

Patient—diagnosis date of first recurrence as distant metastasis, DDMMYYYY

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Date of diagnosis of first recurrence as distant metastasis
METEOR identifier:	393841
Registration status:	HealthI , Standard 07/12/2011
Definition:	The date on which a patient is diagnosed with the first recurrence as a distant metastasis of the same histology as the primary cancer, expressed as DDMMYYYY.
Data Element Concept:	Patient—diagnosis date of first recurrence as distant metastasis
Value Domain:	Date DDMMYYYY

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Date
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	DDMMYYYY
Maximum character length:	8

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Record the date the first recurrence as distant metastasis is diagnosed.

The term recurrence defines the return, reappearance or metastasis of cancer (of the same histology) after a disease-free intermission or remission.

Distant metastasis refers to the spread of cancer of the same histology as the original (primary) tumour to distant organs or distant lymph nodes.

The date is based on the most definitive diagnostic information available and ideally will correspond to the date of the investigation recorded in data element *Person with cancer—most valid basis of diagnosis of the first recurrence, code N*. For instance, record the date of the first histological or, if unavailable, cytological investigation confirming the diagnosis of recurrence. If these investigations have not been performed, record the date of confirmation by clinical investigation.

This information should be obtained from the patient's medical record. In the first instance, the diagnosis date should be derived from the relevant investigation report; for example, tissue diagnosis from the pathology report and imaging from the imaging reports.

If the diagnosis is made on the basis of clinical examination, record the date this is performed. For example, this may be the date of a consultation, an outpatient appointment or the date the patient is admitted to hospital.

If the patient was diagnosed by clinical examination and/or investigations performed elsewhere, the date may be found in a letter of referral from a recognised medical practitioner or dentist. Usually the relevant test result, if applicable, will be attached to this.

In some cases, the date the patient states they were diagnosed with recurrence will be the only date available and should be recorded here. For example, the patient may have been diagnosed whilst overseas.

If components of the date are not known, an estimate should be provided where possible with an estimated date flag to indicate that it is estimated. If an estimated date is not possible, a standard date of 15 June 1900 should be used with a flag to indicate the date is not known.

Collection methods:

This information should be obtained from the patient's medical record.

Comments:

This data item is used to measure the efficacy of the initial course of treatment through evaluating the time interval from diagnosis to recurrence, treatment to recurrence and recurrence to death.

Source and reference attributes**Submitting organisation:**

Cancer Australia

Origin:

Commission on Cancer, American College of Surgeons

Reference documents:

American College of Surgeons 1998. Standards of the Commission on Cancer: Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS), Volume II, Commission on Cancer

Relational attributes**Related metadata references:**

See also [Patient—diagnosis date of first recurrence as locoregional cancer, DDMMYYYY](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 07/12/2011

See also [Person with cancer—most valid basis of diagnosis of the first recurrence, code N](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 07/12/2011

See also [Person with cancer—region of first recurrence as distant metastasis, topography code \(ICD-O-3\) ANN.N](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 07/12/2011

See also [Person with cancer—region of first recurrence as locoregional cancer, topography code \(ICD-O-3\) ANN.N](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 07/12/2011

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS](#)

[Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014

Conditional obligation: Conditional on the patient being diagnosed with recurrence involving a distant metastasis.

[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS](#)

[Health!](#), Superseded 14/05/2015

Conditional obligation: Conditional on the patient being diagnosed with recurrence involving a distant metastasis.

[Cancer \(clinical\) NBPDS](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 14/05/2015

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Conditional on the patient being diagnosed with recurrence involving a distant metastasis.