

Patient—cancer status, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Cancer status
METEOR identifier:	394071
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 07/12/2011
Definition:	The absence or presence of clinical evidence of cancer in the patient, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Patient—cancer status
Value Domain:	Cancer status code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	No evidence of cancer
	2	Evidence of cancer
Supplementary values:	8	Unknown whether there is evidence of cancer
	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>Record whether or not there is clinical evidence of cancer in the patient at the date of last contact or death.</p> <p>Cancer status changes if the patient has a recurrence or relapse and the record should be updated.</p> <p>The patient's cancer status should be changed only if new information is received from an official source. If information is obtained from the patient, a family member or other non-physician, then cancer status is not updated.</p> <p>If the patient has multiple primary cancers, each primary should have the appropriate cancer status recorded.</p> <p>For patients with hematopoietic disease who are in remission, code as 1-no evidence of this cancer.</p>
Collection methods:	This information should be collected from the patient's medical record.
Comments:	This information is used for patient follow-up and outcome studies.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Cancer Australia
Reference documents: American College of Surgeons 2002. Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS), 2009 revision. Commission on Cancer

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Patient—date of last contact, DDMMYYYY Health!](#), Standard 07/12/2011

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health!](#), Superseded 06/09/2018
DSS specific information: Codes 8 and 9 are not used in the Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster.

[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health!](#), Superseded 16/01/2020
DSS specific information:
Codes 8 and 9 are not used in the Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster.

[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health!](#), Standard 17/12/2021
DSS specific information:
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[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014

[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS Health!](#), Superseded 14/05/2015

[Cancer \(clinical\) NBPDS Health!](#), Standard 14/05/2015

Implementation in Indicators: **Used as Numerator**
[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 04-Time between positive screen and diagnostic assessment Health!](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 06a-Colorectal cancer detection rate Health!](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 06a-Colorectal cancer detection rate Health!](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 06b-Positive predictive value of diagnostic assessment for detecting colorectal cancer Health!](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 07-Interval cancer rate Health!](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 07-Interval cancer rate Health!](#), Superseded 06/09/2018