

# Radiotherapy treatment type code N[N]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Value Domain
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	402063
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Superseded 08/05/2014
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing the type of <a href="#">radiotherapy</a> treatment given.

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	Number	
<b>Format:</b>	N[N]	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	2	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	External beam radiotherapy only
	2	Brachytherapy only
	3	Unsealed radioisotopes only
	4	External beam radiotherapy and brachytherapy
	5	External beam radiotherapy and unsealed radioisotopes
	6	Brachytherapy and unsealed radioisotopes
	7	External beam radiotherapy, brachytherapy and unsealed radioisotopes
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	97	Not applicable-radiotherapy was not administered
	98	Unknown whether radiotherapy was administered
	99	Radiotherapy was administered but the treatment type not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>More than one radiotherapy treatment type may be delivered during the initial course of treatment; select the appropriate code value.</p> <p>The difference between the types of radiotherapy relates to the position of the radiation source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• External beam radiotherapy (EBRT) is delivered by directing the radiation at the tumour from outside the body.</li><li>• Brachytherapy or sealed source radiotherapy is delivered by placing the radiation source in close proximity to the tumour site.</li><li>• Unsealed radioisotopes or systemic radioisotope therapy is delivered by infusion into the bloodstream or by ingestion and is a form of targeted therapy.</li></ul>
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## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Cancer Australia
<b>Reference documents:</b>	DeVita VT, Hellman S, Rosenberg SA 2005. Cancer: Principles and practice of oncology, 7th edition. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Supersedes <a href="#">Radiotherapy treatment type code N Health!</a> , Superseded 07/12/2011
	Has been superseded by <a href="#">Radiotherapy treatment type code N[N] Health!</a> , Standard 08/05/2014
Data elements implementing this value domain:	<a href="#">Cancer treatment—radiotherapy treatment type, code N[N] Health!</a> , Superseded 08/05/2014