

Acute Health Services  
Form S8 Part 1: Radiotherapy Services  
—Non-Admitted Patients

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## Reporting Requirements

Form S8\_111 is used for reporting activity based measures for radiotherapy services provided to non-admitted oncology patients. The Victorian hospitals, which provide radiotherapy services to non-admitted patients are the Austin and Repatriation Hospitals, Barwon Health, The Alfred and Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute. Only these sites are to complete Form S8\_111 however the activity should be reported according to the clinic site where the service is provided.

Reporting of radiotherapy occasions of service must still continue on the Acute Health Non-Admitted Patient Services form (S9\_111).

This form has been developed through the deliberations of the Radiation Oncology Data Committee and Working Group on Radiation Oncology Funding Model under the auspice of the Radiation Oncology Steering Committee.

From 1 July 1999, non-admitted patient services provided to eligible veterans and war widow(er)s are to be reported on Form S8\_111. This information is required for implementation of the funding arrangements with the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

## Return of Forms

Hospitals are to submit data to the department via the AIMS OnLine Entry System by the 15<sup>th</sup> day following the end of each month. A tick in the Completed field indicates the form is complete with all validation rules satisfied and appropriate approvals for release obtained.

Printouts of the original signed forms must be retained by the hospital and be available to officers of the Department upon request.

## Correction of Forms

Where an error is detected for any data item previously submitted to the Department, then a correction must be submitted. A correction can be made at any time during the reporting year.

## Definitions

### **Megavoltage Treatment—MBS Item No. 15203**

Radiation oncology treatment, using a single photon energy linear accelerator, with or without electron facilities—each attendance at which treatment is given.

### **Megavoltage Treatment—MBS Item No. 15204**

Two or more fields up to maximum of five additional fields (rotational therapy being three fields).

### **Megavoltage Treatment—MBS Item No. 15207**

Radiation oncology treatment using a dual photon energy linear accelerator with a minimum higher energy of 10 MV photons or greater, with electron facilities—each attendance at which treatment is given—one field.

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**Megavoltage Treatment—MBS Item No. 15208**

Two or more fields up to maximum of five additional fields (rotational therapy being three fields).

**Megavoltage Treatment—MBS Item No. 15211**

Radiation oncology treatment, using cobalt unit or caesium teletherapy unit—each attendance at which treatment is given.

**Megavoltage Treatment—MBS Item No. 15214**

Two or more fields up to a maximum of five additional fields (rotational therapy being three fields).

**Initial Consultations—MBS Item No. 104**

**Subsequent Consultations—MBS Item No. 105**

**Treatment Review Consultation**

**Total Simulation Level 1 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15500**

RADIATION FIELD SETTING using a simulator or isocentric x-ray or megavoltage machine of a single area for treatment by a single field or parallel opposed fields (not being a service associated with a serviced to which Item 15509 applies).

**Total Simulation Level 2 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15503**

RADIATION FIELD SETTING using a simulator or isocentric x-ray or megavoltage machine of a single area, where views in more than one plane are required for treatment by multiple fields, or of two areas (not being a service associated with a service to which item 15512 applies).

**Total Simulation Level 3 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15506**

RADIATION FIELD SETTING using a simulator or isocentric x-ray megavoltage machine of three or more areas, or of total body or half body irradiation, or of mantle therapy or inverted Y fields, or of irregular shaped fields using multiple blocks, or of off-axis fields or several joined fields (not being a service associated with a service to which item 15515 applies).

**Total CT Dosimetry Level 1 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15518**

RADIATION DOSIMETRY by a CT interfacing planning computer for megavoltage or teletherapy radiotherapy by a single field or parallel opposed fields to one area with up to two shielding blocks.

**Total CT Dosimetry Level 2 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15521**

RADIATION DOSIMETRY by a CT interfacing planning computer for megavoltage or teletherapy radiotherapy to a single area by three or more fields, or by a single field or parallel opposed fields to two areas, or where wedges are used.

**Total CT Dosimetry Level 3 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15524**

RADIATION DOSIMETRY by a CT interfacing planning computer for megavoltage or teletherapy

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radiotherapy to three or more areas, or by mantle fields or inverted Y fields or tangential fields or irregularly shaped fields using multiple blocks, or off-axis fields, or several joined fields.

**Total Non-CT Dosimetry Level 1 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15527**

RADIATION DOSIMETRY by a non-CT interfacing planning computer for megavoltage or teletherapy radiotherapy by a single field or parallel opposed fields to one area with up to two shielding blocks.

**Total Non-CT Dosimetry Level 2 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15530**

RADIATION DOSIMETRY by a non-CT interfacing planning computer for megavoltage or teletherapy radiotherapy to a single area by three or more fields, or by a single field or parallel opposed fields to two areas, or where wedges are used.

**Total Non-CT Dosimetry Level 3 Procedure—MBS Item No. 15533**

RADIATION DOSIMETRY by a non-CT interfacing planning computer for megavoltage or teletherapy radiotherapy to three or more areas, or by mantle fields or inverted Y fields or tangential fields or irregularly shaped fields using multiple blocks, or off-axis fields, or several joined fields.

**Brachytherapy—Automatic Afterloading**

Intracavitary or intraluminal: 15304, 15113, 15312, 15316, 15320, 15324.

Interstitial: 15328 [with surgical exposure], 15332 [single plane], 15336 [multiple plane].

**Brachytherapy—Manual Afterloading**

Intracavitary or intraluminal: 15303, 15115, 15311, 15315, 15319, 15323.

Interstitial: 15327 [with surgical exposure], 15331, 15335, 15342, 15345, 15348.

Surface moulds: 15351, 15354, 15357.

**Brachytherapy Dosimetry—MBS Item No. 15536**

Brachytherapy planning, computerised radiation dosimetry.

**Brachytherapy: Total Simulation Level 1—MBS Item No. 15500**

See definition above for item 15500, but note that brachytherapy applications for simulation level 1 refer to a *single plane implant or insertion* where views on more than one plane are required for brachytherapy treatment [not being a service associated with item 15509].

**Brachytherapy: Total Simulation Level 2—MBS Item No. 15503**

See definition above for 15503, but note that brachytherapy applications for simulation level 2 refer to a *multiple plane or single plane implant or insertion* where views on more than one plane are required for brachytherapy treatment [not being a service associated with item 15512].

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**Brachytherapy: Total Simulation Level 3—MBS Item No. 15506**

See definition above for 15506, but note that brachytherapy applications for simulation level 3 refer to *multiple areas* or *an irregular implant or insertion* where multiple views are required for brachytherapy treatment [not being a service associated with item 15515].

**Brachytherapy: Diagnostic Films 1—MBS Item No. 15509**

See definition for 15509 above but note that this item refers to use of diagnostic films 1 for brachytherapy.

**Brachytherapy: Diagnostic Films 2—MBS Item No. 15512**

See definition for 15512 above but note that this item refers to use of diagnostic films 2 for brachytherapy.

Note: *Brachytherapy—Automatic Afterloading and Brachytherapy—Manual Afterloading* relate to data on the number of insertions intra cavitory; intra lumina; interstitial; and surface application.