ID 58838: British Sign Language (BSL) users (Scotland) revised specification

Type	Entity
Name	British Sign Language user

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Name	Language Proficiency
Description	This entity records a Student's ability to communicate in a given language.
Applicable to	Wales and Scotland
Coverage	All Students at provider in Wales where (ContactPurpose.CONTACTTYPEID = 01 and associated PersonAddress.COUNTRYID = XI) and StudentRegistration.INCOMINGEXCHANGE does not exist. All Students at providers in Scotland where (ContactPurpose.CONTACTTYPEID = 01 and associated PersonAddress.COUNTRYID = XF, XG, XH, XI, XK, XL, GG, JE, IM) where the student is a BSL user.
Notes	This entity records the student's proficiency in a given language. For providers in Wales This is required for students with a permanent home address on entry in Wales studying at Welsh providers. Providers in Wales are required to return the entity for each of the proficiency type that a student has and the level (or ability) is only returned where the proficiency type is 02 'Speak' It is expected that this entity would be updated during the lifetime of an Engagement to allow for a student to become more proficient over time. For providers in Scotland Providers in Scotland are required to collect information about whether students with a permanent home address in the UK are British Sign Language (BSL) users. The Scottish Government have defined a BSL user as a 'deaf and/or deafblind person (someone who received the language in a tactile form due to sight loss) whose first or preferred language is British Sign Language'.

	It is expected that this entity would be updated during the lifetime of an Engagement.
Reason required	To enable monitoring of Welsh speaking students in Wales. To monitor the number of users of British Sign Language at Scottish providers to aid the Scottish Government's policy regarding improving the experience of BSL users in Scotland.
Part of	Student
Has parts	Language identifier (LANGUAGEID) **First or preferred language marker (PREFLANGUAGE)** Proficiency type (PROFICIENCYTYPE) Level of proficiency (PROFICIENCYLEVEL)

Type	Field
Short name	LANGUAGEID
Long name	Language identifier
Description	This describes the language in which the Student's proficiency is recorded.
Applicable to	Wales and Scotland
Coverage	All Language Proficiency entities
Valid entries and labels	<table><tr><td>Code</td><td>Label</td></tr><tr><td>01</td><td>Welsh</td></tr><tr><td>02</td><td>British Sign Language</td></tr></table>
Notes	This field records the language that the student's proficiency is being recorded in. This entity currently only collects details of proficiency in Welsh for providers in Wales and British Sign Language for providers in Scotland.
Reason required	To enable monitoring of Welsh speaking Students in Wales. To monitor the number of users of British Sign Language at Scottish providers to aid the Scottish Government's policy regarding improving the experience of BSL users in Scotland.
Part of	LanguageProficiency
Field length	2

Type	Field
Short name	**PREFLANGUAGE**
Long name	First or preferred language marker
Description	This field records where the language is the student's first or preferred language
Applicable to	Scotland
Coverage	All LanguageProficiency entities where LanguageProficiency.LANGUAGEID = 02
Valid entries and labels	<table><tr><td>Code</td><td>Label</td></tr><tr><td>01</td><td>First or preferred language</td></tr></table>

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Reason required	To monitor the number of users of British Sign Language at Scottish providers to aid the Scottish Government's policy regarding improving the experience of BSL users in Scotland.
Part of	LanguageProficiency
Field length	02

Type	Field
Short name	PROFICIENCYTYPE
Long name	Proficiency Type
Description	This field records the type of proficiency the Student has in the language indicated in LanguageProficiency.LANGUAGEID
Applicable to	Wales and Scotland
Coverage	All LanguageProficiency entities
Valid entries and labels	<table><tr><td>Code</td><td>Label</td></tr><tr><td>01</td><td>Understand spoken word</td></tr><tr><td>02</td><td>Speak</td></tr><tr><td>03</td><td>Read</td></tr><tr><td>04</td><td>Write</td></tr><tr><td>06</td><td>Sign</td></tr><tr><td>96</td><td>None of the above</td></tr><tr><td>99</td><td>Not available</td></tr></table>
Notes	This field records the proficiency type that the student holds based on their own self assessment. Providers in Wales are required to return the entity for each of the proficiency types that a student has and the level (or ability) is only returned in LanguageProficiency.PROFICIENCYLEVEL where the proficiency type is 02. Code 06 'Sign' is only applicable to providers in Scotland where the LanguageProficiency.LANGUAGEID = 02. It is expected that this field and the associated Level field will be updated during the lifetime of an Engagement. 99 will be used where the provider does not know the information.
Reason required	To enable monitoring of Welsh Student's ability to communicate in Welsh. To monitor the number of users of British Sign Language at Scottish providers to aid the Scottish Government's policy regarding improving the experience of BSL users in Scotland.
Part of	LanguageProficiency
Field length	02

Type	Field

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Short name	PROFICIENCYLEVEL
Long name	Proficiency Level
Description	This describes the Students ability to speak in the language indicated in LanguageProficiency.LANGUAGEID.
Applicable to	Wales
Coverage	All LanguageProficiency entities where LanguageProficiency.PROFICIENCYTYPE = 02
Valid entries and labels	<table><tr><td>Code</td><td>Label</td></tr><tr><td>01</td><td>Fluent</td></tr><tr><td>02</td><td>Can speak a fair amount</td></tr><tr><td>03</td><td>Can only speak a little</td></tr><tr><td>04</td><td>Can just say a few words</td></tr><tr><td>99</td><td>Not available</td></tr></table>
Notes	This field records the level of proficiency the student holds based on their own self-assessment. It is expected that this field will be updated during the lifetime of an engagement to allow for a student to become more proficient over time. 99 must be returned where the data is not known by the provider.
Reason required	To enable monitoring of Welsh Student's ability to communicate in Welsh.
Part of	LanguageProficiency
Field length	02