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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, Service Contact and Outcome Collection Occasion Keys

The [Practitioner Key](#), [Episode Key](#), [Service Contact Key](#) and [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.

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

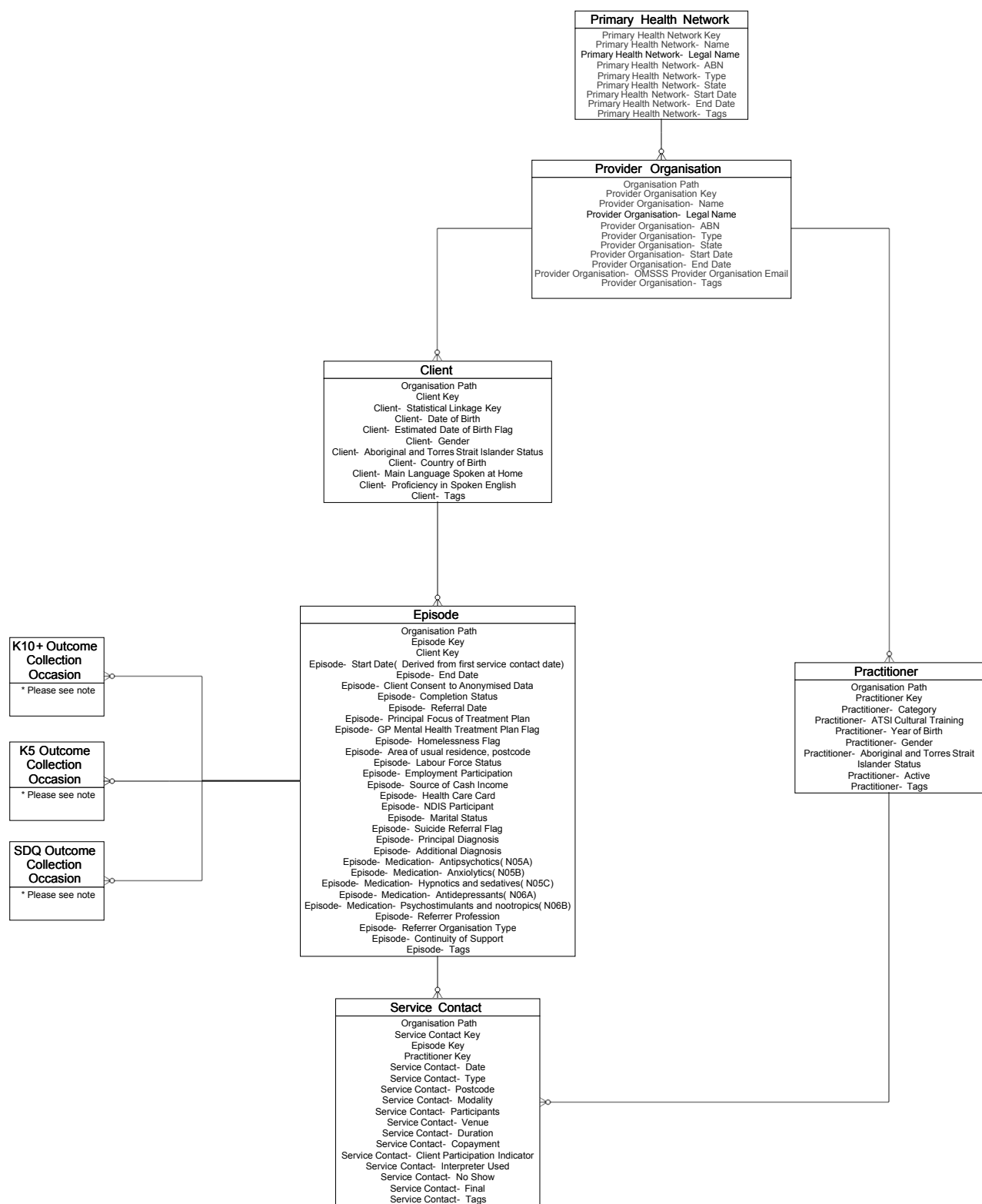


Fig. 3.1 PMHC data model

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

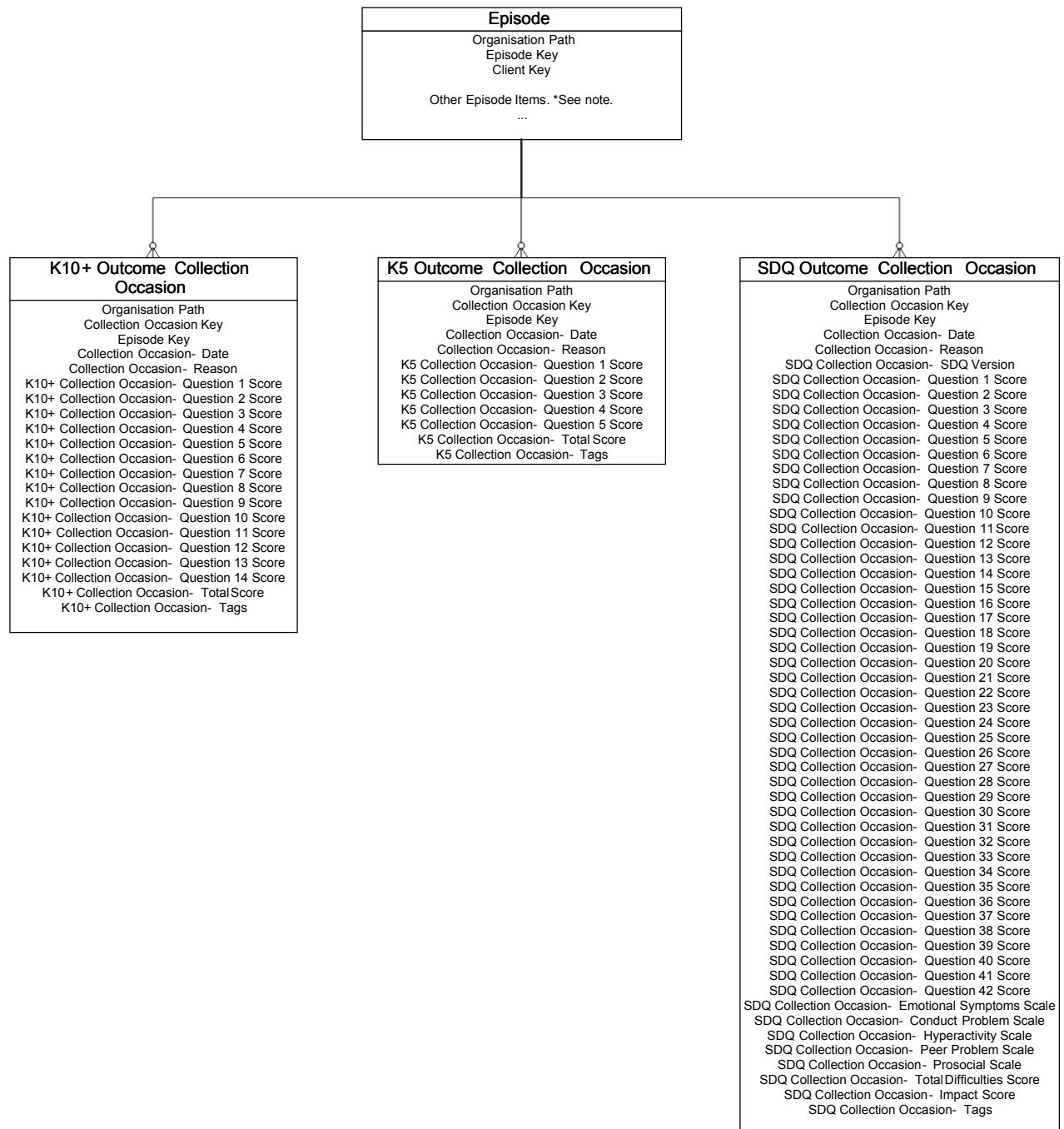


Fig. 3.2 PMHC Collection Occasion data model

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 |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------|----------------------|
| Key (key) | string | yes | A metadata key name. |
| Value (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 |

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. |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|---|----------------|----------|---|
| 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 |
|---|----------------|----------|---|
| Provider Organisation - State (organisation_state) METeOR: 613718 | 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 |
| Provider Organisation - Start Date (organisation_start_date) | date | yes | The date on which a provider organisation started delivering services. |
| Provider Organisation - End Date (organisation_end_date) | date | yes | The date on which a provider organisation stopped delivering services. |
| Provider Organisation - Tags (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 |
|--|----------------|----------|---|
| 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. |

| 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 |
|---|----------------|----------|---|
| Practitioner - Year of Birth (practitioner_year_of_birth) | gYear | yes | gYear |
| Practitioner - Gender (practitioner_gender) ABS | string | yes | 0: Not stated/ Inadequately described 1: Male 2: Female 3: Other |
| Practitioner - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Status (practitioner_atsi_status) METeOR: 291036 | 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 |
| Practitioner - Active (practitioner_active) | string | yes | 0: Inactive 1: Active |
| Practitioner - Tags (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 |
|---|----------------|----------|---|
| 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. |
| Client Key (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. |
| Client - Statistical Linkage Key (slk) METeOR: 349510 | string (14,40) | yes | A key that enables two or more records belonging to the same individual to be brought together. |
| Client - Date of Birth (date_of_birth) METeOR: 287007 | date | yes | The date on which an individual was born. |
| Client - Estimated Date of Birth Flag (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> |
| Client - Gender (client_gender) ABS | 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_atsi_status)</p> <p>METeOR: 291036</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: 459973</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 |
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| | | | 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 |
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| | | | 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: 460125</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 |
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| | | | 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 |
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| | | | 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 |
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| | | | 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 |
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| | | | 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 |
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| | | | 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 |
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| | | | 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: Krahm |
| | | | 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 |
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| | | | 9799: Sign Languages, nec 9999: Unknown |
| Client - Proficiency in Spoken English (prof_english) METeOR: 270203 | string | yes | 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 |
| Client - Tags (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 |
|--|----------------|----------|---|
| 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. |
| Episode Key (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. |
| Client Key (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 |
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| Episode - End Date (episode_end_date) METeOR: 614094 | date | — | The date on which an <i>Episode of Care</i> is formally or administratively ended |
| Episode - Client Consent to Anonymised Data (client_consent) | string | yes | 1: Yes 2: No |
| Episode - Completion Status (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 |
| Episode - Referral Date (referral_date) | date | — | The date the referrer made the referral. |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|--|----------------|----------|---|
| Episode - Principal Focus of Treatment Plan (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 |
| Episode - GP Mental Health Treatment Plan Flag (mental_health_treatment_plan) | string | yes | 1: Yes 2: No 3: Unknown 9: Not stated/ inadequately described |
| Episode - Homelessness Flag (homelessness) | string | yes | 1: Sleeping rough or in non-conventional accommodation 2: Short-term or emergency accommodation 3: Not homeless 9: Not stated / Missing |
| Episode - Area of usual residence, postcode (client_postcode) METeOR: 429894 | string | yes | The Australian postcode of the client. |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|---|----------------|----------|--|
| Episode - Labour Force Status (labour_force_status) METeOR: 621450 | string | yes | 1: Employed 2: Unemployed 3: Not in the Labour Force 9: Not stated/ inadequately described |
| Episode - Employment Participation (employment_participation) METeOR: 269950 | string | yes | 1: Full-time 2: Part-time 3: Not applicable - not in the labour force 9: Not stated/ inadequately described |
| Episode - Source of Cash Income (income_source) METeOR: 386449 | 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 |
| Episode - Health Care Card (health_care_card) METeOR: 605149 | string | yes | 1: Yes 2: No 3: Not Known 9: Not stated |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|--|----------------|----------|--|
| Episode - NDIS Participant (ndis_participant) | string | yes | 1: Yes 2: No 9: Not stated/ inadequately described |
| Episode - Marital Status (marital_status) METeOR: 291045 | string | yes | 1: Never married 2: Widowed 3: Divorced 4: Separated 5: Married (registered and de facto) 6: Not stated/ inadequately described |
| Episode - Suicide Referral Flag (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 | <p>1: General Practice</p> <p>2: Medical Specialist Consulting Rooms</p> <p>3: Private practice</p> <p>4: Public mental health service</p> <p>5: Public Hospital</p> <p>6: Private Hospital</p> <p>7: Emergency Department</p> <p>8: Community Health Centre</p> <p>9: Drug and Alcohol Service</p> <p>10: Community Support Organisation NFP</p> <p>11: Indigenous Health Organisation</p> <p>12: Child and Maternal Health</p> <p>13: Nursing Service</p> <p>14: Telephone helpline</p> <p>15: Digital health service</p> <p>16: Family Support Service</p> <p>17: School</p> <p>18: Tertiary Education institution</p> <p>19: Housing service</p> <p>20: Centrelink</p> <p>21: Other</p> <p>98: N/A - Self referral</p> <p>99: Not stated</p> |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|--|----------------|----------|--|
| Episode - Continuity of Support (continuity_of_support) | string | yes | 1: Yes 2: No 9: Not stated/ inadequately described |
| Episode - Tags (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 |
|--|----------------|----------|---|
| 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. |
| Service Contact Key (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. |
| Episode Key (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. |
| Practitioner Key (practitioner_key) | string (2,50) | yes | A unique identifier for a practitioner within the provider organisation. |
| Service Contact - Date (service_contact_date) METeOR: 494356 | 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 |
|--|----------------|----------|--|
| Service Contact - Type (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> |
| Service Contact - Postcode (service_contact_postcode) METeOR: 429894 | string | yes | The Australian postcode where the service contact took place. |
| Service Contact - Modality (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 |
|--|----------------|----------|---|
| Service Contact - Participants (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 |
|--|----------------|----------|---|
| Service Contact - Venue (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 |
|---|----------------|----------|--|
| Service Contact - Duration (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 |
| Service Contact - Copayment (service_contact_copayment) | number | yes | 0 - 999999.99 |
| Service Contact - Client Participation Indicator (service_contact_participation_indicator) METeOR: 494341 | string | yes | 1: Yes 2: No |
| Service Contact - Interpreter Used (service_contact_interpreter) | string | yes | 1: Yes 2: No 9: Not stated |
| Service Contact - No Show (service_contact_no_show) | string | yes | 1: Yes 2: No |
| Service Contact - Final (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 |
| Service Contact - Tags (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. 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 | |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|---|----------------|----------|---|
| 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 |
| 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 |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| 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 |
| K10+ - Question 5 (k10p_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 |
| K10+ - Question 6 (k10p_item6) | 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 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> |
| K10+ - Question 8 (k10p_item8) | 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 9 (k10p_item9) | 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 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 |
| 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'.

3.3.7.2. 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. |
| 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 |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| 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 |
| 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 |

| Data Element (Field Name) | Type (min,max) | Required | Format / Values |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------|---|
| 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. |

3.3.7.3. 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.

3.3.7.3.1. 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 | |
| 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 | |

| | | 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 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

3.3.7.3.2. 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 items 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 |
|---|----------------|----------|--|
| 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 |

| 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 |
|---|----------------|----------|--|
| SDQ - Question 32 (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 |
| SDQ - Question 33 (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 |
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| 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

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| 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:

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| Notes: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primarily when importing data from other data collections that do not contain mappable data. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where an answer was refused. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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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3.4.2. 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

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| 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

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| 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

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| 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>

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](#)

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
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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>

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](#)

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:

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| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 4302: | Azeri |
| 4303: | Tatar |
| 4304: | Turkmen |
| 4305: | Uygur |
| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 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 |

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| 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) |

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| 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) |

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| 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>

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

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| Domain: | 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](#)

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](#)

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`.

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.

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. See [Managing Collection Occasion Keys](#)

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

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:

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| 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 |

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| 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.

3.4.15. Episode - Area of usual residence, postcode

The Australian postcode of the client.

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| 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 Australia Post . |
| 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: | 429894 |

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.

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| 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.

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.

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.

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](#)

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](#)

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 |

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](#)

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

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](#).

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 |
| Domain: | 1: Employed |
| | 2: Unemployed |
| | 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)

METeOR: [621450](#)

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 |
| Domain: | 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.

METeOR: [291045](#)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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
- Domain:** 5: Child and youth-specific mental health services
- 6: Indigenous-specific mental health services
- 7: Other
- 8: Psychosocial Support

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.

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.

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.

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'.

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 |

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`.

3.4.41. Key

A metadata key name.

Field name: key

Data type: string

Required: yes

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'

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'

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'

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'

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'

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'

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`.

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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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'

3.4.50. K10+ - Question 2

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

Field name: k10p_item2

Data type: string

Required: yes

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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'

3.4.51. 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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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'

3.4.52. K10+ - Question 4

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

Field name: k10p_item4

Data type: string

Required: yes

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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'

3.4.53. 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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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'

3.4.56. 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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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'

3.4.57. 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

| | | |
|----------------|----|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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

| | | |
|----------------|----|----------------------|
| Domain: | 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.

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.

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.

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

| | | |
|----------------|----|----------------------|
| | 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 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.

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'.

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`.

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.

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 |

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 |

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.

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>

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.

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`.

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.

3.4.75. Provider Organisation - ABN

The Australian Business Number of the provider organisation.

Field name: organisation_abn

Data type: string (11)

Required: yes

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](#).

3.4.77. Provider Organisation - Legal Name

The legal name of the provider organisation.

Field name: organisation_legal_name

Data type: string

Required: no

3.4.78. Provider Organisation - Name

The name of the provider organisation.

Field name: organisation_name

Data type: string (2,100)

Required: yes

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](#).

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`.

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.

3.4.83. SDQ Collection Occasion - Version

The version of the SDQ collected.

Field name: sdq_version

Data type: string

Required: 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 |
| Domain: | 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 |

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

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|---|
| 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'.

3.4.91. 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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|---|
| 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'.

3.4.92. 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

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| 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'.

3.4.93. 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.

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| Field name: | sdq_item4 |
| 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'.

3.4.94. 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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| 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'.

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.

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| Field name: | sdq_item15 |
| 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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|---|
| 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'.

3.4.115. 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

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|---|
| Domain: | 0: | No |
| | 1: | Yes - minor difficulties |
| | 2: | Yes - definite difficulties |
| | 3: | Yes - severe difficulties |
| | 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'.

3.4.116. 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'.

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'.

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'.

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

| | | |
|----------------|----|---|
| 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'.

3.4.120. 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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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

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'.

3.4.126. SDQ - Question 37

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

Field name: sdq_item37

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'.

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'.

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'.

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'.

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`.

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'.

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

| | |
|-------------------|--------|
| Data type: | string |
| Required: | yes |
| | 1: Yes |
| Domain: | 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'.

METeOR: [494341](#)

3.4.135. Service Contact - Copayment

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

| | |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Field name: | service_contact_copayment |
| Data type: | number |
| Required: | yes |
| Domain: | 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](#)

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.

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.

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.

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 Postcode. The unknown postcode is not valid.

Notes:

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.

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

Domain:

| | |
|----|-----|
| 1: | Yes |
| 2: | No |

1 - Yes

The intended participant(s) failed to attend the appointment.

Notes:

2 - No

The intended participant(s) attended the appointment.

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 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1: Individual client 2: Client group 3: Family / Client Support Network |
| Domain: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4: Other health professional or service provider 5: Other 9: Not stated |

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.

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.

METeOR: [429894](#)

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`.

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.

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.

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.

3.4.148. Value

The metadata value.

Field name: value

Data type: string

Required: yes

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 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.

The domain of individual Tags fields is defined 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 reserved Episode tag **!br20** is designed to capture this funded service activity in the PMHC MDS.

Both new and existing clients are in scope of the reporting changes.

9.1.1. PHNs who received funding through the Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire Trauma

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.

The PHN should apply the bushfire response tag to:

- **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).
- **Existing clients**
 - 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 through the Australian Government Mental Health Response to Bushfire Trauma

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:

- **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).
- **Existing clients**
 - 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.

There are two ways to apply the tag through the PMHC MDS data entry interface:

1. 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.
2. 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.

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 on support@pmhc-mds.com.

10. Data Specification Change log

10.1. 9/9/2019

- [Key concepts](#)
 - [Service Contact](#)
 - Added [Attended Service Contact](#)

10.2. 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'

10.3. 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](#).

10.4. 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](#)