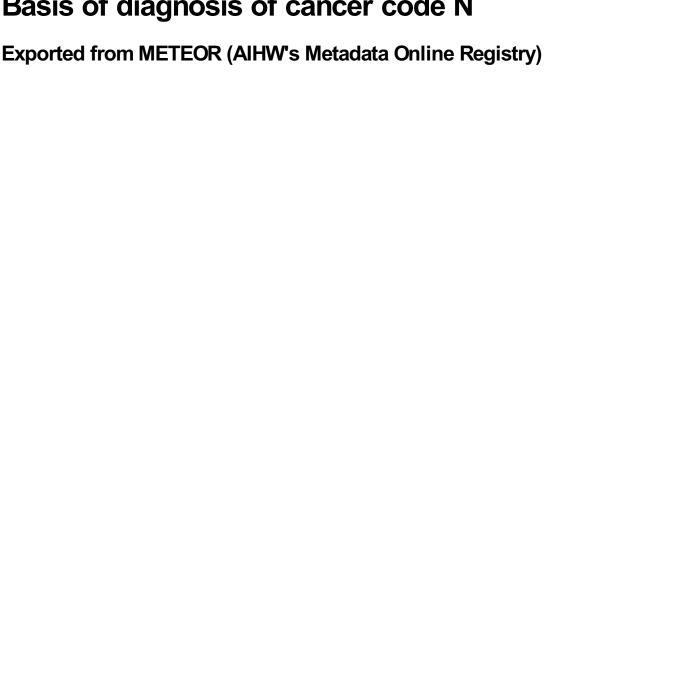
# Basis of diagnosis of cancer code N



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### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Value Domain

**METEOR identifier:** 270758

Registration status: Health, Standard 01/03/2005

**Definition:** A code set representing sources of cancer diagnosis.

### Representational attributes

Representation class:

Code

Number

Format:

N

Maximum character length:

Value

Permissible values:

0

	Value	Meaning
missible values:	0	Death certificate only: Information provided is from a death certificate
	1	Clinical: Diagnosis made before death, but without any of the following (codes 2-7)
	2	Clinical investigation: All diagnostic techniques, including x-ray, endoscopy, imaging, ultrasound, exploratory surgery (e.g. laparotomy), and autopsy, without a tissue diagnosis
	4	Specific tumour markers: Including biochemical and/or immunological markers that are specific for a tumour site
	5	Cytology: Examination of cells from a primary or secondary site, including fluids aspirated by endoscopy or needle; also includes the microscopic examination of peripheral blood and bone marrow aspirates
	6	Histology of metastasis: Histological examination of tissue from a metastasis, including autopsy specimens
	7	Histology of a primary tumour: Histological examination of tissue from primary tumour, however obtained, including all cutting techniques and bone marrow biopsies; also includes autopsy specimens of primary tumour
	8	Histology: either unknown whether of primary or metastatic site, or not otherwise specified

Unknown.

## Collection and usage attributes

Supplementary values:

Guide for use: CODES 1 - 4

Non-microscopic.

CODES 5 - 8

Microscopic.

CODE 9

9

Other.

Comments:

In a hospital setting this metadata item should be collected on the most valid basis of diagnosis at this admission. If more than one diagnosis technique is used during an admission, select the higher code from 1 to 8.

#### Relational attributes

Data elements implementing this value domain:

Person with cancer—most valid basis of diagnosis of a cancer, code N Health, Superseded 07/12/2011

Person with cancer—most valid basis of diagnosis of a cancer, code N Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Person with cancer—most valid basis of diagnosis of the first recurrence, code N Health, Standard 07/12/2011