

# Cancer treatment— immunotherapy start date, DDMMYYYY

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Immunotherapy start date
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	561366
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Standard 08/05/2014</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	The start date of <a href="#">immunotherapy</a> administered during the course of treatment for cancer, expressed as DDMMYYYY.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Cancer treatment—immunotherapy start 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 first or earliest date on which immunotherapy was administered during the course of treatment.</p> <p>The start date of immunotherapy treatment is recorded regardless of whether the course of treatment is completed as intended, and regardless of the intent or timing of the immunotherapy.</p> <p>A patient may undergo immunotherapy for an extended period of time.</p> <p>The start date of the immunotherapy treatment is recorded even if the agent is experimental.</p> <p>Multiple entries are not permitted.</p> <p>Dates of surgery, radiotherapy and other systemic treatments are collected as separate items. However, if a patient receives treatment with a protocol that includes different types of systemic therapy agents, for example, a chemotherapy agent and an immunotherapy agent, record the completion date of treatment in both relevant data items.</p>
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**Collection methods:** The information should be obtained from the patient's medical record.

**Comments:** Collecting the start and finish dates for treatment modalities will enable an estimate of treatment duration.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Cancer Australia

**Origin:** American College of Surgeons 2002. Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS), 2009 revision. Commission on Cancer

American College of Surgeons 1998. Standards of the Commission on Cancer: Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS), Volume II. Commission on Cancer

Johnson CH & Adamo M (Editors) 2007. SEER Program Coding and Staging Manual 2007, MD 2008 revision. Bethesda:National Cancer Institute, NIH Publication number 07-5581

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Cancer treatment—immunotherapy start date, DDMMYYYY](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 08/05/2014

See also [Cancer treatment—immunotherapy completion date, DDMMYYYY](#)

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

See also [Cancer treatment—systemic therapy agent or protocol, text X\[X\(149\)\]](#)

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

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Immunotherapy for cancer cluster](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 08/05/2014

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