:	Iban
6517:	Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)
6518:	Javanese
6521:	Pampangan
6599:	Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec
6999:	Other Southeast Asian Languages
7101:	Cantonese

7102:	Hakka
7104:	Mandarin
7106:	Wu
7107:	Min Nan
7199:	Chinese, nec
7201:	Japanese
7301:	Korean
7901:	Tibetan
7902:	Mongolian
7999:	Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec
8101:	Anindilyakwa
8111:	Maung
8113:	Ngan'gikurunggurr
8114:	Nunggubuyu
8115:	Rembarrnga
8117:	Tiwi
8121:	Alawa
8122:	Dalabon
8123:	Gudanji
8127:	Iwaidja
8128:	Jaminjung
8131:	Jawoyn
8132:	Jingulu
8133:	Kunbarlang
8136:	Larrakiya
8137:	Malak Malak
8138:	Mangarrayi
8141:	Maringarr
8142:	Marra
8143:	Marriithiyel
8144:	Matngala
8146:	Murrinh Patha
8147:	Na-kara

8148: Ndjebbana (Gunavidji)  
8151: Ngalakgan  
8152: Ngaliwurru  
8153: Nungali  
8154: Wambaya  
8155: Wardaman  
8156: Amurdak  
8157: Garrwa  
8158: Kuwema  
8161: Marramaninyshi  
8162: Ngandi  
8163: Waanyi  
8164: Wagiman  
8165: Yanyuwa  
8166: Marridan (Maridan)  
8171: Gundjeihmi  
8172: Kune  
8173: Kuninjku  
8174: Kunwinjku  
8175: Mayali  
8179: Kunwinjkuan, nec  
8181: Burarra  
8182: Gun-nartpa  
8183: Gurr-goni  
8189: Burarran, nec  
8199: Arnhem Land and Daly River Region Languages, nec  
8211: Galpu  
8212: Golumala  
8213: Wangurri  
8219: Dhangu, nec  
8221: Dhalwangu  
8222: Djarrwark  
8229: Dhay'yi, nec

8231:	Djambarrpuyngu
8232:	Djapu
8233:	Daatiwuy
8234:	Marrangu
8235:	Liyagalawumirr
8236:	Liyagawumirr
8239:	Dhuwal, nec
8242:	Gumatj
8243:	Gupapuyngu
8244:	Guyamirrili
8246:	Manggalili
8247:	Wubulkarra
8249:	Dhuwala, nec
8251:	Wurlaki
8259:	Djinang, nec
8261:	Ganalbingu
8262:	Djinba
8263:	Manyjalpingu
8269:	Djinba, nec
8271:	Ritharrngu
8272:	Wagilak
8279:	Yakuy, nec
8281:	Nhangu
8282:	Yan-nhangu
8289:	Nhangu, nec
8291:	Dhuwaya
8292:	Djangu
8293:	Madarrpa
8294:	Warramiri
8295:	Rirratjingu
8299:	Other Yolngu Matha, nec
8301:	Kuku Yalanji
8302:	Guugu Yimidhirr



8303:	Kuuku-Ya'u
8304:	Wik Mungkan
8305:	Djabugay
8306:	Dyirbal
8307:	Girramay
8308:	Koko-Bera
8311:	Kuuk Thayorre
8312:	Lamalama
8313:	Yidiny
8314:	Wik Ngathan
8315:	Alngith
8316:	Kugu Muminh
8317:	Morrobalama
8318:	Thaynakwith
8321:	Yupangathi
8322:	Tjungundji
8399:	Cape York Peninsula Languages, nec
8401:	Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya
8402:	Meriam Mir
8403:	Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)
8504:	Bilinarra
8505:	Gurindji
8506:	Gurindji Kriol
8507:	Jaru
8508:	Light Warlpiri
8511:	Malngin
8512:	Mudburra
8514:	Ngardi
8515:	Ngarinyman
8516:	Walmajarri
8517:	Wanyjirra
8518:	Warlmanpa
8521:	Warlpiri

8522:	Warumungu
8599:	Northern Desert Fringe Area Languages, nec
8603:	Alyawarr
8606:	Kaytetye
8607:	Antekerrepenh
8611:	Central Anmatyerr
8612:	Eastern Anmatyerr
8619:	Anmatyerr, nec
8621:	Eastern Arrernte
8622:	Western Arramta
8629:	Arrernte, nec
8699:	Arandic, nec
8703:	Antikarinya
8704:	Kartujarra
8705:	Kukatha
8706:	Kukatja
8707:	Luritja
8708:	Manyjilyjarra
8711:	Martu Wangka
8712:	Ngaanyatjarra
8713:	Pintupi
8714:	Pitjantjatjara
8715:	Wangkajunga
8716:	Wangkatha
8717:	Warnman
8718:	Yankunytjatjara
8721:	Yulparija
8722:	Tjupany
8799:	Western Desert Languages, nec
8801:	Bardi
8802:	Bunuba
8803:	Gooniyandi
8804:	Miriwoong

8805:	Ngarinyin
8806:	Nyikina
8807:	Worla
8808:	Worrorra
8811:	Wunambal
8812:	Yawuru
8813:	Gambera
8814:	Jawi
8815:	Kija
8899:	Kimberley Area Languages, nec
8901:	Adnymathanha
8902:	Arabana
8903:	Bandjalang
8904:	Banyjima
8905:	Batjala
8906:	Bidjara
8907:	Dhanggatti
8908:	Diyari
8911:	Gamilaraay
8913:	Garuwali
8914:	Githabul
8915:	Gumbaynggir
8916:	Kanai
8917:	Karajarri
8918:	Kariyarra
8921:	Kaurna
8922:	Kayardild
8924:	Kriol
8925:	Lardil
8926:	Mangala
8927:	Muruwari
8928:	Narungga
8931:	Ngarluma

8932:	Ngarrindjeri
8933:	Nyamal
8934:	Nyangumarta
8935:	Nyungar
8936:	Paakantyi
8937:	Palyku/Niyaparli
8938:	Wajarri
8941:	Wiradjuri
8943:	Yindjibarndi
8944:	Yinhawangka
8945:	Yorta Yorta
8946:	Baanbay
8947:	Badimaya
8948:	Barababaraba
8951:	Dadi Dadi
8952:	Dharawal
8953:	Djabwurrung
8954:	Gudjal
8955:	Keerray-Woorroong
8956:	Ladji Ladji
8957:	Mirning
8958:	Ngatjumaya
8961:	Waluwarra
8962:	Wangkangurru
8963:	Wargamay
8964:	Wergaia
8965:	Yugambeh
8998:	Aboriginal English, so described
8999:	Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec
9101:	American Languages
9201:	Acholi
9203:	Akan
9205:	Mauritian Creole

9206:	Oromo
9207:	Shona
9208:	Somali
9211:	Swahili
9212:	Yoruba
9213:	Zulu
9214:	Amharic
9215:	Bemba
9216:	Dinka
9217:	Ewe
9218:	Ga
9221:	Harari
9222:	Hausa
9223:	Igbo
9224:	Kikuyu
9225:	Krio
9226:	Luganda
9227:	Luo
9228:	Ndebele
9231:	Nuer
9232:	Nyanja (Chichewa)
9233:	Shilluk
9234:	Tigre
9235:	Tigrinya
9236:	Tswana
9237:	Xhosa
9238:	Seychelles Creole
9241:	Anuak
9242:	Bari
9243:	Bassa
9244:	Dan (Gio-Dan)
9245:	Fulfulde
9246:	Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)

9247:	Kirundi (Rundi)
9248:	Kpelle
9251:	Krahn
9252:	Liberian (Liberian English)
9253:	Loma (Lorma)
9254:	Lumun (Kuku Lumun)
9255:	Madi
9256:	Mandinka
9257:	Mann
9258:	Moro (Nuba Moro)
9261:	Themne
9262:	Lingala
9299:	African Languages, nec
9301:	Fijian
9302:	Gilbertese
9303:	Maori (Cook Island)
9304:	Maori (New Zealand)
9306:	Nauruan
9307:	Niue
9308:	Samoan
9311:	Tongan
9312:	Rotuman
9313:	Tokelauan
9314:	Tuvaluan
9315:	Yapese
9399:	Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec
9402:	Bislama
9403:	Hawaiian English
9404:	Norfolk-Pitcairn
9405:	Solomon Islands Pijin
9499:	Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec
9502:	Kiwai
9503:	Motu (HiriMotu)

9504:	Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)
9599:	Papua New Guinea Languages, nec
9601:	Invented Languages
9701:	Auslan
9702:	Key Word Sign Australia
9799:	Sign Languages, nec
9999:	Unknown

[Australian Standard Classification of Languages \(ASCL\), 2016 4-digit code \(ABS Catalogue No. 1267.0\)](#) or 9999 if info is not known or client refuses to supply.

**Notes:** The ABS recommends the following question in order to collect this data: Which language does the client mainly speak at home? (If more than one language, indicate the one that is spoken most often.)

Organisations are encouraged to produce customised lists of the most common countries based on their local populations from the above resource. Please refer to [Main Language Spoken at Home](#) for help on designing forms.

**METeOR:** [460125](#)

**ABS:** <http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/mf/1267.0>

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### 3.4.8. Client - Proficiency in Spoken English

The self-assessed level of ability to speak English, asked of people whose first language is a language other than English or who speak a language other than English at home.

**Field name:** prof\_english

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	0:	Not applicable (persons under 5 years of age or who speak only English)
	1:	Very well
	2:	Well
	3:	Not well
	4:	Not at all
	9:	Not stated/inadequately described

#### 0 - Not applicable (persons under 5 years of age or who speak only English)

Not applicable, is to be used for people under 5 years of age and people who speak only English.

#### 9 - Not stated/inadequately described

**Notes:**

Not stated/inadequately described, is not to be used on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

**METeOR:** [270203](#)

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### 3.4.9. Client - Statistical Linkage Key

A key that enables two or more records belonging to the same individual to be brought together.

**Field name:** slk

**Data type:** string (14,40)

**Required:** yes

System generated non-identifiable alphanumeric code derived from information held by the PMHC organisation.

**Supported formats:**

**Notes:**

- 14 character [SLK](#)
- a [Crockford encoded](#) sha1 hash of a 14 character SLK. This must be 32 characters in length.
- a hex encoded sha1 hash of a 14 character SLK. This must be 40 characters in length.

SLK values are stored in sha1\_hex format.

**METeOR:** [349510](#)

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### 3.4.10. Client - Tags

List of tags for the client.

**Field name:** client\_tags

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no



A comma separated list of tags.

Organisations can use this field to tag records in order to partition them as per local requirements.

**Notes:** Tags can contain lower case letters (or will get lowercased), numbers, dashes, spaces, and `!`. Leading and trailing spaces will be stripped. e.g. `priority!, nurse required, pending-outcome-1` would all be legitimate.

Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department. e.g. `!reserved, ! reserved, !department-use-only`.

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### 3.4.11. Collection Occasion - Measure Date

The date the measure was given.

**Field name:** measure\_date

**Data type:** date

**Required:** yes

For Date fields, data must be recorded in compliance with the standard format used across the National Health Data Dictionary; specifically, dates must be of fixed 8 column width in the format DDMMYYYY, with leading zeros used when necessary to pad out a value. For instance, 13th March 2008 would appear as 13032008.

If the date the measure was given is unknown, 09099999 should be used.

**Notes:**

- The measure date must not be before 1st January 2016.
  - The measure date must not be before [Episode - Referral Date](#)
  - The measure date must not be after [Episode - End Date](#)
  - The measure date must not be in the future.
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### 3.4.12. Collection Occasion - Reason

The reason for the collection of the outcome measures on the identified Outcome Collection Occasion.

**Field name:** reason\_for\_collection

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: Episode start
- 2: Review
- 3: Episode end

### 1 - Episode start

Refers to an outcome measure undertaken at the beginning of an Episode of Care. For the purposes of the PMHC MDS protocol, episodes may start at the point of first Service Contact with a new client who has not been seen previously by the organisation, or a first contact for a new Episode of Care for a client who has received services from the organisation in a previous Episode of Care that has been completed.

### 2 - Review

**Notes:**

Refers to an outcome measure undertaken during the course of an Episode of Care that post-dates Episode Start and pre-dates Episode End. An outcome measure may be undertaken at Review for a number of reasons including:

- in response to critical clinical events or changes in the client's mental health status;
- following a client-requested review; or
- other situations where a review may be indicated.

### 3 - Episode end

Refers to the outcome measures collected at the end of an Episode of Care.

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## 3.4.13. Collection Occasion Key

This is a number or code assigned to each collection occasion of outcome measures. The Collection Occasion Key is unique and stable for each collection occasion at the level of the organisation.

**Field name:** collection\_occasion\_key

**Data type:** string (2,50)

**Required:** yes

**Notes:**

Collection Occasion Keys must be generated by the organisation to be unique at the Provider Organisation level and must persist across time. Collection Occasion keys are allowed to be duplicated if different measures are collected on the same day for the same reason and episode. You cannot have the same collection occasion key for different collection occasions with the same measure. See [Managing Collection Occasion Keys](#)

Collection Occasion Keys are case sensitive and must be valid unicode characters.

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## 3.4.14. Episode - Additional Diagnosis

The main additional condition or complaint co-existing with the Principal Diagnosis or arising during the episode of care.

**Field name:** additional\_diagnosis

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

000:	No additional diagnosis
100:	Anxiety disorders (ATAPS)
101:	Panic disorder
102:	Agoraphobia
103:	Social phobia
104:	Generalised anxiety disorder
105:	Obsessive-compulsive disorder
106:	Post-traumatic stress disorder
107:	Acute stress disorder
108:	Other anxiety disorder
200:	Affective (Mood) disorders (ATAPS)
201:	Major depressive disorder
202:	Dysthymia
203:	Depressive disorder NOS
204:	Bipolar disorder
205:	Cyclothymic disorder
206:	Other affective disorder
300:	Substance use disorders (ATAPS)
301:	Alcohol harmful use
302:	Alcohol dependence
303:	Other drug harmful use
304:	Other drug dependence
305:	Other substance use disorder
400:	Psychotic disorders (ATAPS)
401:	Schizophrenia
402:	Schizoaffective disorder
403:	Brief psychotic disorder
404:	Other psychotic disorder
501:	Separation anxiety disorder
502:	Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
503:	Conduct disorder
504:	Oppositional defiant disorder
505:	Pervasive developmental disorder

506:	Other disorder of childhood and adolescence
601:	Adjustment disorder
602:	Eating disorder
603:	Somatoform disorder
604:	Personality disorder
605:	Other mental disorder
901:	Anxiety symptoms
902:	Depressive symptoms
903:	Mixed anxiety and depressive symptoms
904:	Stress related
905:	Other
999:	Missing

Additional Diagnosis gives information on conditions that are significant in terms of treatment required and resources used during the episode of care. Additional diagnoses should be interpreted as conditions that affect client management in terms of requiring any of the following:

- Commencement, alteration or adjustment of therapeutic treatment
- Diagnostic procedures
- Increased clinical care and/or monitoring

Where the client one or more comorbid mental health conditions in addition to the condition coded as the Principal Diagnosis, record the main condition as the Additional Diagnosis.

The following responses have been added to allow mapping of ATAPS data to PMHC format.

**Notes:**

- 100: Anxiety disorders (ATAPS)
- 200: Affective (Mood) disorders (ATAPS)
- 300: Substance use disorders (ATAPS)
- 400: Psychotic disorders (ATAPS)

*Note: These four codes should only be used for Episodes that are migrated from ATAPS MDS sources that cannot be described by any other Diagnosis. It is expected that the majority of Episodes delivered to clients from 1st July, 2017 can be assigned to other diagnoses.*

These responses will only be allowed on episodes where the original ATAPS referral date was before 1 July 2017

These responses will only be allowed on episodes with the !ATAPS flag.

For further notes on the recording of diagnosis codes see Principal Diagnosis.

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### 3.4.15. Episode - Area of usual residence, postcode

The Australian postcode of the client.

Field name:	client_postcode
Data type:	string
Required:	yes
	A valid Australian postcode or 9999 if the postcode is unknown or the client has not provided sufficient information to confirm their current residential address.
	The full list of Australian Postcodes can be found at <a href="#">Australia Post</a> .
Notes:	When collecting the postcode of a person's usual place of residence, the ABS recommends that 'usual' be defined as: 'the place where the person has or intends to live for 6 months or more, or the place that the person regards as their main residence, or where the person has no other residence, the place they currently reside.'
	Postcodes are deemed valid if they are in the range 0200-0299, 0800-9999.
METeOR:	<a href="#">429894</a>

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### 3.4.16. Episode - Client Consent to Anonymised Data

An indication that the client has consented to their anonymised data being provided to the Department of Health for statistical purposes in planning and improving mental health services.

Field name:	client_consent
Data type:	string
Required:	yes
	1: Yes
Domain:	2: No

#### 1 - Yes

The client has consented to their anonymised data being provided to the Department of Health for statistical purposes in planning and improving mental health services. The client's data will be included in reports and extracts accessible by the Department of Health.

#### 2 - No

**Notes:**

The client has not consented to their anonymised data being provided to the Department of Health for statistical purposes in planning and improving mental health services. The client's data will be excluded from reports and extracts accessible by the Department of Health.

All data can be uploaded, regardless of consent flag.

All data will be available to PHNs to extract for their own internal data evaluation purposes.

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### 3.4.17. Episode - Completion Status

An indication of the completion status of an *Episode of Care*.

**Field name:** episode\_completion\_status

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no

**Domain:**

- 0: Episode open
- 1: Episode closed - treatment concluded
- 2: Episode closed administratively - client could not be contacted
- 3: Episode closed administratively - client declined further contact
- 4: Episode closed administratively - client moved out of area
- 5: Episode closed administratively - client referred elsewhere
- 6: Episode closed administratively - other reason

In order to use code 1 (Episode closed - treatment concluded) the client must have at least one service contact. All other codes may be applicable even when the client has no service contacts.

#### **0 or Blank - Episode open**

The client still requires treatment and further service contacts are required.

#### **1 - Episode closed - treatment concluded**

No further service contacts are planned as the client no longer requires treatment.

#### **2 - Episode closed administratively - client could not be contacted**

Further service contacts were planned but the client could no longer be contacted.

#### **3 - Episode closed administratively - client declined further contact**

Further service contacts were planned but the client declined further treatment.

#### **4 - Episode closed administratively - client moved out of area**

Further service contacts were planned but the client moved out of the area without a referral elsewhere. Where a client was referred somewhere else *Episode Completion Status* should be recorded as code 5 (Episode closed administratively - client referred elsewhere).

#### **5 - Episode closed administratively - client referred elsewhere**

Where a client still requires treatment, but a different service has been deemed appropriate or a client has moved out of the area so has moved to a different provider.

Notes:

#### **6 - Episode closed administratively - other reason**

Where a client is no longer being given treatment but the reason for conclusion is not covered above.

*Episode Completion Status* interacts with two other data items in the PMHC MDS - *Service Contact - Final*, and *Episode End Date*.

#### ***Service Contact - Final***

Collection of data for *Service Contacts* includes a *Service Contact - Final* item that requires the service provider to indicate whether further Service Contacts are planned. Where this item is recorded as 'no further services planned', the *Episode Completion Status* should be recorded as code 1 (Episode closed - treatment concluded) code 3 (Episode closed administratively - client declined further contact), code 4 (Episode closed administratively - client moved out of area), or code 5 (Episode closed administratively - client referred elsewhere). Selection of coding option should be that which best describes the circumstances of the episode ending.

#### ***Episode End Date***

Where a Final Service Contact is recorded *Episode End Date* should be recorded as the date of the final Service Contact.

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3.4.18. Episode - Continuity of Support

Is the client a Continuity of Support Client?

Field name:	continuity_of_support
Data type:	string
Required:	yes
Domain:	1: Yes
	2: No
	9: Not stated/inadequately described

Introduced 1 July 2019

Similar challenges to Psychosocial Support are faced with the Continuity of Support initiative. The important issues here are:

- The proposed changes to be made for the Psychosocial Support measure should accommodate most requirements for Continuity of Support clients.
- The one important difference is that CoS clients are a highly specific cohort – those currently in Commonwealth funded PIR, PHaMS and D2DL measures found to be ineligible for the NDIS. These clients should be readily identified.
- CoS clients need to have a marker in the PMHC MDS data that allows the cohort to be identified for separate reporting.

#### 1 - Yes

The person was a client of the Personal Helpers and Mentors (PHaMs), Partners In recovery (PIR) and/or Day to Day Living (D2DL) programs and has been found to be ineligible for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

#### Notes:

#### 2 - No

#### 9 - Not stated/inadequately described

It is expected that most **new clients** recorded as CoS clients will have their episodes classified as Psychosocial Support.

For existing clients who have an active (not closed) episode of care who become CoS clients after 1 July 2019, there is no need to close the current episode. PHNs may however wish to change the Principal Focus of Treatment Plan to Psychosocial Support if this better reflects the overall episode goals. Alternatively, PHNs may choose to close the existing episode and commence a new episode. This decision can be made locally.

Services delivered under the new CoS arrangements should be coded as Psychosocial Support in the Service Contact Type field. This is not intended to restrict CoS clients to only Psychosocial Support services. Contact Types delivered to CoS clients can vary across the full range (e.g., they could receive psychological therapy-type service contacts). However, where services are delivered under the CoS arrangements it is essential that they be coded as Psychosocial Support contacts to enable monitoring and reporting of the new CoS measure.

As the new measure does not commence until 1 July 2019, all clients in active episodes prior to that date should be coded as 'No'. This will be implemented by Strategic Data in the PMHC MDS as a system-wide change for all existing clients in active episodes as at 30 June 2019. Changes made to those existing clients from 1 July 2019 can then be made locally.

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### 3.4.19. Episode - Employment Participation

Whether a person in paid employment is employed full-time or part-time, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** employment\_participation

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: Full-time

2: Part-time

**Domain:** 3: Not applicable - not in the labour force

9: Not stated/inadequately described

Applies only to people whose labour force status is employed. (See metadata item Labour Force Status, for a definition of 'employed'). Paid employment includes persons who performed some work for wages or salary, in cash or in kind, and persons temporarily absent from a paid employment job but who retained a formal attachment to that job.

**1 - Full-time**

Employed persons are working full-time if they: (a) usually work 35 hours or more in a week (in all paid jobs) or (b) although usually working less than 35 hours a week, actually worked 35 hours or more during the reference period.

**Notes:**

**2 - Part-time**

Employed persons are working part-time if they usually work less than 35 hours a week (in all paid jobs) and either did so during the reference period, or were not at work in the reference period.

**9 - Not stated / inadequately described**

Is not to be used on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

**METeOR:** [269950](#)

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### 3.4.20. Episode - End Date

The date on which an *Episode of Care* is formally or administratively ended

**Field name:** episode\_end\_date

**Data type:** date

**Required:** no

- The episode end date must not be before 1st January 2016.
- The episode end date must not be in the future.

An *Episode of Care* may be ended in one of two ways:

- clinically, consequent upon conclusion of treatment for the client and discharge from care; or
- administratively (statistically), where contact with the client has been lost by the organisation prior to completion of treatment or other factors prevented treatment being completed.

*Episode End Date* interacts with two other data items in the PMHC MDS - *Service Contact - Final*, and *Episode Completion Status*.

#### ***Service Contact - Final***

##### **Notes:**

Collection of data for *Service Contacts* includes a *Service Contact - Final* item that requires the service provider to indicate whether further *Service Contacts* are planned. Where this item is recorded as 'no further services planned', the date of the final *Service Contact* should be recorded as the *Episode End Date*.

#### ***Episode Completion Status***

This field should be recorded as 'Episode closed treatment concluded' when a *Service Contact - Final* is recorded. The *Episode Completion Status* field can also be manually recorded to allow for administrative closure of episodes (e.g., contact has been lost with a client over a prolonged period - see *Episode Completion Status* for additional guidance). Where an episode is closed administratively, the *Episode End Date* should be recorded as the date on which the organisation made the decision to close episode.

METeOR: [614094](#)

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### **3.4.21. Episode - GP Mental Health Treatment Plan Flag**

An indication of whether a client has a GP mental health treatment plan. A GP should be involved in a referral where appropriate however a mental health treatment plan is not mandatory.

**Field name:** mental\_health\_treatment\_plan

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	1:	Yes
	2:	No
	3:	Unknown
	9:	Not stated/inadequately described

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### 3.4.22. Episode - Health Care Card

An indication of whether the person is a current holder of a Health Care Card that entitles them to arrange of concessions for Government funded health services.

**Field name:** health\_care\_card

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	1:	Yes
	2:	No
	3:	Not Known
	9:	Not stated

**Notes:** Details on the Australian Government Health Care Card are available at:  
<https://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/centrelink/health-care-card>

**METeOR:** [605149](#)

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### 3.4.23. Episode - Homelessness Flag

An indication of whether the client has been homeless in the 4 weeks prior to the current service episode.

**Field name:** homelessness

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	1:	Sleeping rough or in non-conventional accommodation
	2:	Short-term or emergency accommodation
	3:	Not homeless
	9:	Not stated / Missing

### 1 - Sleeping rough or in non-conventional accommodation

Includes sleeping on the streets, in a park, in cars or railway carriages, under bridges or other similar 'rough' accommodation

### 2 - Short-term or emergency accommodation

Includes sleeping in short-term accommodation, emergency accommodation, due to a lack of other options. This may include refuges; crisis shelters; couch surfing; living temporarily with friends and relatives; insecure accommodation on a short term basis; emergency accommodation arranged in hotels, motels etc by a specialist homelessness agency.

### 3 - Not homeless

**Notes:** Includes sleeping in own accommodation/rental accommodation or living with friends or relatives on a stable, long term basis

### 9 - Not stated / Missing

Not stated / Missing

Select the code that best fits the client's sleeping arrangements over the preceding 4 weeks. Where multiple options apply (e.g., client has experienced more than one of the sleeping arrangements over the previous 4 weeks) the following coding hierarchy should be followed:

- If code 1 applied at any time over the 4 week period, code 1
- If code 2 but not code 1 applied at any time over the 4 week period, code 2
- Otherwise Code 3 applies

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## 3.4.24. Episode Key

This is a number or code assigned to each episode. The Episode Key is unique and stable for each episode at the level of the Provider Organisation.

**Field name:** episode\_key

**Data type:** string (2,50)

**Required:** yes

Episode Keys must be generated by the organisation to be unique at the Provider Organisation level and must persist across time. Creation of episode keys in this way allows clients to be merged (where duplicate Client Keys have been identified) without having to re-allocate episode identifiers since they can never clash. See [Managing Episode Keys](#)

**Notes:**

Episode Keys are case sensitive and must be valid unicode characters.

A recommended approach for the creation of Episode Keys is to compute [random UUIDs](#).

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### 3.4.25. Episode - Labour Force Status

The self-reported status the person currently has in being either in the labour force (employed/unemployed) or not in the labour force, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** labour\_force\_status

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: Employed

2: Unemployed

**Domain:** 3: Not in the Labour Force

9: Not stated/inadequately described

## 1 - Employed

Employed persons are those aged 15 years and over who met one of the following criteria during the reference week:

- Worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind, in a job or business or on a farm (employees and owner managers of incorporated or unincorporated enterprises).
- Worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (contributing family workers).
- Were employees who had a job but were not at work and were:
  - away from work for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; or
  - away from work for more than four weeks up to the end of the reference week and
  - received pay for some or all of the four week period to the end of the reference week; or
  - away from work as a standard work or shift arrangement; or
  - on strike or locked out; or
  - on workers' compensation and expected to return to their job.
- Were owner managers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

Notes:

## 2 - Unemployed

Unemployed persons are those aged 15 years and over who were not employed during the reference week, and:

- had actively looked for full time or part time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week and were available for work in the reference week; or
- were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and could have started in the reference week if the job had been available then.

Actively looked for work includes:

- written, telephoned or applied to an employer for work;
- had an interview with an employer for work;
- answered an advertisement for a job;
- checked or registered with a Job Services Australia provider or any other employment agency;
- taken steps to purchase or start your own business;
- advertised or tendered for work; and
- contacted friends or relatives in order to obtain work.



### 3 - Not in the labour force

Persons not in the labour force are those aged 15 years and over who were not in the categories employed or unemployed, as defined, during the reference week. They include people who undertook unpaid household duties or other voluntary work only, were retired, voluntarily inactive and those permanently unable to work.

### 9 - Not stated/inadequately described

Includes children under 15 (0-14 years)

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## 3.4.26. Episode - Marital Status

A person's current relationship status in terms of a couple relationship or, for those not in a couple relationship, the existence of a current or previous registered marriage, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** marital\_status

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

	1:	Never married
	2:	Widowed
	3:	Divorced
<b>Domain:</b>	4:	Separated
	5:	Married (registered and de facto)
	6:	Not stated/inadequately described

Refers to the current marital status of a person.

## 2 - Widowed

This code usually refers to registered marriages but when self-reported may also refer to de facto marriages.

## 4 - Separated

This code refers to registered marriages but when self-reported may also refer to de facto marriages.

Notes:

## 5 - Married (registered and de facto)

Includes people who have been divorced or widowed but have since re-married, and should be generally accepted as applicable to all de facto couples, including of the same sex.

## 6 - Not stated/inadequately described

This code is not for use on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

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### 3.4.27. Episode - Medication - Antidepressants (N06A)

Whether the client is taking prescribed antidepressants for a mental health condition as assessed at intake assessment, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** medication\_antidepressants

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: Yes
- 2: No
- 9: Unknown

**Notes:**

The N06A class of drugs a therapeutic subgroup of the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical Classification System, a system of alphanumeric codes developed by the World Health Organisation (WHO) for the classification of drugs and other medical products. It covers drugs designed for the depressive disorders.

Details of drugs included in the category can be found here: [http://www.whocc.no/atc\\_ddd\\_index/?code=N06A](http://www.whocc.no/atc_ddd_index/?code=N06A)

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### 3.4.28. Episode - Medication - Antipsychotics (N05A)

Whether the client is taking prescribed antipsychotics for a mental health condition as assessed at intake assessment, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** medication\_antipsychotics

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

1:	Yes
2:	No
9:	Unknown

**Notes:** The N05A class of drugs a therapeutic subgroup of the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical Classification System, a system of alphanumeric codes developed by the World Health Organisation (WHO) for the classification of drugs and other medical products. It covers drugs designed for the treatment of psychotic disorders.

Details of drugs included in the category can be found here: [http://www.whocc.no/atc\\_ddd\\_index/?code=N05A](http://www.whocc.no/atc_ddd_index/?code=N05A)

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### 3.4.29. Episode - Medication - Anxiolytics (N05B)

Whether the client is taking prescribed anxiolytics for a mental health condition as assessed at intake assessment, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** medication\_anxiolytics

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

1:	Yes
2:	No
9:	Unknown

**Notes:** The N05B class of drugs a therapeutic subgroup of the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical Classification System, a system of alphanumeric codes developed by the World Health Organisation (WHO) for the classification of drugs and other medical products. It covers drugs designed for the treatment of disorders associated with anxiety and tension.

Details of drugs included in the category can be found here: [http://www.whocc.no/atc\\_ddd\\_index/?code=N05B](http://www.whocc.no/atc_ddd_index/?code=N05B)

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### 3.4.30. Episode - Medication - Hypnotics and sedatives (N05C)

Whether the client is taking prescribed hypnotics and sedatives for a mental health condition as assessed at intake assessment, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** medication\_hypnotics

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: Yes
- 2: No
- 9: Unknown

**Notes:** The N05C class of drugs a therapeutic subgroup of the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical Classification System, a system of alphanumeric codes developed by the World Health Organisation (WHO) for the classification of drugs and other medical products. It covers drugs designed to have mainly sedative or hypnotic actions. Hypnotic drugs are used to induce sleep and treat severe insomnia. Sedative drugs are prescribed to reduce excitability or anxiety.

Details of drugs included in the category can be found here: [http://www.whocc.no/atc\\_ddd\\_index/?code=N05C](http://www.whocc.no/atc_ddd_index/?code=N05C)

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### 3.4.31. Episode - Medication - Psychostimulants and nootropics (N06B)

Whether the client is taking prescribed psychostimulants and nootropics for a mental health condition as assessed at intake assessment, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** medication\_psychostimulants

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: Yes
- 2: No
- 9: Unknown

**Notes:** The N06B class of drugs a therapeutic subgroup of the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical Classification System, a system of alphanumeric codes developed by the World Health Organisation (WHO) for the classification of drugs and other medical products. It covers drugs designed to attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and to improve impaired cognitive abilities.

Details of drugs included in the category can be found here: [http://www.whocc.no/atc\\_ddd\\_index/?code=N06B](http://www.whocc.no/atc_ddd_index/?code=N06B)

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### 3.4.32. Episode - NDIS Participant

Is the client a participant in the National Disability Insurance Scheme?, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** ndis\_participant

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: Yes

**Domain:** 2: No

9: Not stated/inadequately described

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### 3.4.33. Episode - Principal Diagnosis

The Principal Diagnosis is the diagnosis established after study to be chiefly responsible for occasioning the client's care during the current Episode of Care.

**Field name:** principal\_diagnosis

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 100: Anxiety disorders (ATAPS)
- 101: Panic disorder
- 102: Agoraphobia
- 103: Social phobia
- 104: Generalised anxiety disorder
- 105: Obsessive-compulsive disorder
- 106: Post-traumatic stress disorder
- 107: Acute stress disorder
- 108: Other anxiety disorder
- 200: Affective (Mood) disorders (ATAPS)
- 201: Major depressive disorder
- 202: Dysthymia
- 203: Depressive disorder NOS
- 204: Bipolar disorder
- 205: Cyclothymic disorder
- 206: Other affective disorder
- 300: Substance use disorders (ATAPS)
- 301: Alcohol harmful use
- 302: Alcohol dependence
- 303: Other drug harmful use
- 304: Other drug dependence
- 305: Other substance use disorder
- 400: Psychotic disorders (ATAPS)
- 401: Schizophrenia
- 402: Schizoaffective disorder
- 403: Brief psychotic disorder
- 404: Other psychotic disorder
- 501: Separation anxiety disorder
- 502: Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
- 503: Conduct disorder
- 504: Oppositional defiant disorder
- 505: Pervasive developmental disorder
- 506: Other disorder of childhood and adolescence

601:	Adjustment disorder
602:	Eating disorder
603:	Somatoform disorder
604:	Personality disorder
605:	Other mental disorder
901:	Anxiety symptoms
902:	Depressive symptoms
903:	Mixed anxiety and depressive symptoms
904:	Stress related
905:	Other
999:	Missing

Diagnoses are grouped into 8 major categories (9 for Additional Diagnosis):

- 000 - No additional diagnosis (Additional Diagnosis only)
- 1xx - Anxiety disorders
- 2xx - Affective (Mood) disorders
- 3xx - Substance use disorders
- 4xx - Psychotic disorders
- 5xx - Disorders with onset usually occurring in childhood and adolescence not listed elsewhere
- 6xx - Other mental disorders
- 9xx except 999 - No formal mental disorder but subsyndromal problems
- 999 - Missing or Unknown

The Principal Diagnosis should be determined by the treating or supervising clinical practitioner who is responsible for providing, or overseeing, services delivered to the client during their current episode of care. Each episode of care must have a Principal Diagnosis recorded and may have an Additional Diagnoses. In some instances the client's Principal Diagnosis may not be clear at initial contact and require a period of contact before a reliable diagnosis can be made. If a client has more than one diagnosis, the Principal Diagnosis should reflect the main presenting problem. Any secondary diagnosis should be recorded under the Additional Diagnosis field.

**Notes:**

The coding options developed for the PMHC MDS have been selected to balance comprehensiveness and brevity. They comprise a mix of the most prevalent mental disorders in the Australian adult, child and adolescent population, supplemented by less prevalent conditions that may be experienced by clients of PHN-commissioned mental health services. The diagnosis options are based on an abbreviated set of clinical terms and groupings specified in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders Fourth Edition (DSM-IV-TR). These code list summarises the approximate 300 unique mental health disorder codes in the full DSM-IV to a set of 9 major categories, and 37 individual codes. Diagnoses are grouped under higher level categories, based on the DSM-IV. Code numbers have been assigned specifically for the PMHC MDS to create a logical ordering but are capable of being mapped to both DSM-IV and ICD-10 codes.

Options for recording Principal Diagnosis include the broad category 'No formal mental disorder but subsyndromal problems' (codes commencing with 9). These codes should be used for clients who present with problems that do not meet threshold criteria for a formal diagnosis - for example, people experiencing subsyndromal symptoms who may be at risk of progressing to a more severe symptom level.

Each category has a final entry for capturing other conditions that don't meet the more specific entries in the category. This includes the 'No formal mental disorder but subsyndromal problems' category. Code 905 ('Other symptoms') can be used to capture situations where a formal mental disorder has not been diagnosed, but the symptoms do not fall under the more specific 9XX series entries. The 905 code should not be used where there is a formal but unlisted mental disorder. In such a situation code 605 ('Other mental disorder') should be used.

Reference: Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition, Text Revision. Copyright 2000 American Psychiatric Association.

The following responses have been added to allow mapping of ATAPS data to PMHC format.

- 100: Anxiety disorders (ATAPS)
- 200: Affective (Mood) disorders (ATAPS)
- 300: Substance use disorders (ATAPS)
- 400: Psychotic disorders (ATAPS)



*Note: These four codes should only be used for Episodes that are migrated from ATAPS MDS sources that cannot be described by any other Diagnosis. It is expected that the majority of Episodes delivered to clients from 1st July, 2017 can be assigned to other diagnoses.*

These responses will only be allowed on episodes where the original ATAPS referral date was before 1 July 2017

These responses will only be allowed on episodes with the !ATAPS flag.

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### 3.4.34. Episode - Principal Focus of Treatment Plan

The range of activities that best describes the overall services intended to be delivered to the client throughout the course of the episode. For most clients, this will equate to the activities that account for most time spent by the service provider.

**Field name:** principal\_focus

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

- 1: Psychological therapy
- 2: Low intensity psychological intervention
- 3: Clinical care coordination
- 4: Complex care package
- 5: Child and youth-specific mental health services
- 6: Indigenous-specific mental health services
- 7: Other
- 8: Psychosocial Support

**Domain:**

Describes the main focus of the services to be delivered to the client for the current Episode of Care, selected from a defined list of categories.

Service providers are required to report on the 'Principal Focus of Treatment Plan' for all accepted referrals. This requires a judgement to be made about the main focus of the services to be delivered to the client for the current Episode of Care, made following initial assessment and modifiable at a later stage. It is chosen from a defined list of categories, with the provider required to select the category that best fits the treatment plan designed for the client.

Principal Focus of Treatment Plan is necessarily a judgement made by the provider at the outset of service delivery but consistent with good practice, should be made on the basis of a treatment plan developed in collaboration with the client. It should not be confused with Service Type which is collected at each Service Contact.

## **1 - Psychological therapy**

The treatment plan for the client is primarily based around the delivery of psychological therapy by one or more mental health professionals. This category most closely matches the type of services delivered under the previous ATAPS program where up to 12 individual treatment sessions, and 18 in exceptional circumstances, could be provided. These sessions could be supplemented by up to 10 group-based sessions.

The concept of 'mental health professionals' has a specific meaning defined in the various guidance documentation prepared to support PHNs in implementation of reforms. It refers to service providers who meet the requirements for registration, credentialing or recognition as a qualified mental health professional and includes:

### **Notes:**

- Psychiatrists
- Registered Psychologists
- Clinical Psychologists
- Mental Health Nurses;
- Occupational Therapists;
- Social Workers
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers.

## **2 - Low intensity psychological intervention**

The treatment plan for the client is primarily based around delivery of time-limited, structured psychological interventions that are aimed at providing a less costly intervention alternative to 'standard' psychological therapy. The essence of low intensity interventions is that they utilise nil or relatively little qualified mental health professional time and are targeted at people with, or at risk of, mild mental illness. Low intensity episodes can be delivered through a range of mechanisms including:

- use of individuals with appropriate competencies but who do not meet the requirements for registration, credentialing or recognition as a mental health professional;
- delivery of services principally through group-based programs; and
- delivery of brief or low cost forms of treatment by mental health professionals.

### **3 - Clinical care coordination**

The treatment plan for the client is primarily based around delivery of a range of services where the overarching aim is to coordinate and better integrate care for the individual across multiple providers with the aim of improving clinical outcomes. Consultation and liaison may occur with primary health care providers, acute health, emergency services, rehabilitation and support services or other agencies that have some level of responsibility for the client's clinical outcomes. These clinical care coordination and liaison activities are expected to account for a significant proportion of service contacts delivered throughout these episodes.

Activities focused on working in partnership and liaison with other health care and service providers and other individuals to coordinate and integrate service delivery to the client with the aim of improving their clinical outcomes. Consultation and liaison may occur with primary health care providers, acute health, emergency services, rehabilitation and support services, family, friends, other support people and carers and other agencies that have some level of responsibility for the client's treatment and/or well-being.

### **4 - Complex Care Package**

The treatment plan for the client is primarily based around the delivery of an individually tailored 'package' of services for a client with severe and complex mental illness who is being managed principally within a primary care setting. The overarching requirement is that the client receives an individually tailored 'package' of services that bundles a range of services that extends beyond 'standard' service delivery and which is funded through innovative, non-standard funding models.

Note: As outlined in the relevant guidance documentation, only three selected PHN Lead Sites with responsibilities for trialling work in this area are expected to deliver complex care packages. A wider roll-out may be undertaken in the future pending results of the trial.

### **5 - Child and youth-specific mental health services**

The treatment plan for the client is primarily based around the delivery of a range of services for children (0-11 years) or youth (aged 12-24 years) who present with a mental illness, or are at risk of mental illness. These episodes are characterised by services that are designed specifically for children and young people, include a broader range of both clinical and non-clinical services and may include a significant component of clinical care coordination and liaison. Child and youth-specific mental health episodes have substantial flexibility in types of services actually delivered.

### **6 - Indigenous-specific services**

The treatment plan for the client is primarily based around delivery of mental health services that are specifically designed to provide culturally appropriate services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

### **7 - Other**

The treatment plan for the client is primarily based around services that cannot be described by other categories.

## 8 - Psychosocial support

Episodes of care should be classified as Psychosocial Support (code 8) where the treatment plan for the client is primarily based around the delivery of psychosocial support services. Psychosocial support services are defined for PMHC MDS purposes as services that focus on building capacity and stability in one or more of the following areas:

- social skills and friendships, family connections;
- managing daily living needs;
- financial management and budgeting;
- finding and maintaining a home;
- vocational skills and goals, including volunteering;
- educational and training goals;
- maintaining physical wellbeing, including exercise;
- building broader life skills including confidence and resilience.

These services are usually delivered by a range of non-clinical providers including peer support workers with lived experience of mental illness

Services delivered to clients receiving episodes of care classified as Psychosocial Support may receive the full range of services as described in the Service Contact Type data item, for example, assessment, care coordination and so forth. However, in general, where the Principal Focus of Treatment Plan is coded as Psychosocial Support there should be an expectation that the majority of services provided will be of a psychosocial support nature. Further details on the relationship between the episode of care concept and service contacts is available at <https://docs.pmhc-mds.com/faqs/concepts-processes/data-definitions.html#episode-one-at-a-time>

PHNs may wish to advise specific commissioned organisations solely funded from their Psychosocial Support Schedule that all episodes of care should be coded as Psychosocial Support, or leave it to the discretion of service providers.

Clients who are recorded as NDIS recipients would not usually be recorded as receiving a Psychosocial Support episode of care. The National Psychosocial Support guidance material states explicitly that these services are designed for individuals who have significant psychosocial disability but do not meet NDIS eligibility criteria.

Episodes of care delivered to individuals who are recorded as Continuity of Support clients (see below) may be reported as Psychosocial Support.

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### 3.4.35. Episode - Referral Date

The date the referrer made the referral.

**Field name:** referral\_date

**Data type:** date

**Required:** no

For Date fields, data must be recorded in compliance with the standard format used across the National Health Data Dictionary; specifically, dates must be of fixed 8 column width in the format DDMMYYYY, with leading zeros used when necessary to pad out a value. For instance, 13th March 2008 would appear as 13032008.

**Notes:**

- The referral date must not be before 1st January 2014.
- The referral date must not be in the future.

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### 3.4.36. Episode - Referrer Organisation Type

Type of organisation in which the referring professional is based.

**Field name:** referrer\_organisation\_type

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	1:	General Practice
	2:	Medical Specialist Consulting Rooms
	3:	Private practice
	4:	Public mental health service
	5:	Public Hospital
	6:	Private Hospital
	7:	Emergency Department
	8:	Community Health Centre
	9:	Drug and Alcohol Service
	10:	Community Support Organisation NFP
	11:	Indigenous Health Organisation
	12:	Child and Maternal Health
	13:	Nursing Service
	14:	Telephone helpline
	15:	Digital health service
	16:	Family Support Service
	17:	School
	18:	Tertiary Education institution
	19:	Housing service
	20:	Centrelink
	21:	Other
	98:	N/A - Self referral
	99:	Not stated

Medical Specialist Consulting Rooms includes private medical practitioner rooms in public or private hospital or other settings.

**Notes:** Public mental health service refers to a state- or territory-funded specialised mental health services (i.e., specialised mental health care delivered in public acute and psychiatric hospital settings, community mental health care services, and s specialised residential mental health care services).

Not applicable should only be selected in instances of Self referral.

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### 3.4.37. Episode - Referrer Profession

Profession of the provider who referred the client.

**Field name:** referrer\_profession

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: General Practitioner
- 2: Psychiatrist
- 3: Obstetrician
- 4: Paediatrician
- 5: Other Medical Specialist
- 6: Midwife
- 7: Maternal Health Nurse
- 8: Psychologist
- 9: Mental Health Nurse
- 10: Social Worker
- 11: Occupational therapist
- 12: Aboriginal Health Worker
- 13: Educational professional
- 14: Early childhood service worker
- 15: Other
- 98: N/A - Self referral
- 99: Not stated

**Notes:**

New arrangements for some services delivered in primary mental health care allows clients to refer themselves for treatment. Therefore, 'Self' is a response option included within 'Referrer profession'.

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### 3.4.38. Episode - Source of Cash Income

The source from which a person derives the greatest proportion of his/her income, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** income\_source

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	0:	N/A - Client aged less than 16 years
	1:	Disability Support Pension
	2:	Other pension or benefit (not superannuation)
	3:	Paid employment
	4:	Compensation payments
	5:	Other (e.g. superannuation, investments etc.)
	6:	Nil income
	7:	Not known
	9:	Not stated/inadequately described

This data standard is not applicable to person's aged less than 16 years.

This item refers to the source by which a person derives most (equal to or greater than 50%) of his/her income. If the person has multiple sources of income and none are equal to or greater than 50%, the one which contributes the largest percentage should be counted.

**Notes:**

This item refers to a person's own main source of income, not that of a partner or of other household members. If it is difficult to determine a 'main source of income' over the reporting period (i.e. it may vary over time) please report the main source of income during the reference week.

Code 7 'Not known' should only be recorded when it has not been possible for the service user or their carer/family/advocate to provide the information (i.e. they have been asked but do not know).

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### 3.4.39. Episode - Suicide Referral Flag

Identifies those individuals where a recent history of suicide attempt, or suicide risk, was a factor noted in the referral that underpinned the person's needs for assistance at entry to the episode, as represented by a code.

Field name:	suicide_referral_flag
Data type:	string
Required:	yes
Domain:	1: Yes
	2: No
	9: Unknown

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### 3.4.40. Episode - Tags

List of tags for the episode.



**Field name:** episode\_tags

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no

A comma separated list of tags.

Organisations can use this field to tag records in order to partition them as per local requirements.

**Notes:** Tags can contain lower case letters (or will get lowercased), numbers, dashes, spaces, and `!`. Leading and trailing spaces will be stripped. e.g. `priority!, nurse required, pending-outcome-1` would all be legitimate.

Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department. e.g. `!reserved, ! reserved, !department-use-only`.

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### 3.4.41. Key

A metadata key name.

**Field name:** key

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

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### 3.4.42. K5 - Question 1

In the last 4 weeks, about how often did you feel nervous?

**Field name:** k5\_item1

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: None of the time

2: A little of the time

3: Some of the time

**Domain:** 4: Most of the time

5: All of the time

9: Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

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### 3.4.43. K5 - Question 2

In the last 4 weeks, about how often did you feel without hope?

**Field name:** k5\_item2

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: None of the time

2: A little of the time

3: Some of the time

**Domain:** 4: Most of the time

5: All of the time

9: Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

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### 3.4.44. K5 - Question 3

In the last 4 weeks, about how often did you feel restless or jumpy?

**Field name:** k5\_item3

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: None of the time

2: A little of the time

3: Some of the time

**Domain:** 4: Most of the time

5: All of the time

9: Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

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### 3.4.45. K5 - Question 4

In the last 4 weeks, about how often did you feel everything was an effort?

**Field name:** k5\_item4

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: None of the time

2: A little of the time

3: Some of the time

**Domain:** 4: Most of the time

5: All of the time

9: Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

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### 3.4.46. K5 - Question 5

In the last 4 weeks, about how often did you feel so sad that nothing could cheer you up?

**Field name:** k5\_item5

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: None of the time

2: A little of the time

3: Some of the time

**Domain:** 4: Most of the time

5: All of the time

9: Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

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### 3.4.47. K5 - Score

The overall K5 score.

**Field name:** k5\_score

**Data type:** integer

**Required:** yes

**Domain:** 5 - 25, 99 = Not stated / Missing

The K5 Total score is based on the sum of K5 item 1 through 5 (range: 5-25).

**Notes:** The Total score is computed as the sum of the item scores. If any item has not been completed (that is, has not been coded 1, 2, 3, 4, 5), it is excluded from the calculation and not counted as a valid item. If any item is missing, the Total Score is set as missing.

For the Total score, the missing value used should be 99.

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'

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### 3.4.48. K5 - Tags

List of tags for the collection occasion.

**Field name:** k5\_tags

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no

A comma separated list of tags.

Organisations can use this field to tag records in order to partition them as per local requirements.

**Notes:** Tags can contain lower case letters (or will get lowercased), numbers, dashes, spaces, and !. Leading and trailing spaces will be stripped. e.g. priority!, nurse required, pending-outcome-1 would all be legitimate.

Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department. e.g. !reserved, ! reserved, !department-use-only.

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### 3.4.49. K10+ - Question 1

In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel tired out for no good reason?

**Field name:** k10p\_item1

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>1:</b>	None of the time
	<b>2:</b>	A little of the time
	<b>3:</b>	Some of the time
	<b>4:</b>	Most of the time
	<b>5:</b>	All of the time
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.50. K10+ - Question 2

In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel nervous?

**Field name:** k10p\_item2

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>1:</b>	None of the time
	<b>2:</b>	A little of the time
	<b>3:</b>	Some of the time
	<b>4:</b>	Most of the time
	<b>5:</b>	All of the time
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.51. K10+ - Question 3

In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel so nervous that nothing could calm you down?

**Field name:** k10p\_item3

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>1:</b>	None of the time
	<b>2:</b>	A little of the time
	<b>3:</b>	Some of the time
	<b>4:</b>	Most of the time
	<b>5:</b>	All of the time
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.52. K10+ - Question 4

In the past 4 weeks, how often did you feel hopeless?

**Field name:** k10p\_item4

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>1:</b>	None of the time
	<b>2:</b>	A little of the time
	<b>3:</b>	Some of the time
	<b>4:</b>	Most of the time
	<b>5:</b>	All of the time
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.53. K10+ - Question 5

In the past 4 weeks, how often did you feel restless or fidgety?

**Field name:** k10p\_item5

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	1:	None of the time
	2:	A little of the time
	3:	Some of the time
	4:	Most of the time
	5:	All of the time
	9:	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.54. K10+ - Question 6

In the past 4 weeks, how often did you feel so restless you could not sit still?

**Field name:** k10p\_item6

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	1:	None of the time
	2:	A little of the time
	3:	Some of the time
	4:	Most of the time
	5:	All of the time
	9:	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.55. K10+ - Question 7

In the past 4 weeks, how often did you feel depressed?

**Field name:** k10p\_item7

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>1:</b>	None of the time
	<b>2:</b>	A little of the time
	<b>3:</b>	Some of the time
	<b>4:</b>	Most of the time
	<b>5:</b>	All of the time
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.56. K10+ - Question 8

In the past 4 weeks, how often did you feel that everything was an effort?

**Field name:** k10p\_item8

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>1:</b>	None of the time
	<b>2:</b>	A little of the time
	<b>3:</b>	Some of the time
	<b>4:</b>	Most of the time
	<b>5:</b>	All of the time
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.57. K10+ - Question 9

In the past 4 weeks, how often did you feel so sad that nothing could cheer you up?

**Field name:** k10p\_item9

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes



<b>Domain:</b>	1:	None of the time
	2:	A little of the time
	3:	Some of the time
	4:	Most of the time
	5:	All of the time
	9:	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.58. K10+ - Question 10

In the past 4 weeks, how often did you feel worthless?

**Field name:** k10p\_item10

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	1:	None of the time
	2:	A little of the time
	3:	Some of the time
	4:	Most of the time
	5:	All of the time
	9:	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When reporting total score use '9 - Not stated / Missing'

### 3.4.59. K10+ - Question 11

In the past four weeks, how many days were you totally unable to work, study or manage your day to day activities because of these feelings?

**Field name:** k10p\_item11

**Data type:** integer

**Required:** yes

**Domain:** 0 - 28, 99 = Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When the client's responses to Q1-10 are all recorded as 1 'None of the time', they are not required to answer questions 11-14. Where this question has not been answered a response of '99 - Not stated / Missing' should be selected.

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### 3.4.60. K10+ - Question 12

Aside from those days, in the past four weeks, how many days were you able to work or study or manage your day to day activities, but had to cut down on what you did because of these feelings?

**Field name:** k10p\_item12

**Data type:** integer

**Required:** yes

**Domain:** 0 - 28, 99 = Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When the client's responses to Q1-10 are all recorded as 1 'None of the time', they are not required to answer questions 11-14. Where this question has not been answered a response of '99 - Not stated / Missing' should be selected.

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### 3.4.61. K10+ - Question 13

In the past four weeks, how many times have you seen a doctor or any other health professional about these feelings?

**Field name:** k10p\_item13

**Data type:** integer

**Required:** yes

**Domain:** 0 - 89, 99 = Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When the client's responses to Q1-10 are all recorded as 1 'None of the time', they are not required to answer questions 11-14. Where this question has not been answered a response of '99 - Not stated / Missing' should be selected.

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### 3.4.62. K10+ - Question 14

In the past four weeks, how often have physical health problems been the main cause of these feelings?

**Field name:** k10p\_item14

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>1:</b>	None of the time
	<b>2:</b>	A little of the time
	<b>3:</b>	Some of the time
	<b>4:</b>	Most of the time
	<b>5:</b>	All of the time
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** When the client's responses to Q1-10 are all recorded as 1 'None of the time', they are not required to answer questions 11-14. Where this question has not been answered a response of '99 - Not stated / Missing' should be selected.

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### 3.4.63. K10+ - Score

The overall K10 score.

**Field name:** k10p\_score

**Data type:** integer

**Required:** yes

**Domain:** 10 - 50, 99 = Not stated / Missing

The K10 Total score is based on the sum of K10 item 01 through 10 (range: 10-50). Items 11 through 14 are excluded from the total because they are separate measures of disability associated with the problems referred to in the preceding ten items.

**Notes:** The Total score is computed as the sum of the scores for items 1 to 10. If any item has not been completed (that is, has not been coded 1, 2, 3, 4, 5), it is excluded from the total with the proviso that a completed K10 with more than one missing item is regarded as invalid.

If more than one item of items 1 to 10 are missing, the Total Score is set as missing. Where this is the case, the missing value used should be 99.

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.64. K10+ - Tags

List of tags for the collection occasion.

**Field name:** k10p\_tags

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no

A comma separated list of tags.

Organisations can use this field to tag records in order to partition them as per local requirements.

**Notes:** Tags can contain lower case letters (or will get lowercased), numbers, dashes, spaces, and `!`. Leading and trailing spaces will be stripped. e.g. `priority!, nurse required, pending-outcome-1` would all be legitimate.

Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department. e.g. `!reserved, ! reserved, !department-use-only`.

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### 3.4.65. Organisation Key

A sequence of characters which uniquely identifies the provider organisation to the Primary Health Network. Assigned by the Primary Health Network.

**Field name:** organisation\_key

**Data type:** string (2,50)

**Required:** yes

**Notes:** Organisation Keys must be generated by the PHN to be unique and must persist across time. See [Managing Provider Organisation Keys](#)

Organisation keys are case sensitive and must be valid unicode characters.

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### 3.4.66. Organisation Path

A sequence of colon separated Organisation Keys that fully specifies the Provider Organisation providing a service to the client.

**Field name:** organisation\_path

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

A combination of the Primary Health Network's (PHN's) Organisation Key and the Provider Organisation's Organisation Key separated by a colon.

Here is an example organisation structure showing the Organisation Path for each organisation:

Notes:	Organisation Key	Organisation Name	Organisation Type	Parent Organisation	Organisation Path
	PHN999	Test PHN	Primary Health Network	None	PHN999
	PO101	Test Provider Organisation	Private Allied Health Professional Practice	PHN999	PHN999:PO101

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### 3.4.67. Practitioner - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status

Whether a person identifies as being of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** practitioner\_atSI\_status

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin
- 2: Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin
- 3: Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin
- 4: Neither Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin
- 9: Not stated/inadequately described

**Code 9 is not to be available as a valid answer to the questions but is**

intended for use:

**Notes:**

- Primarily when importing data from other data collections that do not contain mappable data.
- Where an answer was refused.
- Where the question was not able to be asked prior to completion of assistance because the client was unable to communicate or a person who knows the client was not available.

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### 3.4.68. Practitioner - Active

A flag to represent whether a practitioner is actively delivering services. This is a system field that is aimed at helping organisations manage practitioner codes.

**Field name:** practitioner\_active

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Inactive
1:	Active

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### 3.4.69. Practitioner - ATSI Cultural Training

Indicates whether a practitioner has completed a recognised training programme in the delivery of culturally safe services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

**Field name:** atsi\_cultural\_training

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

1:	Yes
2:	No
3:	Not required
9:	Missing / Not recorded

This item is reported by the practitioner and applies to service providers who are either:

- not of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status; or
- are not employed by an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service.

**1 - Yes**

The practitioner has:

- undertaken specific training in the delivery of culturally appropriate mental health /health services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. As a guide, recognised training programs include those endorsed by the Australian Indigenous Psychologists' Association (AIPA) or similar organisation; or
- undertaken local cultural awareness training in the community in which they are practising, as delivered or endorsed by the elders of that community or the local Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service.

**Notes:**

**2 - No**

The practitioner has not met the requirements stated above.

**3 - Not required**

This option is reserved only for practitioners who are of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent, or employed by an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service.

**4 - Missing/Not recorded**

This is a system code for missing data and not a valid response option for practitioners.

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### **3.4.70. Practitioner - Category**

The type or category of the practitioner, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** practitioner\_category

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	1:	Clinical Psychologist
	2:	General Psychologist
	3:	Social Worker
	4:	Occupational Therapist
	5:	Mental Health Nurse
	6:	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health/Mental Health Worker
	7:	Low Intensity Mental Health Worker
	8:	General Practitioner
	9:	Psychiatrist
	10:	Other Medical
	11:	Other
	12:	Psychosocial Support Worker
	13:	Peer Support Worker
	99:	Not stated

Practitioner category refers to the labour classification of the service provider delivering the Service Contact. Practitioners should be assigned to the code that best describes their role for which they are engaged to deliver services to clients. Practitioners are registered in the PMHC MDS by Provider Organisations, with each practitioner assigned a code that is unique within the organisation.

In most cases, Practitioner Category will be determined by the training and qualifications of the practitioner. However, in some instances, a practitioner may be employed in a capacity that does not necessarily reflect their formal qualifications. For example, a person with a social work qualification may be employed primarily as a peer support worker on the basis of their lived experience of a mental illness. In such instances, the practitioner should be classified as a peer support worker.

#### 12 - Psychosocial Support Worker

**Notes:** Refers to practitioners who are principally employed to provide psychosocial support services to clients where the practitioner has specific training in the area (e.g., Cert 4 qualification) and cannot be better described by another category.

#### 13 - Peer Support Worker

Refers to practitioners who are principally employed to provide support to clients on the basis of the practitioner's lived experience of mental illness.

#### Changes in effect from 1 January 2019

- Two new codes have been added to the existing Practitioner Category data item, to allow for Psychosocial Support Workers (new code 12) and Peer Support Workers (new code 13) who are typically employed in psychosocial support programs.
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### 3.4.71. Practitioner - Gender

The term 'gender' refers to the way in which a person identifies their masculine or feminine characteristics. A persons gender relates to their deeply held internal and individual sense of gender and is not always exclusively male or female. It may or may not correspond to their sex assigned at birth.

**Field name:** practitioner\_gender

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

0: Not stated/Inadequately described

1: Male

**Domain:** 2: Female

3: Other

**ABS:** <http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1200.0.55.012Main%20Features12016?opendocument&tabname=Summary&prodno=1200.0.55.012&issue=2016&nu>

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### 3.4.72. Practitioner Key

A unique identifier for a practitioner within the responsible provider organisation. Assigned by either the PHN or Provider Organisation depending on local procedures.

**Field name:** practitioner\_key

**Data type:** string (2,50)

**Required:** yes

**Notes:** Practitioner Keys must be generated by the organisation to be unique at the Provider Organisation level and must persist across time. See [Managing Practitioner Keys](#)

Practitioner Keys are case sensitive and must be valid unicode characters.

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### 3.4.73. Practitioner - Tags

List of tags for the practitioner.

**Field name:** practitioner\_tags

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no

A comma separated list of tags.

Organisations can use this field to tag records in order to partition them as per local requirements.

**Notes:** Tags can contain lower case letters (or will get lowercased), numbers, dashes, spaces, and `!`. Leading and trailing spaces will be stripped. e.g. `priority!, nurse required, pending-outcome-1` would all be legitimate.

Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department. e.g. `!reserved, ! reserved, !department-use-only`.

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### 3.4.74. Practitioner - Year of Birth

The year the practitioner was born.

**Field name:** practitioner\_year\_of\_birth

**Data type:** gYear

**Required:** yes

**Domain:** gYear

- The year of birth must not be in the future.
- The year of birth must be after 1900.
- If the year of birth is unknown, the following approaches should be used:

**Notes:**

- If the age of the practitioner is known, the age should be used to derive the year of birth
- If the age of the practitioner is unknown, an estimated age of the practitioner should be used to estimate a year of birth
- If the date of birth is totally unknown, use 9999.

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### 3.4.75. Provider Organisation - ABN

The Australian Business Number of the provider organisation.

**Field name:** organisation\_abn

**Data type:** string (11)

**Required:** yes

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### 3.4.76. Provider Organisation - End Date

The date on which a provider organisation stopped delivering services.

**Field name:** organisation\_end\_date

**Data type:** date

**Required:** yes

For Date fields, data must be recorded in compliance with the standard format used across the National Health Data Dictionary; specifically, dates must be of fixed 8 column width in the format DDMMYYYY, with leading zeros used when necessary to pad out a value. For instance, 13th March 2008 would appear as 13032008.

**Notes:**

- If the organisation end date is unknown, use 09099999.

For validation rules please refer to [Organisation](#).

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### 3.4.77. Provider Organisation - Legal Name

The legal name of the provider organisation.

**Field name:** organisation\_legal\_name

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no

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### 3.4.78. Provider Organisation - Name

The name of the provider organisation.

**Field name:** organisation\_name

**Data type:** string (2,100)

**Required:** yes

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### 3.4.79. Provider Organisation - Start Date

The date on which a provider organisation started delivering services.

**Field name:** organisation\_start\_date

**Data type:** date

**Required:** yes

**Notes:**

For Date fields, data must be recorded in compliance with the standard format used across the National Health Data Dictionary; specifically, dates must be of fixed 8 column width in the format DDMMYYYY, with leading zeros used when necessary to pad out a value. For instance, 13th March 2008 would appear as 13032008.

For validation rules please refer to [Organisation](#).

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### 3.4.80. Provider Organisation - State

The state that the provider organisation operates in.

**Field name:** organisation\_state

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: New South Wales
- 2: Victoria
- 3: Queensland
- 4: South Australia
- 5: Western Australia
- 6: Tasmania
- 7: Northern Territory
- 8: Australian Capital Territory
- 9: Other Territories

**Notes:**

- Name is taken from Australian [Statistical Geography Standard \(ASGS\) July 2011](#).
- Code is from Meteor with the addition of code for Other Territories.

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### 3.4.81. Provider Organisation - Tags

List of tags for the provider organisation.

**Field name:** organisation\_tags

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no

A comma separated list of tags.

Organisations can use this field to tag records in order to partition them as per local requirements.

**Notes:** Tags can contain lower case letters (or will get lowercased), numbers, dashes, spaces, and `!`. Leading and trailing spaces will be stripped. e.g. `priority!, nurse required, pending-outcome-1` would all be legitimate.

Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department. e.g. `!reserved, ! reserved, !department-use-only`.

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### 3.4.82. Provider Organisation - Type

The category that best describes the provider organisation.

**Field name:** organisation\_type

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: Private Allied Health Professional Practice
- 2: Private Psychiatry Practice
- 3: General Medical Practice
- 4: Private Hospital
- 5: Headspace Centre
- 6: Early Youth Psychosis Centre
- 7: Community-managed Community Support Organisation
- 8: Aboriginal Health/Medical Service
- 9: State/Territory Health Service Organisation
- 10: Drug and/or Alcohol Service
- 11: Primary Health Network
- 12: Medicare Local
- 13: Division of General Practice
- 98: Other
- 99: Missing

## **1 - Private Allied Health Professional Practice**

The provider organisation is a group of single- or multi-discipline allied health practitioners operating as private service providers. This includes both group and solo practitioner entities.

## **2 - Private Psychiatry practice**

The provider organisation is a Private Psychiatry practice. This includes both group and solo practitioner entities.

## **3 - General Medical Practice**

The provider organisation is a General Medical Practice. This includes both group and solo practitioner entities.

## **4 - Private Hospital**

The provider organisation is a private hospital. This includes for-profit and not-for-profit hospitals.

## **5 - Headspace Centre**

The provider organisation is a Headspace centre, delivering services funded by the PHN.

Note: Headspace and Early Psychosis Youth Centres currently collect and report a standardised dataset to headspace National Office. Pending the future of these arrangements, reporting of the PMHC minimum data set is not required by those organisations previously funded through headspace National Office that transitioned to PHNs. Where new or additional services are commissioned by PHNs and delivered through existing Headspace or Early Psychosis Youth Centres, local decisions will be required as to whether these services can be captured through headspace National Office system or are better reported through the PMHC MDS.

**Notes:**

## **6 - Early Youth Psychosis Centre**

The provider organisation is a Early Youth Psychosis Centre, delivering services funded by the PHN.

Note: See Note above re Headspace.

## **7 - Community-managed Community Support Organisation**

The provider organisation is a community-managed (non-government) organisation that primarily delivers disability-related or social support services.

## **8 - Aboriginal Health/Medical Service**

The provider organisation is an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander-controlled health service organisation.

## **9 - State/Territory Health Service Organisation**

The provider organisation is a health service entity principally funded by a state or territory government. This includes all services delivered through Local Hospital Networks (variously named across jurisdictions).

#### 10 - Drug and/or Alcohol Service Organisation

The provider organisation is an organisation that provides specialised drug and alcohol treatment services. The organisation may be operating in the government or non-government sector, and where the latter, may be for-profit or not-for-profit.

#### 11 - Primary Health Network

The PHN is the provider organisation and employs the service delivery practitioners. This may occur during the transition period as the PHN moves to a full commissioning role, or in cases of market failure where there is no option to commission external providers.

#### 12 - Medicare Local

The provider organisation is a former Medicare Local entity.

#### 13 - Division of General Practice

The provider organisation is a former Division of General Practice entity.

#### 98 - Other

The provider organisation cannot be described by any of the available options.

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### 3.4.83. SDQ Collection Occasion - Version

The version of the SDQ collected.

**Field name:** sdq\_version

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

	<b>PC101:</b>	Parent Report Measure 4-10 yrs, Baseline version, Australian Version 1
	<b>PC201:</b>	Parent Report Measure 4-10 yrs, Follow Up version, Australian Version 1
	<b>PY101:</b>	Parent Report Measure 11-17 yrs, Baseline version, Australian Version 1
<b>Domain:</b>	<b>PY201:</b>	Parent Report Measure 11-17 yrs, Follow Up version, Australian Version 1
	<b>YR101:</b>	Self report Version, 11-17 years, Baseline version, Australian Version 1
	<b>YR201:</b>	Self report Version, 11-17 years, Follow Up version, Australian Version 1

**Notes:** Domain values align with those collected in the NOCC dataset as defined at <https://webval.validator.com.au/spec/NOCC/current/SDQ/SDQVer>

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### 3.4.84. SDQ - Conduct Problem Scale

Field name: sdq\_conduct\_problem

Data type: integer

Required: yes

Domain: 0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing

See [SDQ items and Scale Summary scores](#) for instructions on scoring the Conduct Problem Scale.

Notes:

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.85. SDQ - Emotional Symptoms Scale

Field name: sdq\_emotional\_symptoms

Data type: integer

Required: yes

Domain: 0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing

See [SDQ items and Scale Summary scores](#) for instructions on scoring the Emotional Symptoms Scale.

Notes:

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.86. SDQ - Hyperactivity Scale

Field name: sdq\_hyperactivity

Data type: integer

Required: yes

Domain: 0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing

See [SDQ items and Scale Summary scores](#) for instructions on scoring the Hyperactivity Scale.

Notes:

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.87. SDQ - Impact Score

Field name: sdq\_impact

Data type: integer

Required: yes

Domain: 0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing



See [SDQ items and Scale Summary scores](#) for instructions on scoring the Impact Score.

**Notes:**

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.88. SDQ - Peer Problem Scale

**Field name:** sdq\_peer\_problem

**Data type:** integer

**Required:** yes

**Domain:** 0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing

See [SDQ items and Scale Summary scores](#) for instructions on scoring the Peer Problem Scale.

**Notes:**

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.89. SDQ - Prosocial Scale

**Field name:** sdq\_prosocial

**Data type:** integer

**Required:** yes

**Domain:** 0 - 10, 99 = Not stated / Missing

See [SDQ items and Scale Summary scores](#) for instructions on scoring the Prosocial Scale.

**Notes:**

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.90. SDQ - Question 1

Parent Report: Considerate of other people's feelings.

Youth Self Report: I try to be nice to other people. I care about their feelings.

**Field name:** sdq\_item1

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>0:</b>	Not True
	<b>1:</b>	Somewhat True
	<b>2:</b>	Certainly True
	<b>7:</b>	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.91. SDQ - Question 2

Parent Report: Restless, overactive, cannot stay still for long.

Youth Self Report: I am restless, I cannot stay still for long.

**Field name:** sdq\_item2

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>0:</b>	Not True
	<b>1:</b>	Somewhat True
	<b>2:</b>	Certainly True
	<b>7:</b>	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.92. SDQ - Question 3

Parent Report: Often complains of headaches, stomach-aches or sickness.

Youth Self Report: I get a lot of headaches, stomach-aches or sickness.

**Field name:** sdq\_item3

<b>Data type:</b>	string
<b>Required:</b>	yes
<b>Domain:</b>	0: Not True
	1: Somewhat True
	2: Certainly True
	7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**  
When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.93. SDQ - Question 4

Parent Report: Shares readily with other children {for example toys, treats, pencils} / young people {for example CDs, games, food}.

Youth Self Report: I usually share with others, for examples CDs, games, food.

<b>Field name:</b>	sdq_item4
<b>Data type:</b>	string
<b>Required:</b>	yes
<b>Domain:</b>	0: Not True
	1: Somewhat True
	2: Certainly True
	7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**  
When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.94. SDQ - Question 5

Parent Report: Often loses temper.

Youth Self Report: I get very angry and often lose my temper.

**Field name:** sdq\_item5

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.95. SDQ - Question 6

Parent Report: {Rather solitary, prefers to play alone} / {would rather be alone than with other young people}.

Youth Self Report: I would rather be alone than with people of my age.

**Field name:** sdq\_item6

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.96. SDQ - Question 7

Parent Report: {Generally well behaved} / {Usually does what adults requests}.

Youth Self Report: I usually do as I am told.

**Field name:** sdq\_item7

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.97. SDQ - Question 8

Parent Report: Many worries or often seems worried.

Youth Self Report: I worry a lot.

**Field name:** sdq\_item8

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.98. SDQ - Question 9

Parent Report: Helpful if someone is hurt, upset or feeling ill.

Youth Self Report: I am helpful if someone is hurt, upset or feeling ill.

**Field name:** sdq\_item9

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.99. SDQ - Question 10

Parent Report: Constantly fidgeting or squirming.

Youth Self Report: I am constantly fidgeting or squirming.

**Field name:** sdq\_item10

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.100. SDQ - Question 11

Parent Report: Has at least one good friend.

Youth Self Report: I have one good friend or more.

**Field name:** sdq\_item11

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.101. SDQ - Question 12

Parent Report: Often fights with other {children} or bullies them / {young people}.

Youth Self Report: I fight a lot. I can make other people do what I want.

**Field name:** sdq\_item12

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	0:	Not True
	1:	Somewhat True
	2:	Certainly True
	7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.102. SDQ - Question 13

Parent Report: Often unhappy, depressed or tearful.

Youth Self Report: I am often unhappy, depressed or tearful.

**Field name:** sdq\_item13

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	0:	Not True
	1:	Somewhat True
	2:	Certainly True
	7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.103. SDQ - Question 14

Parent Report: Generally liked by other {children} / {young people}

Youth Self Report: Other people my age generally like me.

**Field name:** sdq\_item14



<b>Data type:</b>	string
<b>Required:</b>	yes
<b>Domain:</b>	0: Not True
	1: Somewhat True
	2: Certainly True
	7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	9: Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** Required Versions: All

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.104. SDQ - Question 15

Parent Report: Easily distracted, concentration wanders.

Youth Self Report: I am easily distracted, I find it difficult to concentrate.

<b>Field name:</b>	sdq_item15
<b>Data type:</b>	string
<b>Required:</b>	yes
<b>Domain:</b>	0: Not True
	1: Somewhat True
	2: Certainly True
	7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	9: Not stated / Missing

**Notes:** Required Versions: All

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.105. SDQ - Question 16

Parent Report: Nervous or {clingly} in new situations, easily loses confidence {omit clingy in PY}.

Youth Self Report: I am nervous in new situations. I easily lose confidence.

**Field name:**     sdq\_item16

**Data type:**     string

**Required:**      yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:**

Required Versions: All

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.106. SDQ - Question 17

Parent Report: Kind to younger children.

Youth Self Report: I am kind to younger people.

**Field name:**     sdq\_item17

**Data type:**     string

**Required:**      yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

**Notes:**

Required Versions: All

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.107. SDQ - Question 18

Parent Report: Often lies or cheats.

Youth Self Report: I am often accused of lying or cheating.

**Field name:** sdq\_item18

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.108. SDQ - Question 19

Parent Report: Picked on or bullied by {children} / {youth}.

Youth Self Report: Other children or young people pick on me or bully me.

**Field name:** sdq\_item19

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.109. SDQ - Question 20

Parent Report: Often volunteers to help others (parents, teachers, {other} children) / Omit 'other' in PY.

Youth Self Report: I often volunteer to help others (parents, teachers, children).

**Field name:** sdq\_item20

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.110. SDQ - Question 21

Parent Report: Thinks things out before acting.

Youth Self Report: I think before I do things.

**Field name:** sdq\_item21

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.111. SDQ - Question 22

Parent Report: Steals from home, school or elsewhere.

Youth Self Report: I take things that are not mine from home, school or elsewhere.

**Field name:** sdq\_item22

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.112. SDQ - Question 23

Parent Report: Gets along better with adults than with other {children} / {youth}.

Youth Self Report: I get along better with adults than with people my own age.

**Field name:** sdq\_item23

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not True
1:	Somewhat True
2:	Certainly True
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.113. SDQ - Question 24

Parent Report: Many fears, easily scared.

Youth Self Report: I have many fears, I am easily scared.

**Field name:** sdq\_item24

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0: Not True

1: Somewhat True

2: Certainly True

7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)

9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.114. SDQ - Question 25

Parent Report: Good attention span sees chores or homework through to the end.

Youth Self Report: I finish the work I'm doing. My attention is good.

**Field name:** sdq\_item25

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>0:</b>	Not True
	<b>1:</b>	Somewhat True
	<b>2:</b>	Certainly True
	<b>7:</b>	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.115. SDQ - Question 26

Parent Report: Overall, do you think that your child has difficulties in any of the following areas: emotions, concentration, behaviour or being able to get along with other people?

Youth Self Report: Overall, do you think that you have difficulties in any of the following areas: emotions, concentration, behaviour or being able to get along with other people?

**Field name:** sdq\_item26

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	<b>0:</b>	No
	<b>1:</b>	Yes - minor difficulties
	<b>2:</b>	Yes - definite difficulties
	<b>3:</b>	Yes - severe difficulties
	<b>7:</b>	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	<b>9:</b>	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.116. SDQ - Question 27

Parent Report: How long have these difficulties been present?

Youth Self Report: How long have these difficulties been present?

**Field name:** sdq\_item27

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Less than a month
1:	1-5 months
2:	6-12 months
3:	Over a year
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: - PC101 - PY101 - YR101

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.117. SDQ - Question 28

Parent Report: Do the difficulties upset or distress your child?

Youth Self Report: Do the difficulties upset or distress you?

**Field name:** sdq\_item28

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not at all
1:	A little
2:	A medium amount
3:	A great deal
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
9:	Not stated / Missing



Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.118. SDQ - Question 29

Parent Report: Do the difficulties interfere with your child's everyday life in the following areas? HOME LIFE.

Youth Self Report: Do the difficulties interfere with your everyday life in the following areas? HOME LIFE.

**Field name:** sdq\_item29

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0: Not at all

1: A little

2: A medium amount

3: A great deal

7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)

8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)

9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.119. SDQ - Question 30

Parent Report: Do the difficulties interfere with your child's everyday life in the following areas? FRIENDSHIPS.

Youth Self Report: Do the difficulties interfere with your everyday life in the following areas? FRIENDSHIPS.

**Field name:** sdq\_item30

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

<b>Domain:</b>	0:	Not at all
	1:	A little
	2:	A medium amount
	3:	A great deal
	7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
	9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.120. SDQ - Question 31

Parent Report: Do the difficulties interfere with your child's everyday life in the following areas? CLASSROOM LEARNING.

Youth Self Report: Do the difficulties interfere with your everyday life in the following areas? CLASSROOM LEARNING

Field name:	sdq_item31		
Data type:	string		
Required:	yes		
Domain:	0:	Not at all	
	1:	A little	
	2:	A medium amount	
	3:	A great deal	
	7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)	
	8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)	
	9:	Not stated / Missing	

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.121. SDQ - Question 32

Parent Report: Do the difficulties interfere with your child's everyday life in the following areas? LEISURE ACTIVITIES.

Youth Self Report: Do the difficulties interfere with your everyday life in the following areas? LEISURE ACTIVITIES.

**Field name:** sdq\_item32

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

0:	Not at all
1:	A little
2:	A medium amount
3:	A great deal
7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

**Notes:**

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.122. SDQ - Question 33

Parent Report: Do the difficulties put a burden on you or the family as a whole?

Youth Self Report: Do the difficulties make it harder for those around you (family, friends, teachers, etc)?

**Field name:** sdq\_item33

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	0:	Not at all
	1:	A little
	2:	A medium amount
	3:	A great deal
	7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
	9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions: All

Notes:

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.123. SDQ - Question 34

Parent Report: Since coming to the services, are your child's problems:

Youth Self Report: 'Since coming to the service, are your problems:

Field name: sdq\_item34  
 Data type: string  
 Required: yes

Domain:	0:	Much worse
	1:	A bit worse
	2:	About the same
	3:	A bit better
	4:	Much better
	7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
	9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions:

- Notes:**
- PC201
  - PY201
  - YR201

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.124. SDQ - Question 35

Has coming to the service been helpful in other ways eg. providing information or making the problems bearable?

**Field name:** sdq\_item35

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 0: Not at all
- 1: A little
- 2: A medium amount
- 3: A great deal
- 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)
- 8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
- 9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions:

- Notes:**
- PC201
  - PY201
  - YR201

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.125. SDQ - Question 36

Over the last 6 months have your child's teachers complained of fidgetiness, restlessness or overactivity?

**Field name:** sdq\_item36

**Data type:** string

<b>Required:</b>	yes
	0: No
	1: A little
	2: A lot
<b>Domain:</b>	7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
	9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions:

- Notes:**
- PC101
  - PY101

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.126. SDQ - Question 37

Over the last 6 months have your child's teachers complained of poor concentration or being easily distracted?

<b>Field name:</b>	sdq_item37
<b>Data type:</b>	string
<b>Required:</b>	yes
	0: No
	1: A little
	2: A lot
<b>Domain:</b>	7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
	9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions:

- Notes:**
- PC101
  - PY101

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.127. SDQ - Question 38

Over the last 6 months have your child's teachers complained of acting without thinking, frequently butting in, or not waiting for his or her turn?

**Field name:** sdq\_item38

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

0: No

1: A little

2: A lot

**Domain:** 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)

8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)

9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions:

**Notes:**

- PC101
- PY101

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.128. SDQ - Question 39

Does your family complain about you having problems with overactivity or poor concentration?

**Field name:** sdq\_item39

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	0:	No
	1:	A little
	2:	A lot
	7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)
	8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)
	9:	Not stated / Missing

Required Versions:

Notes: 

- YR101

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

### 3.4.129. SDQ - Question 40

Do your teachers complain about you having problems with overactivity or poor concentration?

Field name:	sdq_item40		
Data type:	string		
Required:	yes		
Domain:	0:	No	
	1:	A little	
	2:	A lot	
	7:	Unable to rate (insufficient information)	
	8:	Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)	
	9:	Not stated / Missing	

Required Versions:

Notes: 

- YR101

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.



### 3.4.130. SDQ - Question 41

Does your family complain about you being awkward or troublesome?

**Field name:** sdq\_item41

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

0: No

1: A little

2: A lot

**Domain:** 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)

8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)

9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions:

**Notes:**

- YR101

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.131. SDQ - Question 42

Do your teachers complain about you being awkward or troublesome?

**Field name:** sdq\_item42

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

0: No

1: A little

2: A lot

**Domain:** 7: Unable to rate (insufficient information)

8: Not applicable (collection not required - item not included in the version collected, or SDQ Item 26 = 0)

9: Not stated / Missing

Required Versions:

Notes:

- YR101

When reporting subscale and total scores use '9 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.132. SDQ - Tags

List of tags for the collection occasion.

Field name: sdq\_tags

Data type: string

Required: no

A comma separated list of tags.

Organisations can use this field to tag records in order to partition them as per local requirements.

Notes: Tags can contain lower case letters (or will get lowercased), numbers, dashes, spaces, and `!`. Leading and trailing spaces will be stripped. e.g. `priority!, nurse required, pending-outcome-1` would all be legitimate.

Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department. e.g. `!reserved, ! reserved, !department-use-only`.

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### 3.4.133. SDQ - Total Difficulties Score

Field name: sdq\_total

Data type: integer

Required: yes

Domain: 0 - 40, 99 = Not stated / Missing

See [SDQ items and Scale Summary scores](#) for instructions on scoring the Total Difficulties Score.

Notes:

When reporting individual item scores use '99 - Not stated / Missing'.

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### 3.4.134. Service Contact - Client Participation Indicator

An indicator of whether the client participated, or intended to participate, in the service contact, as represented by a code.

Field name: service\_contact\_participation\_indicator

<b>Data type:</b>	string
<b>Required:</b>	yes
	1: Yes
<b>Domain:</b>	2: No

Service contacts are not restricted to in-person communication but can include telephone, video link or other forms of direct communication.

#### 1 - Yes

This code is to be used for service contacts between a mental health service provider and the patient/client in whose clinical record the service contact would normally warrant a dated entry, where the patient/client is participating.

**Notes:** 2 - No

This code is to be used for service contacts between a mental health service provider and a third party(ies) where the patient/client, in whose clinical record the service contact would normally warrant a dated entry, is not participating.

*Note:* Where a client intended to participate in a service contact but failed to attend, [Service Contact - Client Participation Indicator](#) should be recorded as '1: Yes' and [Service Contact - No Show](#) should be recorded as '1: Yes'.

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### 3.4.135. Service Contact - Copayment

The co-payment is the amount paid by the client per session.

<b>Field name:</b>	service_contact_copayment
<b>Data type:</b>	number
<b>Required:</b>	yes
<b>Domain:</b>	0 - 999999.99

Up to 6 digits before the decimal point; up to 2 digits after the decimal point.

**Notes:** The co-payment is the amount paid by the client per service contact, not the fee paid by the project to the practitioner or the fee paid by the project to the practitioner plus the client contribution. In many cases, there will not be a co-payment charged and therefore zero should be entered. Where a co-payment is charged it should be minimal and based on an individual's capacity to pay.

### 3.4.136. Service Contact - Date

The date of each mental health service contact between a health service provider and patient/client.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_date

**Data type:** date

**Required:** yes

For Date fields, data must be recorded in compliance with the standard format used across the National Health Data Dictionary; specifically, dates must be of fixed 8 column width in the format DDMMYYYY, with leading zeros used when necessary to pad out a value. For instance, 13th March 2008 would appear as 13032008.

**Notes:**

- The service contact date must not be before 1st January 2014.
- The service contact date must not be in the future.

**METeOR:** [494356](#)

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### 3.4.137. Service Contact - Duration

The time from the start to finish of a service contact.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_duration

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

0: No contact took place

1: 1-15 mins

2: 16-30 mins

3: 31-45 mins

4: 46-60 mins

**Domain:** 5: 61-75 mins

6: 76-90 mins

7: 91-105 mins

8: 106-120 mins

9: over 120 mins

For group sessions the time for client spent in the session is recorded for each client, regardless of the number of clients or third parties participating or the number of service providers providing the service. Writing up details of service contacts is not to be reported as part of the duration, except if during or contiguous with the period of client or third party participation. Travel to or from the location at which the service is provided, for example to or from outreach facilities or private homes, is not to be reported as part of the duration of the service contact.

**Notes:**

**0 - No contact took place**

Only use this code where the service contact is recorded as a no show.

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### 3.4.138. Service Contact - Final

An indication of whether the Service Contact is the final for the current Episode of Care

**Field name:** service\_contact\_final

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: No further services are planned for the client in the current episode
- 2: Further services are planned for the client in the current episode
- 3: Not known at this stage

Service providers should report this item on the basis of future planned or scheduled contacts with the client. Where this item is recorded as 1 (No further services planned), the episode should be recorded as completed by:

**Notes:**

- the date of the final Service Contact should be recorded as the Episode End Date
- the Episode Completion Status field should be recorded as 'Treatment concluded.

Note that no further Service Contacts can be recorded against an episode once it is marked as completed. Where an episode has been marked as completed prematurely, the Episode End Date can be manually corrected to allow additional activity to be recorded.

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### 3.4.139. Service Contact - Interpreter Used

Whether an interpreter service was used during the Service Contact

**Field name:** service\_contact\_interpreter

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

Domain:	1:	Yes
	2:	No
	9:	Not stated

Interpreter services includes verbal language, non-verbal language and languages other than English.

**1 - Yes**

Use this code where interpreter services were used during the Service Contact. Use of interpreter services for any form of sign language or other forms of non-verbal communication should be coded as Yes.

Notes:

**2 - No**

Use this code where interpreter services were not used during the Service Contact.

**9 - Not stated**

Indicates that the item was not collected. This item should not appear as an option for clinicians, it is for administrative use only.

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### 3.4.140. Service Contact - Modality

How the service contact was delivered, as represented by a code.

Field name:	service_contact_modality
Data type:	string
Required:	yes
Domain:	0: No contact took place
	1: Face to Face
	2: Telephone
	3: Video
	4: Internet-based

#### 0 - No contact took place

Only use this code where the service contact is recorded as a no show.

#### 1 - Face to Face

- If 'Face to Face' is selected, a value other than 'Not applicable' must be selected for Service Contact Venue
- If 'Face to Face' is selected a valid Australian postcode must be entered for Service Contact

**Notes:**

Postcode. The unknown postcode is not valid.

#### 4 - Internet-based

Includes email communication, that would normally warrant a dated entry in the clinical record of the client, involving a third party, such as a carer or family member, and/or other professional or mental health worker, or other service provider.

Note: If Service Contact Modality is not 'Face to Face' the postcode must be entered as unknown 9999.

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### 3.4.141. Service Contact - No Show

Where an appointment was made for an intended participant(s), but the intended participant(s) failed to attend the appointment, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_no\_show

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

1: Yes

**Domain:** 2: No

#### 1 - Yes

The intended participant(s) failed to attend the appointment.

**Notes:**

#### 2 - No

The intended participant(s) attended the appointment.

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### 3.4.142. Service Contact - Participants

An indication of who participated in the Service Contact.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_participants

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

- 1: Individual client
- 2: Client group
- 3: Family / Client Support Network
- 4: Other health professional or service provider
- 5: Other
- 9: Not stated

**Domain:**

#### 1 - Individual

Code applies for Service Contacts delivered individually to a single client without third party participants. Please refer to the Note below.

#### 2 - Client group

Code applies for Service Contacts delivered on a group basis to two or more clients.

#### 3 - Family / Client Support Network

Code applies to Service Contacts delivered to the family/social support persons of the client, with or without the participation of the client.

**Notes:**

#### 4 - Other health professional or service provider

Code applies for Service Contacts that involve another health professional or service provider (in addition to the Practitioner), with or without the participation of the client.

#### 5 - Other

Code applies to Service Contacts delivered to other third parties (e.g., teachers, employer), with or without the participation of the client.

Note: This item interacts with [Service Contact - Client Participation Indicator](#). Where [Service Contact - Participants](#) has a value of '1: Individual', [Service Contact - Client Participation Indicator](#) must have a value of '1: Yes'. [Service Contact - No Show](#) is used to record if the patient failed to attend the appointment.

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### 3.4.143. Service Contact - Postcode

The Australian postcode where the service contact took place.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_postcode

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes



A valid Australian postcode or 9999 if the postcode is unknown. The full list of Australian Postcodes can be found at [Australia Post](#).

**Notes:**

- If Service Contact Modality is not 'Face to Face' enter 9999
- If Service Contact Modality is 'Face to Face' a valid Australian postcode must be entered
- As of 1 November 2016, PMHC MDS currently validates that postcodes are in the range 0200-0299 or 0800-9999.

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### 3.4.144. Service Contact - Tags

List of tags for the service contact.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_tags

**Data type:** string

**Required:** no

A comma separated list of tags.

Organisations can use this field to tag records in order to partition them as per local requirements.

**Notes:** Tags can contain lower case letters (or will get lowercased), numbers, dashes, spaces, and `!`. Leading and trailing spaces will be stripped. e.g. `priority!, nurse required, pending-outcome-1` would all be legitimate.

Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department. e.g. `!reserved, ! reserved, !department-use-only`.

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### 3.4.145. Service Contact - Type

The main type of service provided in the service contact, as represented by the service type that accounted for most provider time.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_type

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 0: No contact took place
- 1: Assessment
- 2: Structured psychological intervention
- 3: Other psychological intervention
- 4: Clinical care coordination/liaison
- 5: Clinical nursing services
- 6: Child or youth specific assistance NEC
- 7: Suicide prevention specific assistance NEC
- 8: Cultural specific assistance NEC
- 9: Psychosocial support
- 98: ATAPS

Describes the main type of service delivered in the contact, selected from a defined list of categories. Where more than service type was provided select that which accounted for most provider time. Service providers are required to report on Service Type for all Service Contacts.

*Note: NEC is used for 'Not Elsewhere Classified'. For these records, only use these service types if they cannot be classified by any of the other service options.*

## **0 - No contact took place**

Only use this code where the service contact is recorded as a no show.

## **1 - Assessment**

Determination of a person's mental health status and need for mental health services, made by a suitably trained mental health professional, based on the collection and evaluation of data obtained through interview and observation, of a person's history and presenting problem(s). Assessment may include consultation with the person's family and concludes with formation of problems/issues, documentation of a preliminary diagnosis, and a treatment plan.

## **2 - Structured psychological intervention**

Those interventions which include a structured interaction between a client and a service provider using a recognised, psychological method, for example, cognitive behavioural techniques, family therapy or psycho education counselling. These are recognised, structured or published techniques for the treatment of mental ill-health. Structured psychological interventions are designed to alleviate psychological distress or emotional disturbance, change maladaptive behaviour and foster mental health. Structured psychological therapies can be delivered on either an individual or group basis, typically in an office or community setting. They may be delivered by trained mental health professionals or other individuals with appropriate competencies but who do not meet the requirements for registration, credentialing or recognition as a mental health professional. Structured Psychological Therapies include but are not limited to:

- Psycho-education (including motivational interviewing)
- Cognitive-behavioural therapies
- Relaxation strategies
- Skills training
- Interpersonal therapy

## **3 - Other psychological intervention**

Psychological interventions that do not meet criteria for structured psychological intervention.

## **4 - Clinical care coordination/liaison**

Activities focused on working in partnership and liaison with other health care and service providers and other individuals to coordinate and integrate service delivery to the client with the aim of improving their clinical outcomes. Consultation and liaison may occur with primary health care providers, acute health, emergency services, rehabilitation and support services, family, friends, other support people and carers and other agencies that have some level of responsibility for the client's treatment and/or well being.

Notes:

## 5 - Clinical nursing services

Services delivered by mental health nurses that cannot be described elsewhere. Typically, these aim to provide clinical support to clients to effectively manage their symptoms and avoid unnecessary hospitalisation. Clinical nursing services include:

- monitoring a client's mental state;
- liaising closely with family and carers as appropriate;
- administering and monitoring compliance with medication;
- providing information on physical health care, as required and, where appropriate, assist in addressing the physical health inequities of people with mental illness; and
- improving links to other health professionals/clinical service providers.

## 6 - Child or youth-specific assistance NEC

Services delivered to, or on behalf, of a child or young person that cannot be described elsewhere. These can include, for example, working with a child's teacher to provide advice on assisting the child in their educational environment; working with a young person's employer to assist the young person to their work environment.

*Note: This code should only be used for Service Contacts that cannot be described by any other Service Type. It is expected that the majority of Service Contacts delivered to children and young people can be assigned to other categories.*

## 7 - Suicide prevention specific assistance NEC

Services delivered to, or on behalf, of a client who presents with risk of suicide that cannot be described elsewhere. These can include, for example, working with the person's employers to advise on changes in the workplace; working with a young person's teacher to assist the child in their school environment; or working with relevant community-based groups to assist the client to participate in their activities.

*Note: This code should only be used for Service Contacts that cannot be described by any other Service Type. It is expected that the majority of Service Contacts delivered to client's who have a risk of suicide can be assigned to other categories.*

## 8 - Cultural specific assistance NEC

Culturally appropriate services delivered to, or on behalf, of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander client that cannot be described elsewhere. These can include, for example, working with the client's community support network including family and carers, men's and women's groups, traditional healers, interpreters and social and emotional wellbeing counsellors.

*Note: This code should only be used for Service Contacts that cannot be described by any other Service Type. It is expected that the majority of Service Contacts (see domains below) delivered to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander clients can be assigned to other categories.*

## 9 - Psychosocial support

Service providers are required to report on Service Contact Type for every contact with a client. This requires a judgement about the main service delivered at each contact, selected from a small list of options, and based on the activity that accounted for most provider time. Service Contact Type complements Principal Focus of Treatment Plan by capturing information to understand the mix of services provided within an individual episode of care.

Service Contact Type should be coded as Psychosocial Support (code 9) where the main services delivered during the contact involved the delivery of psychosocial support services. Psychosocial support services are defined for PMHC MDS purposes as services that focus on building capacity and stability in one or more of the following areas:

- social skills and friendships, family connections;
- managing daily living needs;
- financial management and budgeting;
- finding and maintaining a home;
- vocational skills and goals, including volunteering;
- educational and training goals;
- maintaining physical wellbeing, including exercise;
- building broader life skills including confidence and resilience.

These services are usually delivered by a range of non-clinical providers including peer support workers with lived experience of mental illness.

Service Contacts recorded as psychosocial support may be delivered in all episodes of care, regardless of episode type. However, it is expected that they will be mainly associated with episodes where the Principal Focus of Treatment Plan is classified as Psychosocial Support.

## 98 - ATAPS

Services delivered as part of ATAPS funded referrals that are recorded and/or migrated into the PMHC MDS.

*Note: This code should only be used for Service Contacts that are migrated from ATAPS MDS sources that cannot be described by any other Service Type. It is expected that the majority of Service Contacts delivered to clients from 1st July, 2017 can be assigned to other categories.*

This response will not be allowed on service contacts delivered after 30 June 2018. (All ATAPS referrals should have concluded by that date).

This response will only be allowed on service contacts with the !ATAPS flag.

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### 3.4.146. Service Contact - Venue

Where the service contact was delivered, as represented by a code.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_venue

**Data type:** string

**Required:** yes

**Domain:**

- 1: Client's Home
- 2: Service provider's office
- 3: GP Practice
- 4: Other medical practice
- 5: Headspace Centre
- 6: Other primary care setting
- 7: Public or private hospital
- 8: Residential aged care facility
- 9: School or other educational centre
- 10: Client's Workplace
- 11: Other
- 12: Aged care centre - non-residential
- 98: Not applicable (Service Contact Modality is not face to face)
- 99: Not stated

Note that this data item concerns only where the service contact took place. It is not about where the client lives. Thus, if a resident of an aged care residential facility is seen at another venue (e.g., at a GP Clinic), then the Service Contact Venue should be recorded as 'GP Practice' (code 3) to accurately reflect where the contact took place.

Values other than '98 - Not applicable' only to be specified when Service Contact Modality is 'Face to Face'.

#### 6 - Other primary care setting

This code is suitable for primary care settings such as community health centres.

#### 8 - Residential aged care facility

##### Notes:

Use this code when the client is seen at an aged care residential facility.

#### 12 - Aged care centre - non-residential

Use this code when the client is seen at a non-residential aged care centre (e.g., community day program centre for older people).

#### 98 - Not applicable (Service Contact Modality is not face to face)

This code must only to be used where the Service Contact Modality is not face to face

All other data items would be recorded as per the guidelines that apply to those items – there are no special requirements specific to delivery of services to residents of aged care facilities. For example, any of the episode of care types recorded under the Principal Focus of Treatment Plan may apply; similarly, service contacts delivered to aged care residents may be any of the options available in Service Contact Type field.

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### 3.4.147. Service Contact Key

This is a number or code assigned to each service contact. The Service Contact Key is unique and stable for each service contact at the level of the Provider Organisation.

**Field name:** service\_contact\_key

**Data type:** string (2,50)

**Required:** yes

**Notes:** Service Contact Keys must be generated by the organisation to be unique at the Provider Organisation level and must persist across time. See [Managing Service Contact Keys](#)

Service Contact Keys are case sensitive and must be valid unicode characters.

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### 3.4.148. Value

The metadata value.

**Field name:** value

Data type: string

Required: yes

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### 3.5. Download Specification Files

Available for software developers designing extracts for the PMHC MDS, please click the link below to download the PMHC MDS Specification files:

- [Specification zip](#)



## 4. Upload specification

### 4.1. File types

Files will be accepted in the following types:

- Comma Separated Values (CSV)
- Excel (XLSX)

#### 4.1.1. Comma Separated Values (CSV)

The CSV files must conform to [RFC 4180](#).

In addition, CSV files must be created using UTF-8 character encoding.

CSV files must have the file extension .csv

Multiple CSV files must be uploaded - one CSV file for each format described [below](#).

The CSV files must be compressed into a single file by zipping before upload. The filename of the zip file doesn't matter as long as it has the file extension .zip

#### 4.1.2. Excel (XLSX)

Excel files must be in XLSX format. The following versions of Excel support this format:

- Excel 2007 (v12.0)
- Excel 2010 (v14.0)
- Excel 2013 (v15.0)
- Excel 2016 (v16.0)

One XLSX file must be uploaded containing multiple worksheets - one worksheet for each format described [below](#).

When saving your file, please choose the filetype 'Excel Workbook (.xlsx)'.

The filename of the Excel file doesn't matter as long as it has the file extension .xlsx

### 4.2. Files or worksheets to upload

The following files/worksheets can be uploaded to the PMHC MDS:

Table 4.1 Summary of files to upload

File Type	CSV filename	Excel worksheet name	Required
Clients	clients.csv	Clients	Required
Episodes	episodes.csv	Episodes	Required
Service Contacts	service-contacts.csv	Service Contacts	Required
K10+ Collection Occasions	k10p.csv	K10+	Required
K5 Collection Occasions	k5.csv	K5	Required
SDQ Collection Occasions	sdq.csv	SDQ	Required
Practitioners	practitioners.csv	Practitioners	Required for first upload and when practitioner information changes. Optional otherwise
Organisations	organisations.csv	Organisations	Optional only if the user has Organisation Management role
Metadata	metadata.csv	Metadata	Required

Each of the example files assumes the following organisation structure:

Organisation Key	Organisation Name	Organisation Type	Parent Organisation
PHN999	Test PHN	Primary Health Network	None
NFP01	Test Provider Organisation	Private Allied Health Professional Practice	PHN999

## 4.3. File format

Requirements for file formats:

- The first row must contain the column headings as defined for each file type.
- Each item is a column in the file/worksheet. The 'Field Name' must be used for the column headings. The columns must be kept in the same order.
- The second and subsequent rows must contain the data.
- Data elements for each file/worksheet are defined at [Record formats](#).
- All files must be internally consistent. An example of what this means is that for every row in the episode file/worksheet, there must be a corresponding client in the client file/worksheet.
- All version 2.0 data uploads must include a Metadata file/worksheet. See [Metadata file](#).

### 4.3.1. Metadata file

All version 2.0 data uploads must include a Metadata file/worksheet. - In the first row, the first cell must contain 'key' and the second cell must contain 'value' - In the second row, the first cell must contain 'type' and the second cell must contain 'PMHC' - In the third row, the first cell must contain 'version' and the second cell must contain '2.0'

i.e.:

key	value
type	PMHC
version	2.0

Data elements for the metadata upload file/worksheet are defined at [Metadata](#).

Example metadata data:

- [CSV metadata file](#).
- [XLSX metadata worksheet](#).

### 4.3.2. Client format

The client file/worksheet is required to be uploaded each time.

Data elements for the client upload file/worksheet are defined at [Client](#).

Example client data:

- [CSV client file](#).
- [XLSX client worksheet](#).

### 4.3.3. Episode file format

The episode file/worksheet is required to be uploaded each time.

Data elements for the episode upload file/worksheet are defined at [Episode](#).

Example episode data:

- [CSV episode file](#).
- [XLSX episode worksheet](#).

#### 4.3.4. Service Contact file format

The service contact file/worksheet is required to be uploaded each time.

Data elements for the service contact upload file/worksheet are defined at [Service Contact](#).

Example service contact data:

- [CSV service contact file](#).
- [XLSX service contact worksheet](#).

#### 4.3.5. K10+ Collection Occasion file format

The K10+ file/worksheet is required to be uploaded each time.

Data elements for the K10+ collection occasion upload file/worksheet are defined at [K10+](#).

Example K10+ data:

- [CSV K10+ file](#).
- [XLSX K10+ worksheet](#).

#### 4.3.6. K5 Collection Occasion file format

The K5 file/worksheet is required to be uploaded each time.

Data elements for the K5 collection occasion upload file/worksheet are defined at [K5](#).

Example K5 data:

- [CSV K5 file](#).
- [XLSX K5 worksheet](#).

#### 4.3.7. SDQ Collection Occasion file format

The SDQ file/worksheet is required to be uploaded each time.

Data elements for the SDQ collection occasion upload file/worksheet are defined at [SDQ](#).

Example SDQ data:

- [CSV SDQ file](#).
- [XLSX SDQ worksheet](#).

#### 4.3.8. Practitioner file format

The practitioner file/worksheet is required for the first upload and if there is a change in practitioners. It is optional otherwise. There is no harm in including it in every upload.

Data elements for the practitioner upload file/worksheet are defined at [Practitioner](#).

Example practitioner data:

- [CSV practitioner file](#).
- [XLSX practitioner worksheet](#).

#### 4.3.9. Organisation file format

This file is for PHN use only. The organisation file/worksheet is optional. It can be included to upload Provider Organisations in bulk or if there is a change in Provider Organisation details. There is no harm in including it in every upload.

Data elements for the Provider Organisation upload file/worksheet are defined at [Provider Organisation](#).

Example organisation data:

- [CSV organisation file](#).
- [XLSX organisation worksheet](#).

#### 4.3.10. Deleting records

- Records of the following type can be deleted via upload:
  - Client
  - Episode
  - Service Contact
  - K10+
  - K5
  - SDQ
  - Practitioner

Organisation records *cannot* be deleted via upload. Please email [support@pmhc-mds.com](mailto:support@pmhc-mds.com) if you need to delete an organisation.

- An extra optional “delete” column can be added to each of the supported upload files/worksheets.
- If included, this column must be the third column in each file, after the organisation path and the record’s entity key.
- To delete a record, include its organisation path and its entity key, leave all other fields blank and put “delete” in the “delete” column. Please note that case is important. “DELETE” will not be accepted.

- Marking a record as deleted will require all child records of that record also to be marked for deletion. For example, marking a client as deleted will require all episodes, service contacts and collection occasions of that client to be marked for deletion.
- While deletions can be included in the same upload as insertions/updates, we recommend that you include all deletions in a separate upload that is uploaded before the insertions/updates.

Example files showing how to delete via upload:

- [XLSX file containing all the worksheets.](#)
- [CSV delete client file.](#)
- [CSV delete episode file.](#)
- [CSV delete service contact file.](#)
- [CSV delete K10+ file.](#)
- [CSV delete K5 file.](#)
- [CSV delete SDQ file.](#)
- [CSV delete practitioner file.](#)

## 4.4. Frequently Asked Questions

Please also refer to [Uploading data](#) for answers to frequently asked questions about uploading data.

## 5. Data item summary

Table 5.1 Summary of data items

Metadata	Provider Organisation	Practitioner	Client	Episode	Service Contact	K10+ C
Key	Organisation Path	Organisation Path	Organisation Path	Organisation Path	Organisation Path	Organis
Value	Organisation Key	Practitioner Key	Client Key	Episode Key	Service Contact Key	Collect
	Provider Organisation - Name	Practitioner - Category	Client - Statistical Linkage Key	Client Key	Episode Key	Episod
	Provider Organisation - Legal Name	Practitioner - ATSI Cultural Training	Client - Date of Birth	Episode - End Date	Practitioner Key	Collect Measur
	Provider Organisation - ABN	Practitioner - Year of Birth	Client - Estimated Date of Birth Flag	Episode - Client Consent to Anonymised Data	Service Contact - Date	Collect Reason
	Provider Organisation - Type	Practitioner - Gender	Client - Gender	Episode - Completion Status	Service Contact - Type	K10+ -
	Provider Organisation - State	Practitioner - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status	Client - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status	Episode - Referral Date	Service Contact - Postcode	K10+ -
	Provider Organisation - Start Date	Practitioner - Active	Client - Country of Birth	Episode - Principal Focus of Treatment Plan	Service Contact - Modality	K10+ -
	Provider Organisation - End Date	Practitioner - Tags	Client - Main Language Spoken at Home	Episode - GP Mental Health Treatment Plan Flag	Service Contact - Participants	K10+ -
	Provider Organisation - Tags		Client - Proficiency in Spoken English	Episode - Homelessness Flag	Service Contact - Venue	K10+ -
			Client - Tags	Episode - Area of usual residence, postcode	Service Contact - Duration	K10+ -
				Episode - Labour Force Status	Service Contact - Copayment	K10+ -
				Episode - Employment Participation	Service Contact - Client Participation Indicator	K10+ -

Metadata	Provider Organisation	Practitioner	Client	Episode	Service Contact	K10+ C
				Episode - Source of Cash Income	Service Contact - Interpreter Used	K10+ -
				Episode - Health Care Card	Service Contact - No Show	K10+ -
				Episode - NDIS Participant	Service Contact - Final	K10+ -
				Episode - Marital Status	Service Contact - Tags	K10+ -
				Episode - Suicide Referral Flag		K10+ -
				Episode - Principal Diagnosis		K10+ -
				Episode - Additional Diagnosis		K10+ -
				Episode - Medication - Antipsychotics (N05A)		K10+ -
				Episode - Medication - Anxiolytics (N05B)		
				Episode - Medication - Hypnotics and sedatives (N05C)		
				Episode - Medication - Antidepressants (N06A)		
				Episode - Medication - Psychostimulants and nootropics (N06B)		
				Episode - Referrer Profession		
				Episode - Referrer Organisation Type		
				Episode - Continuity of Support		
				Episode - Tags		





## 6. Using the data specification to create client forms

Some consideration needs to be taken when designing forms based on this data specification.

### 6.1. Not stated/missing codes

Not stated/missing codes (normally code 9, 99, 999 or 9999) are not to be available as a valid answers to questions but is intended for use:

- Primarily when importing data from other data collections that do not contain mappable data.
- Where an answer was refused.
- Where the question was not able to be asked prior to completion of assistance because the client was unable to communicate or a person who knows the client was not available.

### 6.2. Country of Birth

[Client - Country of Birth](#) has a large permitted domain. It is not feasible to provide all allowed responses on a form. The Australian Bureau of Statistics recommends two standard question modules for Country of Birth:

- [Detailed question module](#)
- [Short question module](#)

#### 6.2.1. Detailed question module

The detailed question module is the recommended module for Country of Birth. An example is:

Q. In which country [were you][was the person] born?

Australia

England

New Zealand

India

Italy

Vietnam

Philippines

South Africa

Scotland

Malaysia

Other - Please specify.....

q

q

q

q

q

q

q

q

q

q

Form designers do not need to use the countries shown in this example. They should choose countries relevant to the population for their region. The “Other” response can then be mapped to a [Client - Country of Birth](#) during data entry.

### 6.2.2. Short question module

The short question module can be used where there are space constraints. An example is:

Q. In which country [were you][was the person] born?

Australia

q

Other - please specify.....

The “Other” response can then be mapped to a country code during data entry. This form has higher overheads as each response will need to be matched to a [Client - Country of Birth](#) during data entry.

### 6.3. Main Language Spoken at Home

[Client - Main Language Spoken at Home](#) has a large permitted domain. It is not feasible to provide all allowed responses on a form. The Australian Bureau of Statistics recommends two standard question modules for Main Language Spoken at Home:

- [Detailed question module](#)
- [Short question module](#)

#### 6.3.1. Detailed question module

The detailed question module is the recommended module for Main Language Spoken at Home. An example is:

Q. [Do you][Does the person] speak a language other than English at home?  
(If more than one language, indicate the one that is spoken most often.)

No, English

q

Yes, Mandarin

q

Yes, Italian

q

Yes, Arabic

q

Yes, Cantonese

q

Yes, Greek

q

Yes, Vietnamese

q

Yes, Spanish

q

Yes, Hindi

q

Yes, Tagalog

q

Yes, Other - Please Specify.....

For self enumerated questionnaires, respondents should be instructed to mark one box only.

Form designers do not need to use the languages shown in this example. They should choose languages relevant to the population for their region. The “Other” response can then be mapped to a [Client - Main Language Spoken at Home](#) during data entry.

### 6.3.2. Short question module

The short question module can be used where there are space constraints. An example is:

Q. [Do you] [Does the person] speak a language other than English at home?

No, English only      q

Yes, Other - please specify.....

The “Other” response can then be mapped to a country code during data entry. This form has higher overheads as each response will need to be matched to a [Client - Main Language Spoken at Home](#) during data entry.

## 7. Validation Rules

This document defines validation rules between items and record types. The domain of individual items is defined in [Record formats](#).

### 7.1. Current Validations

#### 7.1.1. Practitioner

1. [Practitioner - ATSI Cultural Training](#) must only be set to '3 - Not required' where [Practitioner - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status](#) is one of

- '1: Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin'
- '2: Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin'
- '3: Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin'

or

The organisation to which the practitioner belongs has [Provider Organisation - Type](#) set to '8: Aboriginal Health/Medical Service'

#### 7.1.2. Client

1. [Client - Date of Birth](#) must not be before 1 January 1900 and must not be in the future

### 7.1.3. Episode

1. The [Episode - End Date](#) must not be before the [Episode - Referral Date](#)
2. [Episode - Referrer Organisation Type](#) must be set to '98: N/A - Self referral' if and only if [Episode - Referrer Profession](#) is also '98: N/A - Self referral'
3. A maximum of one episode shall be open per client
4. Where the [Episode - Completion Status](#) has been recorded using one of the 'Episode closed' responses (Response items 1-6), the episode must have an [Episode - End Date](#), and/or episodes that have an [Episode - End Date](#) must have an [Episode - Completion Status](#) recorded using one of the 'Episode closed' responses (Response items 1-6)
5. On [Episode - Principal Diagnosis](#) and [Episode - Additional Diagnosis](#) the values:
  - '100: Anxiety disorders (ATAPS)'
  - '200: Affective (Mood) disorders (ATAPS)'
  - '300: Substance use disorders (ATAPS)'
  - '400: Psychotic disorders (ATAPS)'must only be used where data has been migrated from ATAPS. The above responses must only be used under the following conditions:
  - The [Episode - Referral Date](#) was before 1 July 2017
  - The [Episode - Tags](#) field must contain the !ATAPS flag
6. The '4: Complex care package' response for [Episode - Principal Focus of Treatment Plan](#) must only be used by selected PHN Lead Sites
7. The !ATAPS tag must only be included in the [Episode - Tags](#) field where the [Episode - Referral Date](#) was before 1 July 2017
8. The [Episode - End Date](#)
  - must not be before 1 January 2016
  - and must not be before [Provider Organisation - Start Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Provider Organisation - End Date](#)
  - and must not be in the future
9. The [Episode - Referral Date](#)
  - must not be before 1 January 2014
  - and must not be before [Provider Organisation - Start Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Provider Organisation - End Date](#)
  - and must not be in the future

#### 7.1.4. Service Contact

1. Where [Service Contact - Final](#) is recorded as '1: No further services are planned for the client in the current episode', the [Episode - Completion Status](#) must be recorded using one of the 'Episode closed' responses (Response items 1-6)
2. Where [Service Contact - Final](#) is recorded as '1: No further services are planned for the client in the current episode', the date of the [Service Contact - Final](#) must be recorded as the Episode End Date
3. Where an [Episode - End Date](#) has been recorded, a later [Service Contact - Date](#) must not be added
4. If [Service Contact - Type](#) is '0: No contact took place', [Service Contact - No Show](#) must be '1: Yes'
5. If [Service Contact - Duration](#) is '0: No contact took place', [Service Contact - No Show](#) must be '1: Yes'
6. If [Service Contact - Modality](#) is '0: No contact took place', [Service Contact - No Show](#) must be '1: Yes'
7. If [Service Contact - Modality](#) is not '1: Face to Face', [Service Contact - Postcode](#) must be 9999
8. If [Service Contact - Modality](#) is '1: Face to Face', [Service Contact - Postcode](#) must not be 9999
9. If [Service Contact - Modality](#) is '1: Face to Face', [Service Contact - Venue](#) must not be '98: Not applicable (Service Contact Modality is not face to face)'
10. On [Service Contact - Type](#) the value '98: ATAPS' must only be used where data has been migrated from ATAPS. The above response must only be used under the following conditions:
  - The [Service Contact - Date](#) was before 30 June 2018
  - The [Service Contact - Tags](#) field must contain the !ATAPS flag
11. If [Service Contact - Participants](#) is '1: Individual client' [Service Contact - Client Participation Indicator](#) must be '1: Yes'
12. The !ATAPS tag must only be included in the [Service Contact - Tags](#) field where the [Service Contact - Date](#) was before 30 June 2018
13. The [Service Contact - Date](#)
  - must not be before 1 January 2016
  - and must not be before [Provider Organisation - Start Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Provider Organisation - End Date](#)
  - and must not be in the future

#### 7.1.5. K10+

1. If both item scores and a total score are specified, the item scores must add up to the total score (as per [Scoring the K10+](#))
2. The [Collection Occasion - Measure Date](#)
  - must not be before 1 January 2016
  - and must not be before [Episode - Referral Date](#)
  - and must not be before [Provider Organisation - Start Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Episode - End Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Provider Organisation - End Date](#)
  - and must not be in the future

### 7.1.6. K5

1. If both item scores and a total score are specified, the item scores must add up to the total score (as per [Scoring the K5](#))
2. The [Collection Occasion - Measure Date](#)
  - must not be before 1 January 2016
  - and must not be before [Episode - Referral Date](#)
  - and must not be before [Provider Organisation - Start Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Episode - End Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Provider Organisation - End Date](#)
  - and must not be in the future

### 7.1.7. SDQ

1. Use the table at [SDQ Data Elements](#) to validate the items that are used in each version of the SDQ
2. If both item scores and subscales are specified, the sum of the items must agree with the subscales score (as per [Scoring the SDQ](#))
3. If both subscales and total score are specified, the sum of the subscales must agree with the total score (as per [Scoring the SDQ](#))
4. The [Collection Occasion - Measure Date](#)
  - must not be before 1 January 2016
  - and must not be before [Episode - Referral Date](#)
  - and must not be before [Provider Organisation - Start Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Episode - End Date](#)
  - and must not be after [Provider Organisation - End Date](#)
  - and must not be in the future



## 7.1.8. Organisation

### 1. The [Provider Organisation - Start Date](#)

- must not be before 1 January 2014 or before a commissioning organisation's start date
- and must not be after the earliest [Episode - Referral Date](#)
- and must not be after the earliest [Service Contact - Date](#)
- and must not be after the earliest [Collection Occasion - Measure Date](#)
- and must not be in the future

### 2. The [Provider Organisation - End Date](#)

- must not be before 1 January 2014 or after a commissioning organisation's end date
- and must not be before the latest [Episode - Referral Date](#)
- and must not be before the latest [Episode - End Date](#)
- and must not be before the latest [Service Contact - Date](#)
- and must not be before the latest [Collection Occasion - Measure Date](#)
- can be in the future

## 8. Test Data Sets

### 8.1. SLK Test Data Set

We are providing the following test data to allow developers to test their implementation of the SLK specification as defined at <https://docs.pmhc-mds.com/data-specification/data-model-and-specifications.html#client-statistical-linkage-key>.

#### 8.1.1. SLK Generation Test Data

Table 8.1 Summary of files to upload

Explanation	First name	Last name	Birth Day	Birth Month	Birth Year	Gender	Expected SLK
Everything there	John	Stevens	7	6	1954	1	TEEOH070619541
Everything there, padded day and month	John	Stevens	07	06	1954	2	TEEOH070619542
A short last name	John	Bo	7	6	1954	3	O22OH070619543
A short first name	Jo	Stevens	7	6	1954	9	TEEO2070619549
No last name	John		7	6	1954	1	999OH070619541
No first name		Stevens	7	6	1954	2	TEE99070619542
No names at all			7	6	1954	3	99999070619543
No gender	John	Stevens	7	6	1954	9	TEEOH070619549
Non-alpha characters in the name	Jo,hn	St' e-vens	7	6	1954	1	TEEOH070619541
No birth day	John	Stevens		6	1954	1	
No birth month	John	Stevens	7		1954	1	
No birth year	John	Stevens	7	6		1	
Non numeric inputs for dates	John	Stevens	a	b	1997`	z	
Default date of birth	John	Stevens	9	9	9999	1	TEEOH090999991

Explanation	First name	Last name	Birth Day	Birth Month	Birth Year	Gender	Expected SLK
UTF8 character in the name	John	Amélie	7	6	1954	3	MEIOH070619543

[Download SLK Generation Test Data as CSV.](#)

8.1.2. SLK Validation Test Data

Table 8.2 Summary of files to upload

Explanation	SLK	Valid/Invalid
Every component valid	TEEOH070619541	Valid
Valid with padded 2s	O22N2070619543	Valid
Valid with unknown names	99999070619543	Valid
Too short	TEEOH07061954	Invalid
Too long	99999010119993x	Invalid
Gender not valid	99999010119935	Invalid
Invalid date	99999999999999	Invalid

[Download SLK Validation Tests as CSV.](#)

## 9. Reserved Tags

This document defines the Department reserved tags used to identify specific records types in the Primary Mental Health Care Minimum Data Set (PMHC MDS). Tags beginning with an exclamation mark (!) are reserved for future use by the Department.

Tags field definitions for each record type are available in [Record formats](#).

### 9.1. !br20 - Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire

PHNs in fire affected communities are funded through the *Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire Trauma* to deliver services including:

- Front line emergency distress and trauma counselling, with up to 10 free mental health support sessions for individuals, families and emergency services personnel
- 'Surge capacity' mental health services to individuals and families who are affected, and
- Increased demand for headspace sites in fire affected areas.

The PMHC MDS reporting changes are designed to capture this funded service activity through the reserved Episode tag **!br20**.

#### 9.1.1. PHNs who received funding

PHNs funded through the *Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire Trauma* **must** apply the bushfire response tag to all episodes where one or more service contacts is funded by the response.

For these PHNs, the service provider should apply the bushfire response tag to:

##### 9.1.1.1. New clients

- Who are accessing services funded through the *Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire Trauma*
- Whose access to a mental health service was prompted by exposure to bushfire (e.g. their stated reason for approaching a service is their recent exposure to bushfire), and/or
- Whose mental health service need was significantly increased by their exposure to bushfire (e.g. based on the judgement of the service provider).

##### 9.1.1.2. Existing clients

i.e. clients with an open episode.

- Who are accessing services funded through the *Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire Trauma*, and/or
- Whose mental health service need was significantly increased by their exposure to bushfire (e.g. additional or higher intensity services are required).

### 9.1.2. PHNs who did not receive funding

PHNs who did not receive funding for *Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire Trauma* activities may use the PMHC MDS reporting changes to capture the service response to bushfire trauma.

For these PHNs, the service provider should apply the bushfire response tag to:

#### 9.1.2.1. New clients

- Whose access to a mental health service was prompted by exposure to bushfire (e.g. their stated reason for approaching a service is their recent exposure to bushfire), and/or
- Whose mental health service need was significantly increased by their exposure to bushfire (e.g. based on the judgement of the service provider).

#### 9.1.2.2. Existing clients

i.e. clients with an open episode.

- Whose mental health service need was significantly increased by their exposure to bushfire (e.g. additional or higher intensity services are required).

### 9.1.3. How to apply the tag in the PMHC MDS Data Entry interface

The bushfire response tag is available for use on an episode record and is denoted !br20.

There are two ways to apply the tag through the PMHC MDS data entry interface:

1. Manual data entry by typing the tag !br20 to the Episode tag field.
  - When entering data directly, episodes will need to be tagged with the string !br20. The data entry system already allows for the tagging of records and therefore it is possible to implement this immediately by communicating the instructions to users.
  - Please note the free text nature of the tag system increases the opportunity for errors because it is easy to mistype a tag. This should be emphasised in communications with users.
2. Tick the box labelled 'Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire'.
  - This tick box automatically adds/removes the tag when ticked/unticked. This functionality will be available by 24 January 2020.

The checkbox is on the Episode add and edit screen:

- Ticking the checkbox will add the `!br20` tag to the tag field
- Typing the `!br20` tag into the tag box will also tick the checkbox
- Unticking the `!br20` checkbox will remove the `!br20` tag
- Deleting the `!br20` tag from the tag field will also untick the checkbox

#### 9.1.4. Considerations for applying the tag in data uploads

Users of local third-party or in-house developed systems will need to address varying issues depending on the capability of the system. When considering options please be aware the PMHC MDS specification does not require that data is captured in the same manner as it is supplied during upload.

For example, an ideal solution could be to add an extensible multiple choice “Tags” field to local episode data entry screens. This could initially include an “Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire” option thereby providing the organisation control over the possible tags that can be captured. By ensuring that additional options were easily added in the future such a field would support future special access programs without significant changes, as well as other purposes local or as requested by the Department.

An alternative approach, requiring less development, would be to extend an existing local field at the episode level with an “Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire” option. This gives the organisation control over the values that may be selected.

In both of the above examples, development work would also be required in the data extraction process used to produce PMHC MDS compliant upload files. An endorsement of “Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire” via either method would be converted to the tag `!br20` on the extracted episode records where appropriate.

An alternative but not preferred option is that episode records could be uploaded and then subsequently manually tagged via the data entry interface. This would require significant manual processes and double handling but it is a use case supported by the PMHC MDS.

If you have queries about managing data upload processes please contact the PMHC MDS helpdesk at [support@pmhc-mds.com](mailto:support@pmhc-mds.com).

## 10. Data Specification Change log

### 10.1. 18/8/2020

- [Data model and specifications](#)
  - [Record formats](#)
    - Added [Collection Occasion - Tags](#)

### 10.2. 11/8/2020

- [Identifier management](#)
  - Added section [Managing Outcome Collection Occasion Keys](#)
- [Data model and specifications](#)
  - [Data model](#)
    - Updated the data model diagram to more accurately reflect the model between collection occasions and measures
  - [Record formats](#)
    - [Collection Occasion Key](#)

### 10.3. 23/1/2020

- [Reserved Tags](#)
  - Added [!br20 - Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire](#)

### 10.4. 9/9/2019

- [Key concepts](#)
  - [Service Contact](#)
    - Added [Attended Service Contact](#)

### 10.5. 14/8/2019

- [Validation Rules](#)
  - [Service Contact Current Validations](#)
    - Added individual notes where '0: No contact took place' is selected in any field, that [Service Contact - No Show](#) must be '1: Yes'

### 10.6. 21/6/2019

- [Validation Rules](#)
  - Moved SDQ Future Validations to the [SDQ Current Validations](#).
    - Subscale and total difficulties scores are now calculated/validated against item scores provided, as per [Scoring the SDQ](#).

## 10.7. 22/3/2019 - Version 2.0

- [Data model and specifications](#)
  - [Record formats](#)
    - Added [Metadata](#)
    - [Provider Organisation](#)
      - Removed Provider Organisation - Organisation Status
      - Added [Provider Organisation - Start Date](#)
      - Added [Provider Organisation - End Date](#)
    - [Episode](#)
      - Added [Episode - Continuity of Support](#)
- [Upload specification](#)
  - Updated [File format](#) to remove the requirement that the first row of each file/worksheet must include the columns Version,1.0. The first row must now contain the column headings as defined for each file type.
  - Added [Metadata file](#)