

Acute Health Services

*Form S8: Monthly Return—Radiation Oncology
Non-Admitted Patients*

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Reporting Requirements

Form 111/S8 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 Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre, Barwon Health, and The Alfred and Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute. Only these sites are to complete Form 111/S8.

Reporting of radiotherapy occasions of service must still continue on the AIMS Form 111/S2.

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 111/S8. This information is required for implementation of the new funding arrangements with the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Return of Forms

Hospitals are to send electronic data to the Department *within seven working days* following the end of each month.

Hospitals should forward data to the Management Information Unit, Acute Health using one of the following methods:

- email: send to *aimsmail@aims.dhs.vic.gov.au*
- diskette: send to AIMS Collection Officer, Management Information Unit, Acute Health Division, 4/555 Collins Street, Melbourne, 3000, or
- modem: contact Management Information Unit Helpline 9616 8595 to obtain the modem number.

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. The AIMS Agency Module transmits all data for the current financial year, that is, from 1 July onwards, therefore if a correction is made to the July data whilst preparing the October return, it will be resent with the October export file.

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.

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

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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 radiotherapy to three or more areas, or by mangle 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.

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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].

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.