

# DSS - Cancer (clinical)

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**Start date:** 04-JUN-04

**End date:**

**Scope:** This Cancer (clinical) data set specification is not mandated for collection but is recommended as best practice if cancer clinical data are to be collected.

The Cancer (clinical) data set underpins the evaluation of cancer treatment services and this can occur at a number of levels; the individual clinician, the health care institution, at state or territory level and ultimately at a national level.

Clinicians use such data for ongoing patient management and the ability to link patient management to outcomes allows treatments or outcomes to be identified and assessed. Institutions can monitor through-put in their centres for planning and resource allocation purposes to obtain optimum return for cancer expenditure. End-points can be monitored to ensure that objectives are being met.

The principal aim of good-quality and consistent data is to provide information that can lead to improved quality and length of life for all patients by providing a systematic foundation for evidence-based medicine, informing quality assurance and improvement decisions and guiding successful planning and evaluation of cancer control activities.

## Collection

**methodology:** This data set is primarily concerned with the clinical use of cancer data. It can also be used by a wider range of health and health-related establishments that create, use, or maintain records on health-care clients.

## Source

**organisation:** National Cancer Control Initiative (NCCI)

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### *Data elements linked to this Data set specification*

Name	Data	Reg.	ID	Vers	Type	Current
Address line	NHDD	NHIMG	000786	1	Data	Current

Cancer initial treatment - completion date	NHDD	NHIMG	001055	1	Element Data Element	Current
Cancer initial treatment - starting date	NHDD	NHIMG	001056	1	Data Element	Current
Cancer staging - M stage code	NHDD	NHIMG	001057	1	Data Element	Current
Cancer staging - N stage code	NHDD	NHIMG	001058	1	Data Element	Current
Cancer staging - T stage code	NHDD	NHIMG	001059	1	Data Element	Current
Cancer staging - TNM stage grouping code	NHDD	NHIMG	001060	1	Data Element	Current
Cancer treatment - target site	NHDD	NHIMG	001062	1	Data Element	Current
Cancer treatment type	NHDD	NHIMG	001061	1	Data Element	Current
Date of birth	Int. NCSDD & NHDD	NCSIMG & NHIMG	002005	5	Data Element	Current
Date of death	NHDD	NHIMG	001063	1	Data Element	Current
Date of diagnosis of cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	000771	1	Data Element	Current
Date of diagnosis of first recurrence	NHDD	NHIMG	001064	1	Data Element	Current
Date of surgical treatment for cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	001065	1	Data Element	Current
Establishment number	NHDD	NHIMG	000377	4	Data Element	Current
Family name	Int. NCSDD & NHDD	NCSIMG & NHIMG	002007	2	Data Element	Current
Given name(s)	Int. NCSDD & NHDD	NCSIMG & NHIMG	002008	2	Data Element	Current
Histopathological grade	NHDD	NHIMG	001066	1	Data Element	Current
Initial treatment episode for cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	001067	1	Data Element Concept	Current
Intention of treatment for cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	001068	1	Data Element	Current
Laterality of primary cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	000774	1	Data Element	Current
Medicare card number	NHDD	NHIMG	000091	2	Data Element	Current
Morphology of cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	000775	1	Data Element	Current

Most valid basis of diagnosis of cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	000861	1	Data Element	Current
Oestrogen receptor assay status	NHDD	NHIMG	001069	1	Data Element	Current
Outcome of initial treatment	NHDD	NHIMG	001070	1	Data Element	Current
Person identifier	Int. NCSDD & NHDD	NCSIMG & NHIMG	002020	2	Data Element	Current
Primary site of cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	000776	1	Data Element	Current
Progesterone receptor assay status	NHDD	NHIMG	001072	1	Data Element	Current
Radiotherapy treatment type	NHDD	NHIMG	001073	1	Data Element	Current
Received radiation dose	NHDD	NHIMG	001074	1	Data Element	Current
Region of first recurrence	NHDD	NHIMG	001075	1	Data Element	Current
Regional lymph nodes examined	NHDD	NHIMG	001076	1	Data Element	Current
Regional lymph nodes positive	NHDD	NHIMG	001077	1	Data Element	Current
Sex	Int. NCSDD & NHDD	NCSIMG & NHIMG	002024	4	Data Element	Current
Staging basis	NHDD	NHIMG	001079	1	Data Element	Current
Staging scheme source	NHDD	NHIMG	001080	1	Data Element	Current
Staging scheme source edition number	NHDD	NHIMG	001081	1	Data Element	Current
Surgical treatment procedure for cancer	NHDD	NHIMG	001082	1	Data Element	Current
Systemic therapy agent name	NHDD	NHIMG	001083	1	Data Element	Current
Tumour size at diagnosis - solid tumours	NHDD	NHIMG	000778	1	Data Element	Current
Tumour thickness at diagnosis - melanoma	NHDD	NHIMG	000779	1	Data Element	Current