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Surgical margin qualifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Property
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Definition: The orientation of the surgical margin that is closest to the invasive or in situ

carcinoma.

Surgical margins represent sites that have either been cut or bluntly dissected by

the surgeon to resect the specimen.

The distance and orientation of the closest margin is useful for surgical audit and for assessing the completeness of surgical resection. Margin involvement may

influence treatment decisions and is a prognostic indicator.

Property group: <u>Location characteristics</u>

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Cancer Australia

Reference documents: National Breast and Ovarian Cancer Centre 2009. Breast cancer specific data

items for clinical cancer registration. Surry Hills, NSW: National Breast and Ovarian

Cancer Centre

Relational attributes

Data Element Concepts implementing this

property:

Cancer treatment—surgical margin qualifier

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