

# Cancer treatment— radiotherapy target site, code N[N]

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Radiotherapy target site
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	561476
<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 target site of <a href="#">radiotherapy</a> administered during the course of treatment for cancer, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Cancer treatment—radiotherapy target site</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N[N]
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	2
<b>Permissible values:</b>	

Value	Meaning
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1	Primary site only
2	Regional nodes only
3	Distant metastases only
4	Primary site and regional nodes
5	Primary site and distant metastases
6	Primary site, regional nodes and distant metastases
7	Regional nodes and distant metastases

Supplementary values:	Value	Meaning
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	97	Not applicable-radiotherapy was not administered
	98	Unknown whether radiotherapy was administered
	99	Radiotherapy was administered but the site not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** More than one site may be targeted for radiotherapy during the course of treatment; select the appropriate code value.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Cancer Australia

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** The target site is collected for all courses of radiotherapy administered to the patient during the course of treatment.

The target site for radiotherapy is recorded regardless of whether the course of treatment is completed as intended, the intent or timing of the radiotherapy, and the radiation therapy treatment modality.

Record the value representing all the sites targeted for radiotherapy during the course of treatment. There may be more than one site targeted for treatment. For example, the primary tumour site and the site of a distant metastasis may receive radiotherapy as part of the course of treatment. In this case code "5" would be recorded.

The target site for surgery is collected as a separate data item.

**Collection methods:** This information should be obtained from the patient's radiotherapy records.

Determining the target site of radiotherapy may require assistance from the radiation oncologist for consistent coding.

**Comments:** This is collected to identify which sites are targeted by radiotherapy and is useful in evaluating patterns of care and patient outcomes.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Cancer Australia

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Supersedes [Cancer treatment—radiotherapy target site, code N\[N\]](#)

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

See also [Cancer treatment—radiation dose administered, total Gray N\[NN.NN\]](#)

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

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

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

See also [Cancer treatment—radiotherapy fractions administered, total fractions N\[N\]](#)

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

See also [Cancer treatment—radiotherapy start date, DDMMYYYY](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 08/08/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 08/05/2014

See also [Cancer treatment—radiotherapy treatment type, code N\[N\]](#)

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

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Radiotherapy for cancer cluster](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 08/05/2014

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