
Regional lymph nodes examined

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD
Knowledgebase ID: 001076 Version number: 1
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT
Registration Authority: NHIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED
Effective date: 01-MAR-05
Definition: This records the total number outcome of regional lymph nodes examined by the pathologist.
Context:

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric
Representational form: CODE
Representation layout: N(N)
Minimum Size:
Maximum Size: 2

Data Domain:

0	No regional lymph nodes examined
1-89	Actual number of regional lymph nodes examined
90	Ninety or more regional lymph nodes examined
95	No regional lymph node(s) removed, but aspiration of regional lymph node(s) was performed
96	Regional lymph node removal documented as sampling but number unknown/not stated
97	Regional lymph nodes removal documented as dissection but number unknown/not stated
98	Regional lymph nodes removal but number unknown/not stated and not documented as sampling or dissection
99	Unknown; not stated; death certificate only

Guide For Use: Code 95 - No regional lymph node(s) removed, but aspiration of regional lymph node(s) was performed, is used for a lymph node aspiration when cytology or histology is positive for malignant cells

Code 99 - Unknown; not stated; death certificate only, is used if information about regional lymph nodes is unknown or if the field is not applicable for that site or histology

Related metadata: relates to the data element Cancer staging - N stage code version 1
relates to the data element Regional lymph nodes positive version 1

Administrative Attributes

Source Document: Australian Cancer Network The pathology reporting of breast cancer. A guide for pathologists, surgeons and radiologists Second Edition Sydney (2001).

Commission on Cancer, Standards of the Commission on Cancer Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS) Volume II (1998).

Source Organisation: Australian Cancer Network.
Commission on Cancer American College of Surgeons.

Comments: .

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM Service provision event

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

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