Radiotherapy treatment type code N[N]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 561509 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 08/05/2014 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the type of  [**radiotherapy**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/437265) treatment given. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[N] | |
| Maximum character length: | 2 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | External beam radiotherapy only |
|  | 2 | Brachytherapy only |
|  | 3 | Unsealed radioisotopes only |
|  | 4 | External beam radiotherapy and brachytherapy |
|  | 5 | External beam radiotherapy and unsealed radioisotopes |
|  | 6 | Brachytherapy and unsealed radioisotopes |
|  | 7 | External beam radiotherapy, brachytherapy and unsealed radioisotopes |
| Supplementary values: | 97 | Not applicable-radiotherapy was not administered |
|  | 98 | Unknown whether radiotherapy was administered |
|  | 99 | Radiotherapy was administered but the treatment type not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | More than one radiotherapy treatment type may be delivered during the course of treatment; select the appropriate code value.  The difference between the types of radiotherapy relates to the position of the radiation source:   * External beam radiotherapy (EBRT) is delivered by directing the radiation at the tumour from outside the body * Brachytherapy or sealed source radiotherapy is delivered by placing the radiation source in close proximity to the tumour site * Unsealed radioisotopes or systemic radioisotope therapy is delivered by infusion into the bloodstream or by ingestion and is a form of targeted therapy. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Cancer Australia |
| Reference documents: | DeVita VT, Hellman S, Rosenberg SA 2005. Cancer: Principles and practice of oncology, 7th edition. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins |

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| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Radiotherapy treatment type code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/402063)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/05/2014 |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Cancer treatment—radiotherapy treatment type, code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/561521)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 08/05/2014 |