

# Patient—cancer status, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Cancer status
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	394071
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 07/12/2011
<b>Definition:</b>	The absence or presence of clinical evidence of cancer in the patient, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Data element concept:</b>	<a href="#">Patient—cancer status</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	394065
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 07/12/2011
<b>Definition:</b>	The absence or presence of clinical evidence of cancer in the patient.
<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Patient</a>
<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Cancer status</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Value domain:</b>	<a href="#">Cancer status code N</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	394069
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 07/12/2011
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing the patient's cancer status.

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1

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

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** Record whether or not there is clinical evidence of cancer in the patient at the date of last contact or death.

Cancer status changes if the patient has a recurrence or relapse and the record should be updated.

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.

If the patient has multiple primary cancers, each primary should have the appropriate cancer status recorded.

For patients with hematopoietic disease who are in remission, code as 1-no evidence of this cancer.

**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

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[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health!](#), Standard 17/12/2021

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[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health!](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

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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