# Cancer staging - TNM stage grouping code

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## Identifying and Definitional Attributes

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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 CODE

form:

Representation AN(4)

layout:

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.

#### Administrative Attributes

Source Document: UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours (5th Edition)

(1997).

Commission on Cancer, Standards of the Commission on Cancer Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS) Volume II

(1998).

Source Organisation: International Union Against Cancer (UICC).

Commission on Cancer American College of Surgeons.

#### Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM Physical wellbeing

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

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