

# Adverse event grade code N

## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Value Domain  
**METEOR identifier:** 467628  
**Registration status:**

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**Definition:** A code set representing the grading scale for adverse events (AE) as defined by the American National Institute of Health and National Cancer Institute's Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events version 4.0 (CTCAE).

## Representational attributes

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

**Permissible values:**

Value	Meaning
1	Grade 1
2	Grade 2
3	Grade 3
4	Grade 4
5	Grade 5

**Supplementary values:**

7	Not applicable, no adverse events
8	Unknown
9	Adverse event, but grade inadequately specified

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** Grade refers to the severity of the adverse event (AE). The CTCAE displays Grade 1 through to Grade 5 with unique clinical descriptions of severity for each AE based on this general guideline:

CODE 1 Grade 1

Mild; asymptomatic or mild symptoms; clinical or diagnostic observations only  
intervention not indicated.

CODE 2 Grade 2

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Cancer Australia

**Reference documents:** <P>National Cancer Institute 2009. Common Terminology Criteria for Adverse Events (CTCAE) Version 4.0.&nbsp;Viewed 7/11/2011. <A href="http://evs.nci.nih.gov/ftp1/CTCAE/CTCAE\_4.03\_2010-06-14\_QuickReference\_5x7.pdf">http://evs.nci.nih.gov/ftp1/CTCAE/CTCAE\_4.03\_2010-06-14\_QuickReference\_5x7.pdf</A>&nbsp;</P>

## Relational attributes

**Data elements implementing this value domain:**

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