

# Cancer treatment—specialist support services date, DDMMYYYY

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Specialist support services date
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	Specialist support services date; Allied health services date
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	487379
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Standard 14/05/2015</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	The date on which a patient used specialist support services as part of their care during the initial round of treatment for cancer, expressed as DDMMYYYY.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Cancer treatment—specialist support services date</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Date
<b>Data type:</b>	Date/Time
<b>Format:</b>	DDMMYYYY
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	8

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>Record the date which a patient used specialist support services as part of their care during the initial round of treatment for cancer. This date should be recorded in conjunction with <a href="#">Specialist support services code</a> or <a href="#">Specialist support services text</a>.</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

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Cancer Australia
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### 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:**

[Prostate cancer \(clinical\) NBPDSHealth](#), Standard 14/05/2015

***Conditional obligation:***

Collect this item when [Cancer treatment—specialist support services indicator, yes/no/unknown code N](#) equals yes.