2. Summary of past decisions regarding coding and data migration
   11.30 – 12:00

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Part 1

Recapitulation of Data migration issues: Reasons and Solutions

Part 2

New variable «Treatment status»: What happened and Why
Mapping OLD to NEW Datastructure

Guiding principles for new data dictionary:

(1) Intention of the law.


(3) Continuation of existing data collection, whenever possible.

• Non-migrated data are NOT LOST!
In contrast to old NCD, the new data dictionary is a complete list of every registered information.

A lack of national harmonized coding practices is to be expected for variables which have not been part of the NCD in the past, or have not been the focus of national reporting (i.e. treatments).

CR specific Mapping:
It would NOT be optimal that every CR maps the same way, because CRs interpreted categories of certain variable differently from than CRs. In such cases, national uniform mapping does more wrong than good, and it is better, that the mapping is carried out specific to the individual CR.

CR specific mapping need to be discussed with MS/ED/KM.

The following list of variables with migration problems mainly consists of such variables.
### Diagnostic method(s) used

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<td>&gt;Knochenmarksentnahme</td>
<td>&gt;Bone marrow aspirate</td>
<td>&gt;Bone marrow biopsy</td>
<td>“Knochenmarksentnahme” was German for “Bone marrow biopsy”. Bone marrow aspirate is a novel category.</td>
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<td>DCO</td>
<td>DCN</td>
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<td>The information that a death certificate is the ONLY source of information, is not required in this list. That information is coded in the variable “Most valid basis of diagnosis” as code 0 (DCO).</td>
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<td>&gt;Pre-operative assessment</td>
<td>No longer existing</td>
<td>No mapping envisaged</td>
<td>Was already lacking in the list of “diagnostic methods used” in Feb_2018 (consensus list of variables after the consultation with CRs): level not essential. Without diagnostic implications. New code 12 for “Imaging NOS” had to be created because Imaging is also an important new code for the variable “most valid basis of diagnosis”.</td>
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<td>&gt;Biopsy locoregional or of</td>
<td>&gt;Biopsy locoregional</td>
<td>&gt;Biopsy unspecified</td>
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<td>metastasis</td>
<td>&gt;Biopsy of metastasis</td>
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Registration of «No Treatment» after 1/1/20

NICERStat: Treatment Status

NICERStat_KRG, RSW: CHOP-like code

CHOP. Die KRs, die alte Behandlungscodes topo-spezifisch migrieren wollen, müssen diese Mappings in einem von MS/KM definierten Format formulieren (innerhalb der nächsten beiden Monate).
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Indispensable

Later additions, based on Minutes of WG Treatment

Planned, but not initiated. Why?

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<td>Planned</td>
<td>The accompanying treatment is planned as part of the 3rd treatment complex.</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Initiated</td>
<td>The accompanying treatment has been initiated.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Completed</td>
<td>The accompanying treatment has been completed.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Stopped prior to completion</td>
<td>The accompanying treatment has been initiated, but stopped prior to completion.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Refused</td>
<td>The accompanying treatment was refused by the patient.</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Not envisaged</td>
<td>The accompanying treatment is no longer envisaged (revision of the treatment plan).</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Not initiated (unspecified)</td>
<td>The accompanying treatment has not been initiated because of other or unknown reasons.</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>Unknown status of the accompanying treatment (no other code applies).</td>
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National usage
The variable is to be submitted to the NACR.

References
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Notes
> More than one status code may be assigned to a specific CHOP or CHOP-like code.
Example 1: a planned treatment that was refused by the patient has status 0 and status 4.
Example 2: a planned local excision of a lesion on the breast which was later decided against for medical reasons has status 0 and status 5.
Example 3: a treatment planned, initiated, but stopped prior to completion has status 0, 1, and 3.
> Calendar date of end of treatment in codes 2 (completed) and 3 (stopped prior to completion) are not registered.
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Tel-Interv.: Fast Fact Finding

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Learnings Part 2

• Not rely on texts too much: verbal communication about interpretation necessary.

• Optimal balance between «selected» and «all-inclusive» discussions. Mass-mailing is not always the best way to ask for everybody's opinion.

• Requests for modifications must be substantiated with supporting information, i.e. other stakeholders. Requests by CRs should be consolidated among CRs before NACR is contacted.

• There must be definitive time periods, when modifications are under discussion. Later suggestions must be postponed.
Thank you very much for your attention
Other slides (Steinbruch)
Page 107, BREAST CANCER: tumour related prognostic factors
The following parameters are missing:
  2- Assoziiertes in-situ Karzinom (Lobular, ductal)

All these parameters had been under discussion in the WG Datastructure new law and the first "Vernehmlassung" with Swiss CRs (End of Feb 2019).
To (2): there is now a variable dedicated to presence/absence of in situ tumour components in all types of cancer (Nr. 3.6.2, p57). DCIS/LCIS differentiation in breast cancer was decided as not being of essential importance.
To 5. Look for all localisations used to code metastases AND
To 6. metastases of follow-up using the codes 12 (multi-systems) and 98 (no metastasis)
The list of topographies for metastases in the basic data structure is taken directly from the UICC TNM book, because we wanted to be as close to international guidelines as possible wherever possible. **The old category 12 for multi-systems can be mapped to the new code Unknown, meaning that the exact topographies of metastases unknown.** It does NOT mean, that it is unknown whether there are metastases or not. The new variables “Topography of metastases at diagnosis” and “Topography(s) of post-diagnosis metastases” are ONLY coded IF such metastases are found. This means M1 of TNM or variable “type of event” is 3 (metastasis). To make the descriptive text for category unknown more precise, we add: “..., e.g. poly-metastatic disease”.
The fact of absent metastases (old category 98) is no longer specifically coded in this variable. The new variable is empty (missing) in this case.
Patients having a **civil status code = 5 ("other")**. This variable of the NCDv4.1 was never intended for national cancer statistics. It remained in the NCD, in spite of attempts to take it out, due to individual cancer registries requests. Therefore, national harmonization of registration practices was not carried out. Civil status has now become part of the basic data structure under the new law and the categories chosen by the working group for data structure are those of the FSO Population and Households statistics. This makes the most sense on the national level. The new category “annulled marriage” is for those rare cases where a marriage was terminated, but not due to divorce or death of the partner. We do not support the uniform mapping of “other” to “annulled marriage” because it is unclear how well “other” fitted to “annulled marriage”, there were likely differences in interpretation between registries. If a national uniform mapping is demanded, then it is better to accept a small information loss and map Other to Unknown (9). Mapping von 5 auf 9 (?) registerspezifisch klären
Additional question concerning the category “exploratory” for goal of treatment:
The working group Data structure has had discussions because the cancer registries were divided on the usability of this category. The final decision, not to include it, was based on: (1) international guidelines for the definition of such a category were lacking, (2) if exploratory was meant to help diagnose the tumour, then it has no place in the goals of the first treatment complex (which has nothing to do with diagnostics), (3) it was not foreseen as part of the concepts for national cancer monitoring as well as health reporting.
laterality: Differenz alte/neue Kodeliste: neu eingefügte Ausprägung «Unilateral, NOS (unilateral, but unknown whether right or left). Die alten Daten mit einer, aber unbekannter Seite wurden zusammen mit unbekannten ob uni-oder bilateral als «unknown» kodiert und können somit nur in «unknown» landen.
New variable «treatment status»: 31.8. – 31.10.2019

1. NACR
2. BFS
3. NRAB 19.9.
4. GDK
5. Solution
6. Fast-track Vernehmlassung
7. Further expansion of status info
8. Fast factfindings
9. Expansion of status info
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