

Person with cancer—multiple primary tumours descriptor, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Multiple primary tumours descriptor
METEOR identifier:	429482
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 08/05/2014
Definition:	Whether the multiple primary tumours in the person with cancer are synchronous or metachronous, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person with cancer—multiple primary tumours descriptor
Value Domain:	Multiple primary tumours descriptor code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Synchronous
	2	Metachronous
Supplementary values:	7	Not applicable, i.e. single primary tumour only
	8	Number of primary tumours unknown
	9	Multiple primary tumours present, but synchronicity not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Record the appropriate code at diagnosis, then update at the first appearance of a subsequent second primary where multiple tumours are discovered.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Cancer Australia
Reference documents:	Breathnach OS & Skarin AT 2009. Multiple primary lung cancers. Wolters Kluwer Health, UpToDate Inc., Waltham, MA. Viewed 8 March 2011, http://www.uptodate.com/contents/multiple-primary-lung-cancers

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Guide for use: Synchronous primary tumours are detected simultaneously, either preoperatively or in the resected specimen.

Metachronous primary tumours are detected after a time interval between detection of the first lesion and detection of a subsequent primary lesion.

Collection methods: This information should be sought from the patient's pathology report and medical record.

Comments: Patients with multiple primary tumours may have a worse prognosis or more extensive treatment than patients with a single tumour. In addition, the management and prognosis when multiple primary tumours are present may vary depending on whether the tumours are synchronous or metachronous.

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Person with cancer—multiple primary tumours indicator, yes/no code N Health!](#), Standard 08/05/2014

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Gynaecological cancer \(clinical\) DSS Health!](#), Superseded 14/05/2015

Conditional obligation: This data element is to be recorded if [Person with cancer—multiple primary tumours indicator, yes/no code N](#) indicates the presence of multiple primary tumours.

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

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

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