

Patient—cancer status, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Cancer status
METEOR identifier:	394071
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Definition:	The absence or presence of clinical evidence of cancer in the patient, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Patient—cancer status

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code						
Data type:	Number						
Format:	N						
Maximum character length:	1						
Permissible values:	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>No evidence of cancer</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Evidence of cancer</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	No evidence of cancer	2	Evidence of cancer
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Supplementary values:	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>8</td><td>Unknown whether there is evidence of cancer</td></tr><tr><td>9</td><td>Not stated/inadequately described</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	8	Unknown whether there is evidence of cancer	9	Not stated/inadequately described
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Record whether or not there is clinical evidence of cancer in the patient at the date of last contact or death. Cancer status changes if the patient has a recurrence or relapse and the record should be updated. The patient's cancer status should be changed only if new information is received from an official source. If information is obtained from the patient, a family member or other non-physician, then cancer status is not updated. If the patient has multiple primary cancers, each primary should have the appropriate cancer status recorded. For patients with hematopoietic disease who are in remission, code as 1-no evidence of this cancer.
Collection methods:	This information should be collected from the patient's medical record.
Comments:	This information is used for patient follow-up and outcome studies.

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

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	See also Patient—date of last contact, DDMMYYYY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health, Standard 07/12/2011
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Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

DSS specific information:

Codes 8 and 9 are not used in the Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster.

[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health](#), Superseded 16/01/2020

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[Bowel cancer diagnostic assessment cluster Health](#), Standard 17/12/2021

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[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS Health](#), Superseded 08/05/2014

[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS Health](#), Superseded 14/05/2015

[Cancer \(clinical\) NBPDS Health](#), Standard 14/05/2015

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as Numerator

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI04-Time between positive screen and diagnostic assessment Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI06a-Colorectal cancer detection rate Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI06a-Colorectal cancer detection rate Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI06b-Positive predictive value of diagnostic assessment for detecting colorectal cancer Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI07-Interval cancer rate Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI07-Interval cancer rate Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

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