

Cancer treatment—cancer treatment type, code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Cancer treatment type
METEOR identifier:	399629
Registration status:	Health! , Superseded 08/05/2014
Definition:	The type of treatment administered during the initial course of treatment for cancer, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Cancer treatment—cancer treatment type
Value Domain:	Cancer treatment type code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Surgery only
	2	Radiotherapy only
	3	Systemic agent therapy only
	4	Surgery and radiotherapy
	5	Surgery and systemic agent therapy
	6	Radiotherapy and systemic agent therapy
	7	Surgery, radiotherapy and systemic agent therapy
Supplementary values:	97	Not applicable—treatment was not administered
	98	Unknown whether treatment was administered
	99	Treatment was administered but the type was not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: More than one treatment type may be administered during the initial course of treatment; select the appropriate code value.

Systemic agent therapy includes:

- chemotherapy
- hormone therapy
- immunotherapy

Surgery includes:

- surgical procedure for cancer
- systemic therapy procedure involving surgery

A systemic therapy procedure is a medical, surgical or radiation procedure that has an effect on the hormonal or immunologic balance of the patient.

Treatments other than surgery, radiotherapy or systemic agent therapy administered as part of the initial course of treatment are recorded separately.

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, 28E

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: All treatments administered to the patient during the initial course of cancer treatment should be recorded. The initial course of treatment includes all treatments administered to the patient from diagnosis and before disease progression or recurrence.

When the patient has received treatment for cancer and codes 1 to 7 are recorded, the relevant treatment information for each treatment modality should also be collected.

Cancer-directed treatments administered to the patient during the initial course of treatment that cannot be characterised as surgery, radiotherapy or systemic therapy according to the definitions in this data set specification, are recorded separately in the data element *Cancer treatment—other cancer treatment, text [X(150)]*.

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

Comments: The collection of specific treatment information is useful to evaluate patterns of care, the effectiveness of different treatment modalities, and treatment by patient outcome.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: Commission on Cancer, American College of Surgeons
New South Wales Health Department

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

Public Health Division 2001. NSW Clinical Cancer Data Collection for Outcomes and Quality. Data Dictionary Version 1. Sydney: NSW Health Department

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

- Supersedes [Cancer treatment—cancer treatment type, code N Health!](#), Superseded 07/12/2011
- Has been superseded by [Cancer treatment—cancer treatment type, code N\[N\] Health!](#), Standard 08/05/2014
- See also [Cancer treatment—other cancer treatment, text \[X\(150\)\] Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014
- See also [Chemotherapy for cancer cluster Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014
- See also [Hormone therapy for cancer cluster Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014
- See also [Hormone therapy for cancer cluster Health!](#), Standard 08/05/2014
- See also [Immunotherapy for cancer cluster Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014
- See also [Radiotherapy for cancer cluster Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014
- See also [Surgery for cancer cluster Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014
- See also [Systemic therapy procedure for cancer cluster Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

- [Cancer \(clinical\) DSS Health!](#), Superseded 08/05/2014