

Patient—cancer status, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Cancer status
METEOR identifier:	394071
Registration status:	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:	Cancer status code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	No evidence of cancer
	2	Evidence of cancer
Supplementary values:	8	Unknown whether there is evidence of cancer
	9	Not stated/inadequately described

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](#)
[Health](#), Standard 07/12/2011

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[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018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[Health](#), Superseded 16/01/2020
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[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS](#)
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[Health](#), Superseded 14/05/2015

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

Implementation in Indicators: **Used as Numerator**
[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 04-Time between positive screen and diagnostic assessment](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

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

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[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

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

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 07-Interval cancer rate](#)
[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

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[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018