
Cancer staging - TNM stage grouping code

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD
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Definition: The stage grouping defines the anatomical extent of disease at diagnosis based on the previously coded T, N and M stage categories.
Context: For survival analysis adjusted by stage at diagnosis and distribution of cancer cases by type and stage.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Alphanumeric
Representational form: CODE
Representation layout: AN(4)
Minimum Size:
Maximum Size: 4
Data Domain: 8888 Not applicable
 9999 Unknown, Stage X
 NOVAL Valid stage grouping codes from the current edition of the UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours.
Guide For Use: Refer to the UICC reference manual TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours for coding rules.
Choose the lower (less advanced) stage grouping when there is any uncertainty.
Collection Methods: From information provided by the treating doctor and recorded on the patient's medical record.
