

# Cancer treatment—specialist support services indicator, yes/no/unknown code N

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Specialist support services indicator
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	Specialist support services; Allied health services
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	462083
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Standard 04/02/2015</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	An indicator of whether specialist support services have been used during treatment for cancer, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Cancer treatment—specialist support services indicator</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code						
<b>Data type:</b>	Number						
<b>Format:</b>	N						
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1						
<b>Permissible values:</b>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Yes</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>No</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Yes	2	No
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## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>Record whether the patient used specialist support services as part of their care during a round of treatment for cancer.</p> <p>Specialist support services include community services, allied health services and other hospital support service, such as the use of psychiatrists, psychologists, physiotherapists, social workers, specialist nurses/nurse counsellors, cancer support or volunteer support groups, individual peer support services, counsellor/bereavement counsellor and pastoral care workers.</p>
<b>Collection methods:</b>	This information should be sought from the patient's medical record or collected in multi-disciplinary team meetings.
<b>Comments:</b>	This information is used to evaluate the quality of care for patients with cancer, and may have implications for access to, and the provision of, cancer services.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Cancer Australia

## Relational attributes

### Related metadata references:

See also [Cancer treatment—specialist support services type, code N\[N\]](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 04/02/2015

See also [Cancer treatment—specialist support services type, text X\[X\(99\)\]](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 04/02/2015

See also [Person with cancer—date of referral to palliative care services, DDMMYYYY](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 08/05/2014

### Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Adolescent and young adult cancer \(clinical\) DSSHealth](#), Superseded 14/05/2015

[Adolescent and young adult cancer \(clinical\) NBPDSHealth](#), Standard 14/05/2015