

Palliative care principal diagnosis code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	287767
Registration status:	Health , Recorded 13/05/2008
Definition:	A code set representing palliative care diagnoses.

Representational attributes

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

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Malignant neoplasm
	8	Other diagnosis
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>CODE 1 Malignant neoplasm</p> <p>The main features of a malignant neoplasm (cancer) are its ability to grow in an uncontrolled way and to invade and spread to other parts of the body (metastasise). Benign neoplasms are excluded from this category.</p> <p>CODE 8 Other diagnosis</p> <p>Includes, but is not limited to, HIV/AIDS, motor neurone disease, muscular dystrophy, cystic fibrosis, multiple sclerosis, end-stage dementia, and end-stage respiratory, cardiac, renal and liver disease. Also included in this group are benign neoplasms. Benign neoplasms do not invade other tissues or spread to other parts of the body, although they can expand to interfere with body structures.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Palliative Care Intergovernmental Forum
Origin:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2005. Health Registers and Cancer Monitoring Unit, Canberra. Viewed 30 May 2005, http://www.aihw.gov.au/cancer/faqs.cfm .

Relational attributes

Data elements implementing this value domain:	Episode of community based palliative care—principal diagnosis, code N Health , Recorded 13/05/2008
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