

# Bowel cancer screening test cluster

## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Data Set Specification

**METEOR identifier:** 732539

**Registration status:**

- [Health](#), Standard 05/02/2021

**DSS type:** Data Element Cluster

**Scope:** The Bowel [cancer screening](#) test cluster comprises a set of standardised data definitions used for monitoring the National [Bowel Cancer](#) Screening Program (NBCSP). This cluster includes information on people who participated in the NBCSP and undertook a [disease screening](#) test.

This metadata set is not mandated for collection, i.e. it reflects best practice when collecting data in relation to bowel screening rather than a nationally mandated set of data items that must be provided.

It is intended to be used by the National Cancer Screening Register. It can also be used by a wider range of health and health-related professionals who collect and/or use the data in relation to the NBCSP.

## Collection and usage attributes

**Statistical unit:** Persons who either have participated or will be participating in bowel cancer screening programs.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Bowel cancer screening test cluster](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2021

## Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2021–22 Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2021

*Implementation end date:* 30/06/2022

**Conditional obligation:**

Reporting of the data elements in this cluster is conditional upon answering 'Yes' to the [Person—cancer screening test indicator, yes/no code N](#) data element.

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2022–23 Health](#), Standard 17/12/2021

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2022

*Implementation end date:* 30/06/2023

**Conditional obligation:**

Reporting of the data elements in this cluster is conditional upon answering 'Yes' to the [Person—cancer screening test indicator, yes/no code N](#) data element.

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2023–24 Health](#), Qualified 29/08/2022

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2023

*Implementation end date:* 30/06/2024

**Conditional obligation:**

Reporting of the data elements in this cluster is conditional upon answering 'Yes' to the [Person—cancer screening test indicator, yes/no code N](#) data element.

## Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
1	<a href="#">Person—cancer screening test type, bowel cancer code N</a>	Mandatory	1
2	<a href="#">Person—disease screening test completion status, bowel screening code N</a>	Mandatory	1
3	<a href="#">Person—disease screening test analysis date, DDMMYYYY</a>	Mandatory	1
4	<a href="#">Person—disease screening test results sent date, DDMMYYYY</a>	Mandatory	1
5	<a href="#">Person—cancer screening test result, bowel cancer code N[A]</a>	Mandatory	1

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