

# Cancer treatment—surgery target site, topography code (ICD-O-3) ANN.N

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Surgery target site
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	561567
<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 cancer-directed surgery performed during the course of treatment for cancer, as represented by an ICD-O-3 code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Cancer treatment—surgery target site</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Classification scheme:</b>	<a href="#">International Classification of Diseases for Oncology 3rd edition</a>
<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	String
<b>Format:</b>	ANN.N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	5

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Record all four alphanumeric characters of the topography code. The number after the decimal point represents the subsite or subcategory.
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## Data element attributes

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<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>The target site is collected for all cancer-directed surgery performed during the course of treatment.</p> <p>Cancer-directed surgery refers to all surgery that destroys or modifies cancer tissue anywhere in the body.</p> <p>Cancer-directed surgery may be palliative, (to control symptoms, alleviate pain, or make the patient more comfortable), or curative.</p> <p>Target sites for biopsies that remove the entire tumour and/or leave only microscopic margins are to be recorded here.</p> <p>All sites or regions targeted for cancer-directed surgery during the course of treatment should be recorded. 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 cancer-directed surgery as part of the course of treatment.</p> <p>The target site for radiotherapy is collected as a separate item.</p>
<b>Collection methods:</b>	This information should be obtained from the patient's medical record.

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

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Cancer Australia

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

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Cancer treatment—surgery target site, topography code \(ICD-O-3\) ANN.N](#)

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

See also [Cancer treatment—surgical procedure date, DDMMYYYY](#)

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

See also [Cancer treatment—surgical procedure for cancer, procedure code \(ACHI 8th edn\) NNNNN-NN](#)

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

See also [Cancer treatment—surgical procedure for cancer, procedure code \(ACHI 8th edn\) NNNNN-NN](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 14/05/2015

See also [Cancer treatment—surgical procedure for cancer, procedure code \(ACHI 9th edn\) NNNNN-NN](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 14/05/2015

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Surgery for cancer clusterHealth](#), Superseded 14/05/2015

[Surgery for cancer clusterHealth](#), Standard 14/05/2015