Cancer treatment—systemic therapy agent or protocol

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element Concept |
| METEOR identifier: | 393615 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/05/2014 |
| Definition: | The systemic therapy agent or protocol administered during the initial course of treatment for cancer. |

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Object class: | [Cancer treatment](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/288059) |
| Definition: | The course of cancer directed treatment or treatments, with defined dates of commencement and cessation, given to the patient by a treatment provider or team of providers. It includes all treatments administered to the patient before disease progression or recurrence and applies to surgical treatment, radiation therapy and systemic agent therapy for cancer. |
| Context: | This metadata item is required to provide the basis for a standard approach to recording and monitoring patterns of initial treatment for cancer patients. |
| Specialisation of: | [Service/care event](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/281121) |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | Commission on Cancer, Standards of the Commission on Cancer Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS) Volume II (1998)Commission on Cancer, Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (2002) |

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Property: | [Systemic therapy agent or protocol](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/393613) |
| Definition: | The systemic therapy agent or protocol used for treatment.Systemic therapy agents are drugs that travel through the bloodstream and reach and effect cells all over the body. They are administered orally or intravenously.Systemic therapy agents may be administered as single-agent treatments or as a combination of drugs administered according to a prespecified regimen or protocol. A protocol is a precise and detailed plan for therapy that includes the type, quantity, method and length of time of taking the drugs required for any treatment cycle.Systemic therapy agents are encompassed in the treatment modalities [**chemotherapy**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/436811), [**immunotherapy**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/437322) and [**hormone therapy**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/439580) administered for the treatment of cancer. |
| Property group: | [Service provision event](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/274661) |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Cancer Australia |
| Reference documents: | American College of Surgeons 2002. Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS), 2009 revision. Commission on Cancer, 28D-28E |

## Data element concept attributes

### Relational attributes

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| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Cancer treatment—systemic therapy agent or protocol](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/561276)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 08/05/2014 |
| Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept: | [Cancer treatment—systemic therapy agent or protocol, eviQ protocol identifier NNNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/444090)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/05/2014[Cancer treatment—systemic therapy agent or protocol, text X[X(149)]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/393623)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/05/2014 |