

Fellow Registrars,

Lucinda will be taking over as editor of these Monthly Updates for the future. I am proud of the way these communications have expanded over my 11 years as editor and trust that you value the information we convey here. We will continue with this familiar format. If you see opportunities for any improvements in the future, please let Lucinda know. We want to continue to provide excellent communications to you, our customers and colleagues.

I will be retiring April 5 to spend more time with immediate and extended family. I have a new grandson arriving in April in NC and a flower garden that will be re-awakening with spring, so I expect to be busy. I am so grateful for this 20 year span in the Cancer Registry field. It is my sixth career and has been the most satisfying. It is important work that we do and I know that it continues in your good hands. I appreciate the ways that each of you have touched my life and am thankful for all I have learned from you through the years.

DUE DATES

To be on track, large hospitals (>500 cases/yr.) typically would be expected to have abstracted August 2020 diagnosis cases by March 15. Smaller facilities (<300 cases /yr.) would be expected to report the 3rd Quarter of 2020 by April 15.

EDUCATION

MCR Help-Line

Reach us at 1-800-392-2829 during regular office hours, or leave a message; a member of our QA team will return your call within one business day.

FLccSC-New Courses Available!

Earn 2 CEs

FCDS Educational Webcast-**Upper GI Tract Cancers-Diagnosis, Workup, Staging, Treatment**-Feb. 2021

Earn 3 CEs

NAACCR Webinar-**Lymphoma 2021**-Feb. 2021

Register for FLccSC https://mos.fcdislms.med.miami.edu/ords/f?p=105:LOGIN_DESKTOP

Show-Me-Tips

March 2021 Show-Me-Tips is on Radiation Therapy Coding and was adapted from a presentation by Wilson Apollo, MS, RTT, CTR and used with his permission. It covers Several different radiation delivery systems/approaches and coding.

SEER Educate

New on SEER Educate-ICD-O-3.2 Histologies for CEs and 2020 CoC Cancer Program Standards for CTR Prep. According to the 2021 ICD-O Guidelines, there are significant changes summarized below in Table 1.

Table 1: Summary of Diagnosis Year 2021 Changes in ICD-O-3.2

Volume	Change
16	Previously non-reportable neoplasms become reportable
9	Reportable pre-2021 neoplasms become non-reportable
10	Histology terms have been moved to other ICD-O terms
13	Histologies have a change in reportable terminology
12	New terms/ICD-O codes

The SEER*Educate training platform now has 100 practice cases (10 groups of 10 scenarios each). These are challenging scenarios selected to help people learn about the changes in the coding rules and how to use the ICD-O-3.2. This series has been awarded CEs by NCRA. You must score 70% or more on every test in a series to earn the CE for that series. You may retake as many times as necessary to earn the CE.

The CoC Cancer Program Standards are dynamic. SEER*Educate released a series on the 2020 CoC Cancer Program Standards Manual. The CoC changes made to the 2020 Cancer Program Standards on 2/9/2021 are reflected in this series of 64 quizzes with 5 questions in each quiz. Log in or sign up at SEER*Educate today by visiting <https://educate.fredhutch.org/> and **Learn by Doing!**

**NCRA Complimentary Webinar: Sign Up Today!
Geek Hide and Go Seek (Where Do I Find This?)**

Tuesday, March 9, 2021
1:00 PM Central Time

Nancy Etzold, CTR, will provide tips and tools to save registrars time navigating the multitude of registry resources. Whether you are challenged by the number of references available to cancer registrars, suffer from short-term memory loss, or are new to the field, this webinar may help! The webinar is free, but registration is required. [Register today!](#)

MCR NEWS

Condolences

All of MCR is saddened by the passing of Winston, Deb Smith's constant companion and our MCR office dog. Deb rescued him years ago and gave him an absolutely wonderful life. Unfortunately, our foe cancer was his recent diagnosis. He will be familiar to many of you from his cameos at the end of my MoSTRA presentations. His happy and calm disposition was great for staff morale and he leaves a hole in each of our hearts.



ABSTRACTING TIPS

No new tips this month!

NEWS FROM THE STANDARD SETTERS

NAACCR

Revised Edits Metafile v21B

NAACCR will be releasing a revised edits metafile in mid-March. It will contain corrected and new edits for 2021 cases. Lucinda and I will have a MO-customized version to your software vendors as soon as we can after that.

REGISTRY TO RESEARCH

Global cancer statistics 2020: GLOBOCAN estimates of incidence and mortality worldwide for 36 cancers in 185 countries (GLOBOCAN – includes MCR data)

<https://acsjournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.3322/caac.21660>

Proportion of cancer cases and deaths attributable to alcohol consumption by US state, 2013-2016 (NPCR/SEER data)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1877782121000102?via%3Dihub#!>

Patients With cT1N0M0 Oral Squamous Cell Carcinoma Benefit From Elective Neck Dissection: A SEER-Based Study

https://jncn.org/view/journals/jncn/aop/article-10.6004-jncn.2020.7632/article-10.6004-jncn.2020.7632.xml?bc_md5=de36a10589b6bd6abf31c4dec2e95d0b&utm_source=JNCCN-ETOC-Trending-2%2F4%2F21&utm_medium=email

Comparative effectiveness of total neoadjuvant therapy versus standard adjuvant chemotherapy for locally advanced rectal cancer (NCDB data)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1533002821000025?via%3Dihub>

Breast Cancer Mortality Rates Have Stopped Declining in U.S. Women Younger than 40 Years (SEER data)

<https://pubs.rsn.org/doi/10.1148/radiol.2021203476>

Seizures Among Patients With Brain Metastases: A Population- and Institutional-Level Analysis (SEER data)

<https://n.neurology.org/content/96/8/e1237>

Variations in Persistent Use of Low-Value Breast Cancer Surgery (NCDB data)

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamasurgery/fullarticle/2775941>

RESOURCES AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

Using informatics to improve cancer surveillance

<https://academic.oup.com/jamia/article/27/9/1488/5907978?login=true>

Hedgehog Pathway Inhibitors: A New Therapeutic Class for the Treatment of Acute Myeloid Leukemia

<https://bloodcancerdiscov.aacrjournals.org/content/1/2/134>

FDA Approves New Treatment For Adults With Relapsed Or Refractory Large-B-Cell Lymphoma

[https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/fda-approves-new-treatment-adults-relapsed-or-refractory-large-b-cell-](https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/fda-approves-new-treatment-adults-relapsed-or-refractory-large-b-cell-lymphoma#:~:text=Today%2C%20the%20U.S.%20Food%20and,other%20types%20of%20systemic%20tr)

[lymphoma#:~:text=Today%2C%20the%20U.S.%20Food%20and,other%20types%20of%20systemic%20treatment.](https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/fda-approves-new-treatment-adults-relapsed-or-refractory-large-b-cell-lymphoma#:~:text=Today%2C%20the%20U.S.%20Food%20and,other%20types%20of%20systemic%20treatment.)

Systematic TRUS Biopsy vs mMRI–Targeted Biopsy for Biopsy-Naive Men at Risk for Prostate Cancer

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamaoncology/article-abstract/2775932>

Gastroesophageal reflux disease: A risk factor for laryngeal squamous cell carcinoma and esophageal squamous cell carcinoma in the NIH-AARP Diet and Health Study cohort

<https://acsjournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/cncr.33427>

Together, our work has meaning