NLST Cause of Death: Data Dictionary

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Section 1: Study

Variable	Label	Description	Format Text
dataset_version	Date Stamp for Datasets		Char, 23
pid	Participant Identifier	A unique identifier given to each participant. For LSS participants, pid has a format of 1xx,xxx, while for ACRIN participants, pid has a format of 2xx,xxx.	Numeric

Section 2: Cause of Death

Variable	Label	Description	Format Text
cod	Cause of death (ICD-10)		Char, 4
cod_count	Count of this cause of death record among all cause of death records for this participant	The order of this cause of death record among all cause of death records for this participant, starting at 1 for the earliest record and counting up for each record after that.	Numeric
codtype	Type/source of this cause of death	Type of code Type 1 is from the EVP (Endpoint Verification Process). Type 2 is derived from information on the death certificate using rules established by the National Center for Health Statistics. Types 3 - 5 correspond to conditions listed on the death certificate.	1="EVP underlying cause of death (authoritative if present - includes lung cancer deaths for LSS, but not for ACRIN)" 2="Death certificate underlying cause of death" 3="Immediate cause of death from death certificate" 4="Antecedent cause of death from death certificate (LSS only)" 5="Other significant conditions from death certificate"
dcfline	Line of death certificate	Represents the position on the death certificate with 2 characters (X#). The first character is a letter indicating the line (A-D, O) on the death certificate and the second is a digit indicating position on that line (1-5).	Char, 2 "EV"="Underlying cause of death from EVP (Not from death certificate)" "UN"="Underlying cause of death from Death Certificate (Not from a specific line on the death certificate)"