# Cancer treatment—specialist support services indicator

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## Cancer treatment—specialist support services indicator

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element Concept

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**Definition:** An indicator of whether specialist support services have been used during

treatment for cancer.

## Object Class attributes

## Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: Cancer treatment

**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.

This may include cancer-directed surgical treatment, radiation therapy and systemic agent therapy for cancer. It applies to the primary course of cancer treatment, treatment administered to the patient in response to disease progression or treatment administered to the patient in response to disease

recurrence.

Specialisation of: Service/care event

#### 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

Property: Specialist support services indicator

**Definition:** An indicator of whether specialist support services are used as part of a patient's

treatment regime. Specialist support services are those that do not target the primary disease but help to manage side effects, symptoms, late effects and quality

of life.

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.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Cancer Australia

## Data element concept attributes

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## **Relational attributes**

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

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