Cancer treatment—non-surgical cancer treatment start date, DDMMYYYY

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Cancer initial treatment starting date |
| METEOR identifier: | 288103 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 11/06/2014 |
| Definition: | The start date of the initial course of non-surgical treatment for cancer. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Cancer treatment—non-surgical cancer treatment start date](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/288087) |
| Value Domain: | [Date DDMMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270566) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Date | |
| Data type: | Date/Time | |
| Format: | DDMMYYYY | |
| Maximum character length: | 8 | |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The start date of the treatment is recorded regardless of whether treatment is completed as intended or not. Treatment subsequent to a recurrence will not be recorded.  Collected for radiation therapy and systemic therapy.  Date of surgical treatment is collected as a separate item. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | National Cancer Control Institute |
| Origin: | Commission on Cancer, Standards of the Commission on Cancer Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS) Volume II (1998). |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Is re-engineered from  [Cancer initial treatment - starting date, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/274194)  (14.1 KB)  *No registration status* |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Cancer (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/289280)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2005  ***DSS specific information:***    This field must:   * be greater than or equal to the date of initial cancer diagnosis, and * be less than or equal to the date on which initial treatment for cancer was completed.       This metadata item is collected for the analysis of outcome by treatment type.  Collecting dates for radiotherapy treatment and systemic therapy agent treatment will allow evaluation of treatments delivered and of time intervals from diagnosis to treatment, from treatment to recurrence and from treatment to death.    [Cancer (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/334019)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/03/2009  ***DSS specific information:***    This field must:   * be greater than or equal to the date of initial cancer diagnosis, and * be less than or equal to the date on which initial treatment for cancer was completed.       This metadata item is collected for the analysis of outcome by treatment type.  Collecting dates for radiotherapy treatment and systemic therapy agent treatment will allow evaluation of treatments delivered and of time intervals from diagnosis to treatment, from treatment to recurrence and from treatment to death.    [Cancer (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/342187)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 22/12/2009  ***DSS specific information:***    This field must:   * be greater than or equal to the date of initial cancer diagnosis, and * be less than or equal to the date on which initial treatment for cancer was completed.       This metadata item is collected for the analysis of outcome by treatment type.  Collecting dates for radiotherapy treatment and systemic therapy agent treatment will allow evaluation of treatments delivered and of time intervals from diagnosis to treatment, from treatment to recurrence and from treatment to death.    [Cancer (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/393191)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2011  ***DSS specific information:***    This field must:   * be greater than or equal to the date of initial cancer diagnosis, and * be less than or equal to the date on which initial treatment for cancer was completed.       This metadata item is collected for the analysis of outcome by treatment type.  Collecting dates for radiotherapy treatment and systemic therapy agent treatment will allow evaluation of treatments delivered and of time intervals from diagnosis to treatment, from treatment to recurrence and from treatment to death. |