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# PURPOSE OF CANCER REGISTRY

Population-based cancer registries are essential for assessing the extent of cancer burden in a specified geographic area. The Cancer Data Registry of Idaho (CDRI) is a population-based cancer registry that collects incidence and survival data on all cancer patients who reside in the state of Idaho or who are diagnosed and/or treated for cancer in the state of Idaho. The goals of the CDRI are to:

- determine the incidence of cancer in the state of Idaho with respect to geographic, demographic, and social characteristics;
- monitor trends and patterns of cancer incidence over time;
- · identify high risk populations;
- maintain a database that serves as a resource in conducting epidemiologic studies;
- provide data to assist public health officials, hospital administrators, and physicians to
  effectively plan services, prioritize health resource allocations and develop and measure
  prevention and intervention strategies.

CDRI was established in 1969 and became population-based in 1971. The Idaho State Legislature has provided guidelines for the establishment, requirements, and funding of the statewide cancer registry. The operations of the registry are mandated by Idaho Code 57-1703 through 57-1707 and Idaho Administrative Code IDAPA 16.02.10 section 07. Funding is appropriated in Idaho Code 57-1701 and 63-2520, which delineates less than one percent of the cigarette tax to be dedicated to fund the statewide cancer registry. CDRI also receives funding through a cooperative agreement from the National Program of Central Registries at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and a contract from the National Cancer Institute to participate in the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End-Results (SEER) Program. These funds support CDRI to maintain timely, complete and accurate cancer data for the purposes outlined above.

Each Idaho hospital, outpatient surgery center, and pathology laboratory is responsible for the complete ascertainment of all data on cancer diagnoses and treatments provided in its facility within six months of diagnosis. Sources for identifying eligible cases include: hospitals, outpatient surgery centers, private pathology laboratories, free-standing radiation centers, physicians (for patients not receiving cancer diagnoses and/or treatment in the above sources), death certificates, and other state cancer registries reporting an Idaho resident with cancer (as negotiated).

When a cancer case is reported from more than one source, the information is consolidated into one record.

# REPORTABLE CASES

All cancer cases diagnosed or treated with cancer, in an in-patient or out-patient setting, must be reported to the Cancer Data Registry of Idaho (CDRI).

# **Inclusions**

All in-situ or malignant neoplasms to include carcinoma, sarcoma, melanoma (and other non-epithelial malignancies of the skin), lymphoma, and leukemia, diagnosed by histology, imaging, laboratory testing, clinical observation, autopsy, or suspicious by cytology are required to be reported to CDRI. Also reportable are benign and borderline tumors of the central nervous system (brain, spinal cord, meninges) and intracranial structures (cranial nerves, pineal gland, pituitary gland).

# Hospital non-analytic cases are reportable to CDRI.

Intraepithelial neoplasia cases are reportable except for cervical intraepithelial neoplasia (CIN III)<sup>1</sup>.

Patients with a cancer-related cause of death who expire at your facility are reportable even if no cancer diagnosis or treatment was administered at the facility. Registrars can call CDRI staff to determine if the expired patient has already been reported to determine if the case must be reported by the facility where the patient expired.

#### **Exclusions**

- neoplasms, malignant, NOS of the skin (8000/2 8005/3)
- epithelial carcinomas of the skin except when occurring on mucous membranes
- cervix in-situ<sup>1</sup>

#### **CASE ASCERTAINMENT**

Sources to identify cases to report include:

- medical record disease index
- pathology laboratory (inpatient and outpatient)
- radiation treatment logs
- surgery logs
- imaging (in-patient and out-patient)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In addition to cervix in-situ (CIN III) the Commission on Cancer does not require reporting of intraepithelial neoplasia, grade III, of the prostate (PIN III), vulva (VIN III), vagina (VAIN III), and anus (AIN III). Idaho Code only excludes cervix in-situ, leaving all other intraepithelial neoplasias reportable.

# REPORTABLE CASES

#### **AMBIGUOUS TERMS**

# These terms DO constitute a cancer diagnosis:

Apparent(ly)
Appears to
Comparable with
Compatible with
Consistent with
Favor(s)

Most likely
Presumed
Suspect(ed)
Suspect(ed)
Suspicious (for)
Typical of

Malignant appearing

Neoplasm

(only for C70.0 – C72.9, C75.1 – C75.3) for non-malignant primary intracranial and central nervous system tumors only.

Tumor

(only for C70.0 – C72.9, C75.1 – C75.3) for non-malignant primary intracranial and central nervous system tumors only.

# These terms DO NOT constitute a cancer diagnosis:

Cannot be ruled out

Equivocal Possible

Potentially malignant

Questionable Rule out Suggests Worrisome

**Exception:** If a cytology is reported as suspicious, do not interpret it as a diagnosis of cancer. Abstract the case only if a positive biopsy or a physician's clinical impression of cancer supports the cytology findings.

# REPORTABLE CASES

#### **CASEFINDING LISTS**

The Cancer Data Registry of Idaho (CDRI) utilizes the SEER – ICD-10-CM codes to create casefinding lists to identify reportable cases. For the most current ICD-10-CM codes for Reportable Neoplasms, please visit <a href="https://seer.cancer.gov/tools/casefinding/">https://seer.cancer.gov/tools/casefinding/</a>

The ICD-10-CM codes on the Supplemental List may be used to improve casefinding for benign brain and CNS, hematopoietic neoplasms and other reportable diseases, but it is not required.

#### **FEDERAL LAWS**

#### HIPAA:

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability act of 1996 (HIPAA) became law April 14, 2001 and most organizations have until April 14, 2003 to comply. Healthcare providers may have questions regarding how this new law impacts cancer reporting.

HIPAA regulations only minimally impact current state cancer reporting procedures. Specifically,

HIPAA allows for the reporting of identifiable cancer data to public health entities without a Business Associate Agreement. Because the Cancer Data Registry of Idaho (CDRI) falls under the definition of a public health entity, HIPAA allows your facility to continue to report data to us in compliance with state law. Written informed consent from cancer patients reported to public health entities is not required under HIPAA; rather hospitals and physicians must simply document that reporting has occurred.

HIPAA privacy regulations indicate that protected health information shall not be disclosed without the written, informed consent of the individual. However, there are several exemptions to this rule to allow for disclosures. One of those exemptions are for public health purposes. The "public health" exemption states that a covered entity may disclose protected health information without specific, individual consent to a "public health authority that is authorized by law to collect and receive such information for the purpose of preventing and controlling disease, injury, or disability, including...reporting of disease... and the conduct of public health surveillance...".1

A public health authority is defined as an agency or authority of the United States, a State, a territory, a political subdivision of a State or territory, or an Indian tribe, or a person or entity acting under a grant of authority from or contract with such public agency...that is responsible for public health matters as part of its official mandate.<sup>2</sup>

Within this section is a copy of the Idaho Code and Idaho Rules and Regulations authorizing cancer as a reportable disease. The Idaho Hospital Association contracts with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to operate the statewide cancer registry under Contract No. HC282200 and, therefore, is considered a public health authority for purposes of statewide cancer reporting.

# Public Law 102-515 - Cancer Registries Amendment Act

The National Program of Cancer Registries (NPCR) supports central, population-based cancer registries in 46 states, the District of Columbia, and 3 U.S. territories. Collectively, NPCR registries gather data on cancer cases occurring among 96% of the nation's population. The NPCR complements the National Cancer Institute's Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) program; together, these programs collect cancer data for the entire U.S. population. The Cancer Registries Amendment Act authorized the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to establish and administer the NPCR. The Cancer Data Registry of Idaho receives partial funding from CDC under NPCR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 164.512(b)(1)(i)(2201).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 164.501 (2001).

#### STATE LAWS

#### **IDAHO CODE**

# 57-1703. Cancer registry - Definitions.

- (1) "Cancer" means all in-situ or malignant neoplasms diagnosed by histology, radiology, laboratory testing, clinical observation, autopsy or suggestible by cytology, but excluding basal cell and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin unless occurring on a mucous membrane and excluding in-situ neoplasms of the cervix.
- (2) "Reportable benign tumors" means noncancerous neoplasms occurring in the brain, meninges, pineal gland or pituitary gland.
- (3) "Confidential information" refers to information which may identify a cancer patient, health care facility or health care provider.
- (4) "Contractor" means that individual, partnership, corporation or other entity performing cancer registry services under a contractual agreement with the department.
  - (5) "Department" means the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.
- (6) "Population-based" refers to all cancers and reportable benign tumors diagnosed and/or treated within the state of Idaho by hospitals or other facilities providing screening, diagnostic or therapeutic services to patients with respect to cancer, and from physicians, surgeons, and all other health care providers diagnosing or providing treatment for cancer patients. (1999)

## 57-1704. Establishment of cancer registry.

- (1) The department, or an authorized contractor of the department, shall maintain a uniform statewide population-based cancer registry system for the collection of data pertaining to the incidence, prevalence, management, survival, mortality, geographic distribution and risk factors associated with cancer and reportable benign tumors.
- (2) All cancers and reportable benign tumors diagnosed or treated in the state shall be reported to the department or the authorized contractor of the department.
- (3) Data reported to the cancer registry shall be available for use in aggregate form for analysis, bench marking, and reports of Idaho's cancer incidence, prevalence, management, survival, mortality, health status, geographic distribution, and risk factors in comparison to the nation. (1995)

#### 57-1705. Participation in program.

# (1) Primary reporting:

- (a) Any hospital, outpatient surgery center, radiation treatment center, or treatment clinic diagnosing and/or treating a patient with cancer or a reportable benign tumor, on an inpatient or outpatient basis, shall report each case of cancer or a reportable benign tumor to the department or the authorized contractor of the department within one hundred and eighty (180) days of diagnosis.
- (b) Independent pathology and cytology laboratories shall report each diagnosis of cancer or a reportable benign tumor to the department or the authorized contractor within one hundred and eighty (180) days of specimen analysis.
- (2) Secondary reporting: In the event that a case of cancer or reportable benign tumor was not diagnosed or treated within a hospital, outpatient surgery center, radiation treatment center, or treatment clinic, the department or authorized contractor may request the case to be reported by a physician's office.

- (3) Each report of cancer or reportable benign tumor shall include information as defined by the department or the authorized contractor.
- (4) The department or authorized contractor of the department shall have physical access to all records which would identify reportable cases and/or establish characteristics, treatment or medical status of reportable cases in the event that there has been a failure to report as delineated in subsections (1), (2), and (3) of this section or for the purposes of subsequent quality control studies and research projects conducted by the department or authorized contractor.
- (5) Nothing in this chapter shall prevent the department or authorized contractor from identifying and reporting cases using data linkages with death records, statewide cancer registries, and other potential sources. (1995)

## 57-1706. Confidentiality.

- (1) The department and authorized contractor will take measures to ensure that all identifying information is kept confidential.
- (2) The department and authorized contractor may enter into agreements to exchange confidential information with other states' cancer registries in order to obtain complete reports of Idaho residents diagnosed or treated in other states and to provide information to other states regarding their residents diagnosed or treated in Idaho.
- (3) The department and authorized contractor may furnish confidential information to other cancer registries, federal cancer control programs, or health researchers in order to collaborate research studies. Disclosure of confidential information for research purposes must comply with policies and protocols of the department and/or authorized contractor of the department. (1995)

## **57-1707.** Liability.

- (1) No action for damages arising from the disclosure of confidential or privileged information may be maintained against any reporting entities or employees of such entities that participate in good faith in the reporting of cancer registry data in accordance with this chapter.
- (2) No license of a health care facility or health care provider may be denied, suspended, or revoked for the good faith disclosure of confidential or privileged information in accordance with this chapter.
- (3) The immunity granted is subsections (1) and (2) of this section shall not be construed to apply to the unauthorized disclosure of confidential or privileged information when such disclosure is due to gross negligence or willful misconduct of the reporting entities. (1995)

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- 07. Cancer. (11-17-83)
- a. The following neoplasms are designated as reportable to the cancer data registry of Idaho within one hundred and eighty (180) days of diagnosis or recurrence: (4-5-00)
  - i. Each in-situ or malignant neoplasm diagnosed by histology, radiology, laboratory testing, clinical observation, autopsy, or suggested by cytology, but excluding basal cell and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin unless occurring on a mucous membrane and excluding in-situ neoplasms of the cervix is reportable. (4-5-00)
  - ii. Benign neoplasms are reportable if occurring in the brain, meninges, pineal gland, or pituitary gland. (9-21-92)
- b. The use of the words "apparently," "compatible with," "consistent with," "favor," "most likely," "presumed," "probable," "suspected," "suspicious," or "typical" is sufficient to make a case reportable. (9-21-92)
- c. The use of the words "questionable," "possible," "suggests," "equivocal," "approaching," and "rule out" is not sufficient to make a case reportable. (9-21-92)
- d. Each case must be reported by patient's name, demographic information, date of diagnosis, primary site, metastatic sites, histology, stage of disease, initial treatments, subsequent treatment, and survival time. (9-21-92)
- e. Every private, federal, or military hospital, pathology laboratory, or physician providing a diagnosis and/or treatment related to a reportable cancer is responsible for reporting or furnishing cancer-related data, including annual follow-up, to the cancer data registry. (7-1-02)
- f. All data reported to the cancer data registry shall be available for use in aggregate form for epidemiologic analysis of the incidence, prevalence, survival, and risk factors associated with Idaho's cancer experience. Disclosure of confidential information for research projects must comply with the cancer data registry's confidentiality policies, as well as the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's Rules, IDAPA 16.05.01, "Rules Governing the Protection and Disclosure of Department Records". (9-21-92)

#### 16.02.10 - Idaho Reportable Diseases:

https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/2009/16/0210.pdf

# IDAHO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE Department of Health and Welfare

IDAPA 16.02.10 Idaho Reportable Diseases

# IDAPA 16 TITLE 02 CHAPTER 10

#### 16.02.10 - IDAHO REPORTABLE DISEASES

#### 170. CANCER.

- **01. Reporting Requirements**. Cancer is to be reported within one hundred and eighty (180) days of its diagnosis or recurrence to the Cancer Data Registry of Idaho (CDRI). (4-2-08)
- **O2. Handling of Report.** All data reported to the CDRI is available for use in aggregate form for epidemiologic analysis of the incidence, prevalence, survival, and risk factors associated with Idaho's cancer experience. Disclosure of confidential information for research projects must comply with the CDRI's confidentiality policies as well as IDAPA 16.05.01, "Use and Disclosure of Department Records." (4-2-08)
- **03.** Cancers Designated as Reportable. Cancers that are designated reportable to the CDRI include the following as described in Section 57-1703, Idaho Code. (4-2-08)
- a. Each in-situ or malignant neoplasm diagnosed by histology, radiology, laboratory testing, clinical observation, autopsy, or suggested by cytology is reportable, excluding basal cell and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin unless occurring on a mucous membrane and excluding in-situ neoplasms of the cervix. (4-2-08)
- **b.** Benign neoplasms are reportable if occurring in the central nervous system including the brain, meninges, pineal gland, or pituitary gland. (4-2-08)
- c. The use of the words "apparently," "appears to," "comparable with," "compatible with," "consistent with," "favor," "malignant appearing," "most likely," "presumed," "probable," "suspected," "suspicious," or "typical" is sufficient to make a case reportable. (4-2-08)
- **d.** The use of the words "questionable," "possible," "suggests," "equivocal," "approaching," "rule out," "potentially malignant," or "worrisome," is not sufficient to make a case reportable. (4-2-08)
- **Report Content.** Each reported case must include the patient's name, demographic information, date of diagnosis, primary site, metastatic sites, histology, stage of disease, initial treatments, subsequent treatment, and survival time. Reporting of cases must adhere to cancer reporting standards as provided in "Standards for Cancer Registries, Vol. II." as incorporated by reference in Section 004 of these rules. (4-2-08)
- **05. Reported By Whom**. Every private, federal, or military hospital, out-patient surgery center, radiation treatment center, pathology laboratory, or physician providing a diagnosis or treatment related to a reportable cancer is responsible for reporting or furnishing cancer-related data, including annual follow-up, to CDRI.

  (4-2-08)

#### 022. PENALTY PROVISIONS.

These rules may be enforced under the civil and criminal penalties described in Sections 39-108. 39-109. 39-607. 39-1006, 39-1606, and 56-1008, Idaho Code, and other applicable statutes and rules. Penalties may include fines and imprisonment as specified in Idaho Code. (4-2-08)

# STANDARD SITE ANALYSIS CATEGORIES

Many data items in a cancer registry are collected using code categories more numerous than are desirable or practical for analysis. Primary site, histologic type, age, race and ethnicity, and extent of disease are all examples. To facilitate interpretation of data and comparisons across registries, the registry should use standardized groupings of these detailed codes into a smaller number of analysis categories.

While conventional standards do exist, the choice of methods depends on many factors, including the number of cases available for study, the availability of comparison data, and the needs of the investigator.

The selection of standard categories for analysis and presentation may depend on the choice and/or availability of comparison data. For example, central cancer registries that want to compare their incidence data with those of the SEER Program will need to conform to the methods by which SEER data were derived. Some investigators may need to develop special categories of data that are not routinely published. For example, the incidence rates for specific histologic types of cancer are not always published in routine reports, and investigators may have difficulty obtaining comparison data on them. Nonetheless, the cancer registry should be flexible enough to accommodate these investigators on an ad hoc basis¹.

To view site categories which are routinely used by the Cancer Data Registry of Idaho as well as the SEER Program for analysis go to: <a href="https://seer.cancer.gov/siterecode/">https://seer.cancer.gov/siterecode/</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Standards for Cancer Registries, Volume III, "Standards for Completeness, Quality, Analysis, and Management of Data". North American Association of Central Cancer Registries.

# REPORTING OPTIONS

These reporting options are available to Idaho hospitals, out-patient surgery centers, radiation treatment centers, and treatment clinics diagnosing and/or treating cancer patients on an inpatient or outpatient basis.

#### Option 1: FACILITIES WITH 150 OR MORE REPORTABLE CASES PER YEAR:

Facilities with high annual caseloads must employ a qualified cancer registrar, preferably a certified tumor registrar (CTR) or eligible. If the cancer registrar becomes delinquent in reporting, Cancer Data Registry of Idaho (CDRI) staff persons are available to assist the facility with abstracting. This service can be used one time per year for up to one-week duration as this service is meant only to assist with backlog. Fees for this service are charged by the hour depending on the staffing needs plus travel expenses. There are also outsourcing companies which will abstract and report your cases to meet the state's reporting requirements. The charge for this type of service varies depending on the outsourcing company.

## Option 2: FACILITIES WITH <150 REPORTABLE CASES PER YEAR:

- A. <u>Designate a staff person to report eligible cancer cases</u>: This person would be required to meet established standards for submitting complete, timely and accurate data electronically to CDRI in the required format. This person should have a background that includes, at a minimum, anatomy and physiology and medical terminology. A Certified Tumor Registrar (CTR) is preferred.
- B. <u>Utilize CDRI Staff</u>: CDRI staff will abstract and electronically report your facility's reportable cancer cases in a complete, timely, and accurate manner. Fees for this service are \$23.00 per abstracted case. *Note: Facilities utilizing this option will be required to provide an annual ICD-10-CM reportable cancer case list (ICD-10 codes will be provided by CDRI) and secure remote access to the EHR for cancer cases reporting.*
- C. <u>Hire a third-party vendor</u>: There are outsourcing companies that will abstract and electronically report your cases to meet the state's reporting requirements. The fees for this type of service vary.

## Option 3: FACILITIES WITH 15 OR FEWER REPORTABLE CASES PER YEAR:

Secure Remote Access: Hospitals with 15 or fewer reportable cases per year will provide an annual ICD-10-CM reportable cancer list (ICD-10 codes will be provided by CDRI) and secure remote access to your hospital's EHR for cancer case reporting by CDRI staff. Hospitals are required to meet the timeliness and completeness of case finding standards. Note: Hospitals who exceed the allowable case limit for Option 3 for three consecutive years will automatically be moved to Option 2 and a Letter of Agreement (below) will be initiated.

#### **CONSULTATION and TRAINING AVAILABLE:**

Staff from CDRI are available for consultation and training. In addition, CDRI provides periodic cancer registry workshops to continually provide education on reporting standards, coding, staging, and general registry operations.

# **LETTER OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN**

# THE CANCER DATA REGISTRY OF IDAHO (CDRI) and Hospital Name

(CDRI) and (Hospi (Year) and report	entered into on this day of 20xx by the Cancer tal Name). This agreement will begin with cancer cases diagnosed and ed/invoiced during (Year). (Hospital Name) has chosen to comply well using the following method:	and/or treated during
Please check the	appropriate option:	
А Н	ire an in-house abstractor (Certified Tumor Registrar (CTR) preferre	d).
	tilize cancer case reporting provided by CDRI and pay for expenses (ase).	(\$23.00 per abstracted
С Н	ire an outside abstracting consultant of hospital's choice.	
•	constitute any inpatient and/or outpatient admissions where cance us system are diagnosed and/or treated.	r or benign tumors of
By (signature):		
By (printed name	):Authorized Representative	Date
Cancer Data Regi	stry of Idaho	
By: (signature)	Denise M. Jozwik, RHIT, CTR Director of Data Quality	Date

# DATA TRANSMISSION

# **DATA TRANSMISSION PROCEDURES**

#### **FILE TRANSMISSION CRITERIA**

Data shall be transmitted using the NAACCR record layout version that is year-appropriate: https://www.naaccr.org/xml-data-exchange-standard/

Prior to submission the data should be error free using the Edit metafile provided by CDRI (NAACCR edit metafile modified to include Idaho-specific errors). Transmissions from Idaho sources must include the "full case record" in XML format. Cases reported through a National Interstate Data Exchange Agreement should be submitted in the "full case record", but a "confidential record" will be accepted ONLY if text is not available. Pathology data electronically transmitted shall be in the appropriate NAACCR layout according to "NAACCR Standards for Cancer Registries Volume V: Pathology Laboratory Electronic Reporting" <a href="http://www.naaccr.org/StandardsandRegistryOperations/VolumeV.aspx">http://www.naaccr.org/StandardsandRegistryOperations/VolumeV.aspx</a>.

#### ALLOWABLE DATA TRANSMISSION METHODS TO CDRI

- SEER\*DMS CDRI's database management system which allows direct file transfer.
- N-IDEAS a product that was developed for CDC-NPCR that allows for sending and receiving secure interstate data exchange files.
- PHIN-MS a secure messaging system for public health usage, which uses the ebXML (electronic business XML) standard and certificate-based encryption for electronic pathology reports.
- APHL-AIMS a secure, cloud based platform that accelerates the implementation of health messaging by providing shared services to aid in the visualization, interoperability, security and hosting of electronic data
- Secure encrypted email CDRI uses NeoCertified (<a href="https://med1.neocertifiedmail.com/">https://med1.neocertifiedmail.com/</a>). CDRI can also accept files sent via a facility's approved encrypted email system.
- Contact CDRI staff for set-up and/or questions regarding any of the transmission methods listed above.

# **DATA TRANSMISSION**

# **DATA SUBMISSION SCHEDULES**

In order to ensure timely reporting and processing, data report sources use the following data submission schedule for:

# New Cases Schedule

	Transmissions sent to CDRI
Idaho report sources	Send to CDRI by 5th of each month
Inter-state exchange	Annual or bi-annual

# Follow-up Schedule

	Transmissions sent to CDRI
Idaho report sources	Send to CDRI Annually (Sept)

# REFERENCE MATERIALS NEEDED TO REPORT CANCER

#### **Use Links Below to Access Current Products**

Most of the coding and reference manuals you will need can be found on the SEER <u>Manual</u> <u>Reference Guide</u> website.

- Standards for Oncology Registry Entry (STORE) (Commission on Cancer)
- CTR Guide to Coding Radiation
- ❖ Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) Products
- ❖ SSDI
- Solid Tumor Rules
- Hematopoietic Database and Manual
- International Classification of Diseases for Oncology Version 3 ICD-O-3 (World Health Organization)

#### Additional resources include:

❖ AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer/ajcc

**Note:** The AJCC is moving to rolling updates of individual chapters which will be available in electronic version only. The Version 9 cervix content is applicable for diagnosis starting January 1, 2021. The Anus, Appendix, and Brain & Spinal Cord is applicable for diagnosis starting January 1, 2023.

- Cancer Program and Data Standards (ACoS Facilities) https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer-programs/?page=1
- ❖ NAACCR Version 23 Standards and Data Dictionary (Vol. II) https://www.naaccr.org/data-standards-data-dictionary/ Effective 01/01/2023 Last Revised August 2022
- ❖ Compliant Cancer Reporting Software Hospitals must collect data using a compliant cancer reporting software.
- ❖ Idaho Cancer Reporting Standards https://www.idcancer.org/cancerreporting.html Revised for January 2023

# **CDRI Summary of Changes 2023**

#### **New Data Items -- CDRI**

CDRI did not add any new state-specific data items for 2023.

#### New Data Items from Standard Setters (AJCC, CoC, NAACCR, NPCR, SEER)

The following list of items are new for 2023 from national standard setters. Please refer to the appropriate coding manual for additional information.

Item #	Item Name	Source of Standard
671	RX HospSurg Prim Site 2023	CoC
1291	RX SummSurg Prim Site 2023	SEER/CoC
1854	No Patient Contact Flag	NAACCR
1856	Reporting Facility Restriction Flag	NAACCR
3960	Histologic Subtype	SEER
3961	Clinical Margin Width	CoC

#### **Retired Data Items -- CDRI**

Do Not Contact Patient (Item # 9983) is no longer required as of 2023 diagnoses. Idaho will rely on the new NAACCR data item 1854 – No Patient Contact Flag

#### **Retired Data Items – Standard Setters**

There are 45 retired data items from Standard Setters effective for 2023 cases. Please refer to the <u>v23</u> <u>Implementation Guide</u> for a complete list.

# **Social Security Number**

Item #	Length	XML Tag	Allowable Values	Required Status
2320	9	socialSecurityNumber	See Coding Instructions; cannot be blank	All Years

# **Description**

Records the patient's Social Security Number (SSN). This instruction allows for partial SSNs.

#### **Rationale**

Social Security Number is collected by central cancer registries for identification and matching purposes; it is not submitted to CDC or NCI SEER.

# **Coding Instructions**

- Code the patient's Social Security Number
- Do not automatically enter a patient's Medicare claim number; it may not always be the patient's Social Security Number
- Exhaust all possible sources before coding 999999999. Partial SSN's are acceptable if the full SSN is not available. Most commonly this will be the last 4 digits but could be the first 5 digits. For partial SSNs, fill the missing characters with blanks.

# **Medicare Beneficiary Identifier**

Item #	Length	XML Tag	Allowable Values	Required Status
2315	11	medicareBeneficiaryIdentifier	See Coding	2018+
			Instructions;	
			blanks allowed	

## **Description**

Congress passed the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization ACT to remove Social Security Number (SSN) from Medicare ID card and replace the existing Medicare Health Insurance Claim Numbers with a Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI). The MBI will be a randomly generated identifier that will not include a SSN or any personal identifiable information.

#### Rationale

MBI is collected by central cancer registries for identification and matching purposes; collection of MBI does not change how registries currently collect SSN. MBI is not submitted to CDC or NCI SEER.

## **Coding Instructions**

- Code the patient's 11-character Medicare Beneficiary Identifier
- Leave blank when MBI is not available, patient does not have Medicare, not applicable, or unknown

**Note:** The Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) is randomly generated and has 11 characters, consisting of numbers and letters, entered without dashes. The MBI format: <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/New-Medicare-Card/Understanding-the-MBI-with-Format.pdf">https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/New-Medicare-Card/Understanding-the-MBI-with-Format.pdf</a>

# Height

Item #	Length	XML Tag	Allowable Values	Required Status
9960	2	height	See Coding Instructions; cannot be blank	2011+

# **Description**

Records the patient's height at diagnosis.

#### **Rationale**

Used to calculate Body Mass Index (BMI), which is a risk factor and prognostic factor for many types of cancers.

# **Coding Instructions**

- Record patient's height in inches (2 digits); round to the nearest whole number
- Record patient's height as documented at or around the time of diagnosis. If height is not recorded on date of diagnosis, use the height recorded on the date closest to date of diagnosis before treatment started.
- Height should be taken from the Nursing interview guide, flow chart, or vital stats section of the medical record.
- Code 98 for 98 inches or greater
- Code 99 for unknown height
- Online conversion tool centimeters to inches: <a href="http://manuelsweb.com/in\_cm.htm">http://manuelsweb.com/in\_cm.htm</a>

# **Examples**

Code	Reason
72	Height of 72 inches
73	Height of 72.8 inches
98	Height is 98 inches (8 ft, 2 inches) or greater; this code will be rarely used, if ever
99	Height is unknown, not documented in patient record.

# Weight

Item #	Length	XML Tag	Allowable Values	Required Status
9961	3	weight	See Coding Instructions; cannot be blank	2011+

# **Description**

Records the patient's weight at diagnosis.

#### **Rationale**

Used to calculate Body Mass Index (BMI), which is a risk factor and prognostic factor for many types of cancers.

# **Coding Instructions**

- Record patient's weight in pounds (3 digits); round to the nearest whole number. For weights less than 100 pounds, precede with a zero.
- Record patient's weight as documented at or around the time of diagnosis. If weight is not recorded on date of diagnosis, use the weight recorded on the date closest to date of diagnosis before treatment started.
- Weight should be taken from the Nursing interview guide, flow chart, or vital stats section of the medical record.
- Code 998 for 998 pounds or greater
- Code 999 for unknown height
- Online conversion tool kilograms to pounds: <a href="http://manuelsweb.com/kg">http://manuelsweb.com/kg</a> Ibs.htm

#### **Examples**

Code	Reason
051	Weight of 51 pounds
175	Weight of 174.6 pounds
998	Weight is 998 pounds or greater; this code will be rarely used, if ever
999	Weight is unknown, not documented in patient record.

# **APPENDIX A**

# **COUNTY FIPS CODES FOR STATE OF IDAHO**

# For Coding County at Time of Diagnosis

Ada	001	Gem	045
Adams	003	Gooding	047
Bannock	005	Idaho	049
Bear Lake	007	Jefferson	051
Benewah	009	Jerome	053
Bingham	011	Kootenai	055
Blaine	013	Latah	057
Boise	015	Lemhi	059
Bonner	017	Lewis	061
Bonneville	019	Lincoln	063
Boundary	021	Madison	065
Butte	023	Minidoka	067
Camas	025	Nez Perce	069
Canyon	027	Oneida	071
Caribou	029	Owyhee	073
Cassia	031	Payette	075
Clark	033	Power	077
Clearwater	035	Shoshone	079
Custer	037	Teton	081
Elmore	039	Twin Falls	083
Franklin	041	Valley	085
Fremont	043	Washington	087

998 = Patient resides outside of the state of the reporting institution.

999 = Unknown county/country