

# Person with cancer—primary site of cancer, code (ICD-10-AM 8th edn) ANN{.N[N]}

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Primary site of cancer (ICD-10-AM code)
METEOR identifier:	514307
Registration status:	<a href="#">WA Health</a> , Standard 19/03/2015
Definition:	The site of origin of the tumour, as opposed to the secondary or metastatic sites, as represented by an ICD-10-AM code.
Data Element Concept:	<a href="#">Person with cancer—primary site of cancer</a>
Value Domain:	<a href="#">Primary site of cancer code (ICD-10-AM 8th edn) ANN{.N[N]}</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	<a href="#">International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision, Australian Modification 8th edition</a>
Representation class:	Code
Data type:	String
Format:	ANN{.N[N]}
Maximum character length:	6

## Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Report the primary site of cancer, if known, for patients who have been diagnosed with a cancer.
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## Source and reference attributes

Reference documents:	International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision (ICD-10)
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## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:	<p>In a hospital setting, primary site of cancer should be recorded on the patient's medical record by the patient's attending clinician or medical practitioner, and coded by the hospital's medical records department.</p> <p>Hospitals use Diagnosis codes from ICD-10-AM (7th edition). Valid codes must start with C or D.</p> <p>In hospital reporting, the diagnosis code for each separate primary site cancer will be reported as a Principal diagnosis or an Additional diagnosis as defined in the current edition of the Australian Coding Standards. In death reporting, the Australian Bureau of Statistics uses ICD-10.</p> <p>Some ICD-10-AM (7th edition) diagnosis codes e.g. mesothelioma and Kaposi's sarcoma, are based on morphology and not site alone, and include tumours of these types even where the primary site is unknown.</p>
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## Source and reference attributes

Origin: World Health Organization

## Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person with cancer—primary site of cancer, code \(ICD-10-AM 7th edn\) ANN{.N\[N\]}](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 22/12/2009

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection \(NAPAAWL DC\) 2013-14](#)

[WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015

**DSS specific information:**

In the NAPAAWL DC this data item has:

- Synonymous name: PER\_PRIMARY\_SITE\_OF\_CANCER
- Short name: Person with cancer - primary site of cancer

The national health standard for the primary site of cancer, using ICD-10-AM 8th edition is:

[Person with cancer-primary site of cancer, code \(ICD-10-AM 8th edn\) ANN.{.N\[N\]}](#)

While the health standard is limited to ICD-10-AM 8th edition, a range of diagnosis coding systems are used across the Department of Health, WA. Any coding system is currently acceptable for the PER\_PRIMARY\_SITE\_OF\_CANCER data item that is collected in the NAPAAWL DC.

[WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection \(NAPAAWL DC\) 2014-15](#)

[WA Health](#), Standard 24/04/2015

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[WA Health Non-Admitted Patient Activity and Wait List Data Collection \(NAPAAWL DC\) 2016-17](#)

[WA Health](#), Standard 30/05/2017

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