

Case Administration

ABSTRACTED BY

Item Length: 3
Left Justified
NAACCR Item #570

Description

Records the initials or assigned code of the individual abstracting the case.

Rationale

This item can be used for quality control and management in multistaffed registries.

Instructions for Coding

Code the initials of the abstractor.

Code	Definition
(fill spaces)	Initials or code of abstractor.

FACILITY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FIN)

Item Length: 10
 Right Justified, Zero-filled
 NAACCR Item #540

Description

Identifies the facility reporting the case.

Rationale

Each facility's identification number (FIN) is unique. The number is essential to the National Cancer Data Base (NCDB) for monitoring data submissions, ensuring the accuracy of data, and for identifying areas for special studies.

Instructions for Coding

- *Facility Identification Number* is automatically coded by the software provider.
- For facilities with seven-digit FINs in the range of 6020009–6953290 that were assigned by the CoC before January 1, 2001, the coded FIN will consist of three leading zeros followed by the full seven-digit number.
- For facilities with eight-digit FINs greater than or equal to 10000000 that were assigned by the CoC after January 1, 2001, the coded FIN will consist of two leading zeros followed by the full eight-digit number.

Examples:

Code	Reason
0006439999	6439999, General Hospital, Anytown, Illinois
0010000099	10000099, Anytown Medical Center, Anytown, Illinois

Note: A complete list of FINs is available on the American College of Surgeons Web site at <http://www.facs.org/>.

NPI-REPORTING FACILITY

Item Length: 10
 Allowable Value: Ten digits
 NAACCR Item #545

Description

Identifies the facility submitting the data in the record.

Rationale

Each facility's NPI is unique. The number is essential to the National Cancer Data Base (NCDB) for monitoring data submissions, ensuring the accuracy of data, and for identifying areas for special studies.

NPI-Reporting Facility is the NPI equivalent of *Facility Identification Number* (NAACCR Item #540). Both are required during a period of transition.

Instructions for Coding

- *NPI-Reporting Facility* is automatically coded by the software provider.
- NPI should be recorded as available for cases diagnosed during 2007, and is required to be recorded for all cases diagnosed January 1, 2008, and later.
- NPI may be blank for cases diagnosed on or before December 31, 2006.

Code	Definitions
(fill spaces)	10-digit NPI number for the facility.
(leave blank)	NPI for the facility is unknown or not available.

ARCHIVE FIN

Item Length: 10
 Right Justified, Zero-filled
 NAACCR Item #3100

Description

Identifies the facility that originally abstracted the case.

Rationale

It is essential for hospital registries to have the ability to distinguish cases originally accessioned by each registry of the merged unit. This enables the CoC to manage the receipt of historical data and to appropriately attribute these data.

Instructions for Coding

- *Archive FIN* is automatically coded by the software provider.
- This data item never changes and must be included as part of the patient record when data are submitted to the NCDB.
- For facilities that have not merged, the *Archive FIN* and *FIN* (NAACCR Item #540) will be the same.
- If facilities merged after January 1, 2003, a new FIN was assigned to represent the merged facility. This new FIN was assigned to all cases in the *merged* registry, but the *Archive FIN* for cases from each registry prior to the merger **does not** change.
- For facilities with seven-digit FINs in the range of 6020009–6953290 that were assigned by the CoC before January 1, 2001, the coded FIN will consist of three leading zeros followed by the full seven-digit number. The Archive FIN must be recorded similarly.
- For facilities with eight-digit FINs greater than or equal to 10000000 that were assigned by the CoC after January 1, 2001, the coded FIN will consist of two leading zeros followed by the full eight-digit number. The Archive FIN must be recorded similarly.

Examples:

Code	Reason
0006439999	General Hospital, Anytown, Illinois (FIN: 6439999). Original diagnosis was made at this facility; both the FIN and the Archive FIN are the same.
0006439999 or 0006430000	General Hospital (FIN: 6439999) and Anytown Medical Center (FIN: 6430000) in Anytown IL merged; the two cancer registries were combined and now report as Anytown Medical Center. The new FIN for this reporting facility is 10000099. All cases from the merged General Hospital and Anytown Medical Center registry have the new FIN (0010000099) assigned to them. In addition, either the General Hospital Archive FIN (0006439999) or the Anytown Medical Center Archive FIN (0006430000) is retained in each record depending on which registry originally accessioned the case.

NPI-ARCHIVE FIN

Item Length: 10
 Allowable Value: Ten digits
 NAACCR Item #3105

Description

Identifies the facility that originally accessioned the tumor.

Rationale

It is essential for hospital registries to have the ability to distinguish cases originally accessioned by each registry of the merged unit. This enables the CoC to manage the receipt of historical data and to appropriately attribute these data.

NPI-Archive FIN is the NPI equivalent of *Archive FIN* (NAACCR Item #3100). Both are required during a period of transition.

Instructions for Coding

- *NPI-Archive FIN* is automatically coded by the software provider.
- This data item never changes and must be included as part of the patient record when data are submitted to the NCDB.
- For facilities that have not merged, the *NPI-Archive FIN* and the *NPI-Reporting Facility* (NAACCR Item #545) will be the same.
- NPI should be recorded as available for cases diagnosed during 2007, and is required to be recorded for all cases diagnosed January 1, 2008, and later.
- NPI may be blank for cases diagnosed on or before December 31, 2006.

Code	Definition
(fill spaces)	10-digit NPI number for the facility.
(leave blank)	NPI for the facility is unknown or not available.

OVERRIDE ACSN/CLASS/SEQ

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #1985

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edit *Accession Number, Class of Case, Seq Number (CoC)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

The edit, *Accession Number, Class of Case, Seq Number (CoC)*, checks the following:

- If the case is the only case or the first of multiple cases diagnosed at the facility (*Sequence Number–Hospital* = 00, 01, 60 or 61, and *Class of Case* = 0, 1, or 6), then the first 4 characters of the *Accession Number* (NAACCR Item #550) must equal the year of the *Date of First Contact* (NAACCR Item #580).
- If the case is first diagnosed at autopsy (*Class of Case* = 5), and the case is the only case or the first of multiple cases for a patient (*Sequence Number–Hospital* = 00, 01, 60, or 61), then the first 4 characters of the *Accession Number* must equal the year of the *Date of Last Contact or Death* (NAACCR Item #1750) AND must equal the year of the *Date of First Contact*.
- If the case is first diagnosed at autopsy (*Class of Case* = 5), and the case is the second or more case for a patient (*Sequence Number–Hospital* greater than 01 or greater than 61), then the year of the *Date of First Contact* must equal the year of *Date of Last Contact or Death*.

There are some exceptions to the above rules. *Override Acsn/Class/Seq* may be used to override the edit when the circumstances fit the following situation or one similar to it:

- The case may be the only or the first of multiple malignant cases for a patient (*Sequence Number–Hospital* = 00 or 01), but there is an earlier benign case (with an earlier year of the *Date of First Contact*) for which the *Accession Number* applies.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for the edit *Accession Number, Class of Case, Sequence Number (CoC)*.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if a review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE HOSPSEQ/DXCONF

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #1986

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edit *Diagnostic Confirm, Seq Num–Hosp (CoC)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

The edit, *Diagnostic Confirm, Seq Num–Hosp (CoC)*, does the following:

- If any case is one of multiple primaries and is not microscopically confirmed or positive lab test/marker study, i.e., *Diagnostic Confirmation* > 5 and *Sequence Number–Hospital* > 00 (more than one primary), review is required.
- If *Primary Site* (NAACCR Item #400) specifies an ill-defined or unknown primary (C76.0–C76.8, C80.9), no further checking is done. If *Sequence Number–Hospital* is in the range of 60-88, this edit is skipped.

It is important to verify that the non-microscopically-confirmed case is indeed a separate primary from any others that may have been reported. This edit forces review of multiple primary cancers when one of the primaries is coded to a site other than ill-defined or unknown and is not microscopically confirmed or confirmed by a positive lab test/marker study.

- If this edit is failed and the suspect case is confirmed accurate as coded, and the number of primaries is correct, set the *Override HospSeq/DxConf* to 1. Do not set the override flag on the patient's other primary cancers.
- However, if it turns out that the non-microscopically-confirmed cancer is considered a manifestation of one of the patient's other cancers, delete the non-microscopically-confirmed case. Check the sequence numbers of remaining cases, correcting them if necessary. Also check for other data items on the remaining cases that may need to be changed as a result of the corrections, such as stage and treatment.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for the edit *Diagnostic Confirm, Seq Num–Hosp (CoC)*.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if a review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE COC—SITE/TYPE

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #1987

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edit *Primary Site, Morphology-Type ICDO2 (CoC)* and/or the edit *Primary Site, Morphology-Type ICDO3 (CoC)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

There are multiple versions of edits of the type, *Primary Site, Morphology-Type*, which check for “usual” combinations of site and ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 histology. The SEER version of the edit is more restrictive than the CoC edit, and thus uses a different override flag. The CoC version of the edit will accept Override CoC-Site/Type or Override Site/Type as equivalent.

- The Site/Histology Validation List (available on the SEER Web site) contains those histologies commonly found in the specified primary site. Histologies that occur only rarely or never are not included. These edits require review of all combinations *not* listed.
- Since basal and squamous cell carcinomas of non-genital skin sites are not reportable to SEER, these site/histology combinations do not appear on the SEER validation list. For the CoC version of the edit, if *Primary Site* (NAACCR Item #400) is in the range C44.0-C44.9 (skin), and the ICD-O-3 histology is in the range 8000-8005 (neoplasms, malignant, NOS), 8010-8046 (epithelial carcinomas), 8050-8084 (papillary and squamous cell carcinomas), or 8090-8110 (basal cell carcinomas), no further editing is done. No override is necessary for these cases in the CoC version of the edit.

Review of these cases requires investigating whether the combination is biologically implausible or there are cancer registry coding conventions that would dictate different codes for the diagnosis (See *Cancer Identification* in Section I). Review of these rare combinations often results in changes to the primary site and/or morphology, rather than a decision that the combination is correct.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for edits of the type *Primary Site, Morphology-Type*.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if a review of all items in the error or warning message confirms they are correct and coded in conformance with coding rules.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE HOSPSEQ/SITE

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #1988

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edit *Seq Num–Hosp, Primary Site, Morph ICDO2 (CoC)* and/or the edit *Seq Num–Hosp, Primary Site, Morph ICDO3 (CoC)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

Edits of the type, *Seq Num--Hosp, Primary Site, Morph*, differ in use of ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 morphology. They force review of multiple primary cancers when one of the primaries is coded to a site-morphology combination that could indicate a metastatic site rather than a primary site. If *Sequence Number--Hospital* indicates the person has had more than one primary, then any case with one of the following site-histology combinations requires review:

- C76.0–C76.8 (Ill-defined sites) or C80.9 (unknown primary) and ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 histology < 9590. (Look for evidence that the unknown or ill-defined primary is a secondary site from one of the patient's other cancers. For example, a clinical discharge diagnosis of “abdominal carcinomatosis” may be attributable to the patient's primary ovarian cystadenocarcinoma already in the registry, and should not be entered as a second primary.)
- C77.0–C77.9 (lymph nodes) and ICD-O-2 histology not in range 9590–9717 or ICD-O-3 histology not in the range 9590–9729; or C42.0–C42.4 and ICD-O-2 histology not in range 9590–9941 or ICD-O-3 histology not in the range 9590–9989. (That combination is most likely a metastatic lesion. Check whether the lesion could be a manifestation of one of the patient's other cancers.)
- Any site and ICD-O-2 histology in the range 9720–9723, 9740–9741 or ICD-O-3 histology in the range 9740–9758. (Verify that these diagnoses are coded correctly and are indeed separate primaries from the others.)

If it turns out that the suspect tumor is a manifestation of one of the patient's other cancers, delete the metastatic or secondary case, re-sequence remaining cases, and correct the coding on the original case as necessary.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for an edit of the type *Seq Num–Hosp, Primary Site, Morph*
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE SITE/TNM-STAGE GROUP

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #1989

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edit *Primary Site, AJCC Stage Group - Edition 6 (CoC)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

The edit, *Primary Site, AJCC Stage Group - Edition 6 (CoC)*, checks that the pathologic and clinical AJCC stage group codes are valid for the site and histology group according to the *AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, Sixth Edition*, using the codes described for the items *Clinical Stage Group* (NAACCR Item # 970) and *Pathologic Stage Group* (NAACCR Item # 910). Combinations of site and histology not represented in any AJCC schema must be coded 88. Unknown codes must be coded 99. Blanks are not permitted.

Since pediatric cancers whose sites and histologies have an AJCC scheme may be coded according to a pediatric scheme instead, use *Override Site/TNM-Stage Group* to indicate the case was coded according to a pediatric staging system if it was not also coded according to the AJCC manual. Pediatric stage groups should *not* be recorded in the *Clinical Stage Group* or *Pathologic Stage Group* items. When neither clinical nor pathologic AJCC staging is used for pediatric cases, code all AJCC items 88. When any AJCC component is used to stage a pediatric case, follow the instructions for coding AJCC items and leave *Override Site/TNM-Stage Group* blank.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for the edit, *Primary Site, AJCC Stage Group - Edition 6 (CoC)*.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if the case is confirmed to be a pediatric case that was coded using a pediatric coding system.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE AGE/SITE/MORPH

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #1990

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edits *Age, Primary Site, Morphology ICDO2 (SEER IF15); Age, Primary Site, Morphology ICDO3 (SEER IF15); Age, Primary Site, Morph ICDO3–Adult (SEER), and/or Age, Primary Site, Morph ICDO3–Pediatric (NPCR).*

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

Edits of the type, *Age, Primary Site, Morphology* require review if a site-morphology combination occurs in an age group for which it is extremely rare:

If the edit generates an error or warning message, check that the primary site and histologic type are coded correctly and that the age, date of birth, and date of diagnosis are correct.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for the *Age, Primary Site, Morphology* edits.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE SURG/DXCONF

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #2020

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edits *RX Summ–Surg Prim Site, Diag Conf (SEER IF76); RX Summ–Surgery Type, Diag Conf (SEER IF46); and/or RX Summ–Surg Site 98-02, Diag Conf (SEER 106)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

Edits of the type, *RX Summ–Surg Prim Site, Diag Conf*, check that cases with a primary site surgical procedure coded 20-90 are histologically confirmed.

If the patient had a surgical procedure, most likely there was a microscopic examination of the cancer.

- Verify the surgery and diagnostic confirmation codes, and correct any errors.
- Sometimes there are valid reasons why no microscopic confirmation is achieved with the surgery, for example, the tissue removed may be inadequate for evaluation.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for edits of the type, *RX Summ–Surg Prim Site, Diag Conf*.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE SITE/TYPE

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #2030

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edits *Primary Site, Morphology-Type ICDO2 (SEER IF25)*; *Primary Site, Morphology-Type ICDO3 (SEER IF25)*; *Primary Site, Morphology-Type ICDO2 (CoC)*; and/or *Primary Site, Morphology-Type ICDO3 (CoC)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

There are multiple versions of edits of the type, *Primary Site, Morphology-Type*, which check for “usual” combinations of site and ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 histology. The SEER version of the edit is more restrictive than the CoC edit, and thus uses a different override flag. The CoC version of the edit will accept *Override CoC-Site/Type* or *Override Site/Type* as equivalent.

- The Site/Histology Validation List (available on the SEER website) contains those histologies commonly found in the specified primary site. Histologies that occur only rarely or never are not included. These edits require review of all combinations *not* listed.
- Since basal and squamous cell carcinomas of non-genital skin sites are not reportable to SEER, these site/histology combinations do not appear on the SEER validation list. For the CoC version of the edit, if *Primary Site* (NAACCR Item #400) is in the range C440-C449 (skin), and the ICD-O-3 histology is in the range 8000-8005 (neoplasms, malignant, NOS), 8010-8046 (epithelial carcinomas), 8050-8084 (papillary and squamous cell carcinomas), or 8090-8110 (basal cell carcinomas), no further editing is done. No override is necessary for these cases in the CoC version of the edit.

Review of these cases requires investigating whether the combination is biologically implausible or there are cancer registry coding conventions that would dictate different codes for the diagnosis (See *Cancer Identification* in Section I). Review of these rare combinations often results in changes to the primary site and/or morphology, rather than a decision that the combination is correct.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for edits of the type *Primary Site, Morphology-Type*.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE HISTOLOGY

Item Length: 1

Allowable Values: 1, 2, 3

NAACCR Item #2040

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override any of five edits: *Diagnostic Confirmation, Behavior ICDO2 (SEER IF31); Diagnostic Confirmation, Behavior ICDO3 (SEER IF31); Morphology–Type/Behavior ICDO2 (SEER MORPH); Morphology–Type/Behavior ICDO3 (SEER MORPH); and/or Morph (1973-91) ICD-O-1 (SEER MORPH).*

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

I. Edits of the type, *Diagnostic Confirmation, Behavior Code*, differ in the use of ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 and check that, for in situ cases (Behavior = 2), *Diagnostic Confirmation* specifies microscopic confirmation (1, 2 or 4). The distinction between in situ and invasive is very important to a registry, since prognosis is so different. Since the determination that a neoplasm has not invaded surrounding tissue, i.e. is in situ, is made microscopically, cases coded in situ in behavior should have a microscopic confirmation code. **Note:** Very rarely, a physician will designate a case noninvasive or in situ without microscopic evidence.

If an edit of the type, *Diagnostic Confirmation, Behavior Code*, gives an error message or warning, check that *Behavior Code* (NAACCR Item #523) and *Diagnostic Confirmation* (NAACCR Item #490) have been coded correctly. Check carefully for any cytologic or histologic evidence that may have been missed in coding.

II. Edits of the type, *Morphology–Type/Behavior*, perform the following overrideable check:

- Codes listed in ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 with behavior codes of only 0 or 1 are considered valid, since use of the behavior matrix of ICD-O-2 and ICD-O-3 allows for the elevation of the behavior of such histologies when the tumor is in situ or malignant. This edit forces review of these rare cases to verify that they are indeed in situ or malignant.

If a *Morphology-Type/Behavior* edit produces an error or warning message and the case is one in which the 4-digit morphology code is one that appears in ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 only with behavior codes of 0 or 1, verify the coding of morphology and that the behavior should be coded malignant or in situ. The registrar may need to consult a pathologist or medical advisor in problem cases.

Exceptions to the above: If year of *Date of Diagnosis* > 2000, then a behavior code of 1 is valid for the following ICD-O-2 histologies and no override flag is needed: 8931, 9393, 9538, 9950, 9960-9962, 9980-9984, 9989. Similarly, the following ICD-O-3 histologies are valid with a behavior code of 1: 8442, 8451, 8462, 8472, and 8473.

Note: The *Morphology-Type/Behavior* edits are complex and perform several additional types of checks. No other aspects of their checks are subject to override.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for the edits of the types, *Diagnostic Confirmation, Morph* or *Morphology–Type/Behavior*.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1, 2 or 3 as indicated if review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed: allow flag for edits of the type, Morphology–Type/Behavior
2	Reviewed: allow flag for edits of the type, Diagnostic Confirmation, Behavior Code
3	Reviewed: conditions 1 and 2 above both apply.

OVERRIDE LEUK, LYMPHOMA

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #2070

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edits *Diagnostic Confirmation, Histology ICDO2 (SEER IF48)*; and/or *Diagnostic Confirmation, Histology ICDO3 (SEER IF48)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

Edits of the type, *Diagnostic Confirmation, Histology*, differ in use of ICD-O-2 (NAACCR Item #420) or ICD-O-3 (NAACCR Item #522) and check the following:

- Since lymphoma and leukemia are almost exclusively microscopic diagnoses, this edit forces review of any cases of lymphoma that have diagnostic confirmation of direct visualization or clinical, and any leukemia with a diagnostic confirmation of direct visualization.
- If histology is 9590–9717 for ICD-O-2 or 9590–9729 for ICD-O-3 (lymphoma), then *Diagnostic Confirmation* (NAACCR Item #490) cannot be 6 (direct visualization) or 8 (clinical).
- If histology is 9720–9941 for ICD-O-2 or 9731–9948 for ICD-O-3 (leukemia and other), then *Diagnostic Confirmation* cannot be 6 (direct visualization).

If an edit of the type, *Diagnostic Confirmation, Histology*, produces an error or warning message, check that the *Histology* and *Diagnostic Confirmation* are correctly coded. Remember that positive hematologic findings and bone marrow specimens are included as histologic confirmation (code 1 in *Diagnostic Confirmation*) for leukemia.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for the edits of the type *Diagnostic Confirmation, Histology*.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE SITE/BEHAVIOR

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #2071

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edits *Primary Site, Behavior Code ICDO2 (SEER IF39); and/or Primary Site, Behavior Code ICDO3 (SEER IF39)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

Edits of the type, *Primary Site, Behavior*, require review of the following primary sites with a behavior of in situ (ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 behavior = 2):

C26.9	Gastrointestinal tract, NOS	C68.9	Urinary system, NOS
C39.9	Ill-defined sites within respiratory system	C72.9	Nervous system, NOS
C55.9	Uterus, NOS	C75.9	Endocrine gland, NOS
C57.9	Female genital tract, NOS	C76.0-C76.8	Ill-defined sites
C63.9	Male genital organs, NOS	C80.9	Unknown primary site

Since the designation of in situ is very specific and almost always requires microscopic confirmation, ordinarily specific information should also be available regarding the primary site. Conversely, if inadequate information is available to determine a specific primary site, it is unlikely that information about a cancer being in situ is reliable.

- If a specific in situ diagnosis is provided, try to obtain a more specific primary site. A primary site within an organ system can sometimes be identified based on the diagnostic procedure or treatment given or on the histologic type. If a more specific site cannot be determined, it is usually preferable to code a behavior code of 3. In the exceedingly rare situation in which it is certain that the behavior is in situ and no more specific-site code is applicable, set *Override Site/Behavior* to 1.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for *Primary Site, Behavior* edits.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

OVERRIDE SITE/LAT/MORPH

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1
 NAACCR Item #2074

Description

Used with the EDITS software to override the edits *Laterality*, *Primary Site*, *Morph ICDO2 (SEER IF42)*; and/or *Laterality*, *Primary Site*, *Morph ICDO3 (SEER IF42)*.

Rationale

Some edits in the EDITS software package check for code combinations that are possible, but quite rare. If the code combination generates an error message and review of the case indicates that the codes are correct for the case, then the override flag is used to skip the edit on future runs of the EDITS package.

EDITS Use

Edits of the type, *Laterality*, *Primary Site*, *Morph*, differ in whether they produce a warning or an error message and in use of ICD-O-2 or ICD-O-3 morphology and do the following:

- If the *Primary Site* (NAACCR Item #400) is a paired organ and *Behavior Code* (NAACCR Item # 523) is in situ (2), then *Laterality* (NAACCR Item #410) must be 1, 2, or 3.
- If diagnosis year is less than 1988 and *Histology* (NAACCR Item #522) is greater than or equal to 9590, then no further editing is performed. If diagnosis year is greater than 1987 and *Histology* equals 9140, 9700, 9701, 9590-9980, then no further editing is performed.

The intent of this edit is to force a review of in situ cases for which *Laterality* is coded 4 (bilateral) or 9 (unknown laterality) as to origin.

- In rare instances when the tumor is truly midline (9) or the rare combination is otherwise confirmed correct, enter code 1 for *Override Site/Lat/Morph*.

Instructions for Coding

- Leave blank if the EDITS program does not generate an error message for the *Laterality*, *Primary Site*, *Morphology* edits.
- Leave blank and correct any errors for the case if an item is discovered to be incorrect.
- Code 1 if a review of all items in the error or warning message confirms that all are correct.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not reviewed.
1	Reviewed.

COC CODING SYSTEM—CURRENT

Item Length: 2

Allowable Values: 00–08, 99

NAACCR Item #2140

Description

Indicates the Commission on Cancer coding system currently used in the record.

Rationale

Knowledge of the coding system that describes the meaning of the codes currently stored for each case is necessary for interpretation of the coded data. It is also necessary for correct conversion of the record to a different coding system or to a different registry software system. This item differs from *CoC Coding System—Original* (NAACCR Item #2150) if the record has been converted to a more recent coding system.

Instructions for Coding

- All fields in a case record should be coded according to the same Commission on Cancer coding system following record conversion.
- This code does not apply to patient race, primary site, histology, TNM stage and its components, or cause of death. The original coding systems for these items are recorded in other fields.
- This item should be updated every time the record is converted to another coding system.

Code	Label	Definition
00	None	No CoC coding system used.
01	Pre-1988	Pre-1988 version (Cancer Program Manual Supplement)
02	1988	1988 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i>
03	1989	1989 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i>
04	1990	1990 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i>
05	1994	1994 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i>
06	1996	<i>Standards of the Commission on Cancer Volume II: Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS)</i>
07	1998	<i>Standards of the Commission on Cancer, Volume II: Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS)</i> 1998 Revisions
08	2003	<i>Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS)</i>
99	Unknown	Unknown coding system.

Examples:

Code	Reason
00	A case accessioned in 1980 was coded according to codes developed locally by the hospital before it became involved in the Commission on Cancer Approvals Program and no conversion of the record has occurred since its accession into the registry.
08	A case accessioned in 1980 was coded according to codes developed locally by the hospital before it became involved in the Commission on Cancer Approvals Program. In 1989, the registry records were converted to conform to the codes defined in the 1989 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i> . The registry data were subsequently converted in 1996, 1998, and 2003 with the publication of each manual.

Code	Reason
08	A case accessioned in 1997 was coded according to 1996 <i>Standards of the Commission on Cancer, Volume II: Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS)</i> , and subsequently converted to correspond to the coding system expressed in <i>Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS)</i> .
99	A case was accessioned in 1989, but it is unknown whether the 1988 or 1989 version of the <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i> was used to code the case. The conversion of this record to a more recent coding system is not possible due the uncertainty of its original coding system.

COC CODING SYSTEM—ORIGINAL

Item Length: 2

Allowable Values: 00–08, 99

NAACCR Item #2150

Description

Indicates the Commission on Cancer coding system used to originally code the items.

Rationale

The coding system used when a case is originally coded limits the possible categories that could have been applied to code the case. Because code categories may change over time as new coding systems are developed, this item is used to assist interpretation when cases that may have been coded originally according to multiple coding systems are analyzed.

Instructions for Coding

- All fields in a case record should be coded according to the same Commission on Cancer coding system.
- This code does not apply to patient race, primary site, histology, TNM stage and its components, or cause of death. The original coding systems for these items are recorded in other fields.
- This item must not be changed when the record is converted to another coding system. That information is reflected in the data item *CoC Coding System—Current* (NAACCR Item #2140).
- Code 99 for cases coded prior to 2003 if the correct CoC coding system is not known, or if multiple coding systems were used to code a single case. Ordinarily, it will not be necessary to use code 99 for cases accessioned in 2003 or later.

Code	Label	Definition
00	None	No CoC coding system used.
01	Pre-1988	Pre-1988 version (Cancer Program Manual Supplement)
02	1988	1988 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i>
03	1989	1989 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i>
04	1990	1990 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i>
05	1994	1994 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i>
06	1996	<i>Standards of the Commission on Cancer, Volume II: Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS)</i>
07	1998	<i>Standards of the Commission on Cancer Volume II: Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS) 1998 Revisions</i>
08	2003	<i>Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS)</i>
99	Unknown	Original CoC coding system used is not known.

Examples:

Code	Reason
00	A case accessioned in 1980 was coded according to codes developed locally by the hospital before it became involved in the Commission on Cancer Approvals Program.
00	A case accessioned in 1980 was coded according to codes developed locally by the hospital before it became involved in the Commission on Cancer Approvals Program. In 1989, the registry records were converted to conform to the codes defined in the 1989 <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i> . The registry data were subsequently converted in 1996, 1998, and 2003 with the publication of each manual.
06	A case accessioned in 1997 was coded according to <i>1996 Standards of the Commission on Cancer, Volume II: Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS)</i> , and subsequently converted to correspond to the coding rules expressed in <i>Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS)</i> .
99	A case was accessioned in 1989, but it is unknown whether the 1988 or 1989 version of the <i>Data Acquisition Manual</i> was used to code the case.

RACE CODING SYSTEM—CURRENT

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1–6, 9
 NAACCR Item #170

Description

Describes how race is currently coded. If converted, this field shows the system to which it was converted.

Rationale

Race codes (NAACCR Items #160–164) have changed over time. To accurately group and analyze data, it is necessary to record the system used to record the race codes.

Instructions for Coding

This item is autocoded by the software provider.

Code	Definition
1	4-value coding: 1 = White, 2 = Black, 3 = Other, 9 = Unknown
2	SEER <1988 (1-digit)
3	1988 + SEER & CoC (2-digit)
4	1991 + SEER & CoC (added codes 20–97)
5	1994 + SEER & CoC (added code 14)
6	2000 + SEER & CoC (no new codes added, new items <i>Race #2–Race #5</i> added)
9	Other

RACE CODING SYSTEM—ORIGINAL

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1–6, 9
 NAACCR Item #180

Description

Describes how race was originally coded.

Rationale

Race #1–#5 codes (NAACCR Items #160–164) have changed over time. Identifying both the original and current coding systems used to code race promotes accurate data grouping and analysis.

Instructions for Coding

- This item is autocoded by the software provider.
- For cases diagnosed on or after January 1, 2000, this data item must be coded 6.

Code	Definition
1	4-value coding: 1 = White, 2 = Black, 3 = Other, 9 = Unknown
2	SEER <1988 (1-digit)
3	1988 + SEER & CoC (2-digit)
4	1991 + SEER & CoC (added codes 20–97)
5	1994 + SEER & CoC (added code 14)
6	2000 + SEER & CoC (no new codes added, new items <i>Race #2–Race #5</i> added)
9	Other

SITE CODING SYSTEM—CURRENT

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1–6, 9
 NAACCR Item #450

Description

Describes how the primary site is currently coded. If converted, this field shows the system to which it was converted.

Rationale

This information is used for some data analysis and for further item conversions.

Instructions for Coding

This item is autocoded by the software provider.

Code	Definition
1	ICD-8 and Manual of Tumor Nomenclature and Coding (MOTNAC)
2	ICD-9
3	ICD-O, First Edition
4	ICD-O, Second Edition
5	ICD-O, Third Edition
6	ICD-10
9	Other

SITE CODING SYSTEM—ORIGINAL

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1–6, 9
 NAACCR Item #460

Description

Describes how the primary site was originally coded.

Rationale

This information is used for some data analysis. Converted codes have a slightly different distribution and meaning than codes entered directly. Cancer registries record case histories over many years, so not all cases will originally be assigned according to the same code version.

Instructions for Coding

This item is autocoded by the software provider.

Code	Definition
1	ICD-8 and Manual of Tumor Nomenclature and Coding (MOTNAC)
2	ICD-9
3	ICD-O, First Edition
4	ICD-O, Second Edition
5	ICD-O, Third Edition
6	ICD-10
9	Other

MORPHOLOGY CODING SYSTEM—CURRENT

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1–7, 9
 NAACCR Item #470

Description

Describes how morphology is currently coded. If converted, this field shows the system to which it was converted.

Rationale

This information is used for some data analysis and for further item conversions. New versions of the codes used for recording histology and behavior reflect advances in medical and pathologic knowledge, and converted codes have a slightly different distribution and meaning than codes entered directly. Cancer registries record case histories over many years, so not all cases will originally be assigned according to the same code version.

Instructions for Coding

This item is autocoded by the software provider.

Code	Definition
1	ICD-O, First Edition
2	ICD-O, 1986 Field Trial
3	ICD-O, 1988 Field Trial
4	ICD-O, Second Edition
5	ICD-O, Second Edition, plus REAL lymphoma codes effective 1/1/95
6	ICD-O, Second Edition, plus FAB codes effective 1/1/98
7	ICD-O, Third Edition
9	Other

MORPHOLOGY CODING SYSTEM—ORIGINAL

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 1–7, 9
 NAACCR Item #480

Description

Describes how morphology was originally coded. If later converted, this field shows the original codes used.

Rationale

This information is used for some data analysis and for further item conversions. New versions of the codes used for recording histology and behavior reflect advances in medical and pathologic knowledge, and converted codes have a slightly different distribution and meaning than codes entered directly. Cancer registries record case histories over many years, so not all cases will originally be assigned according to the same code version.

Instructions for Coding

- This item is autocoded by the software provider.
- For cases diagnosed on or after January 1, 2000, this data item must be coded 7.

Code	Definition
1	ICD-O, First Edition
2	ICD-O, 1986 Field Trial
3	ICD-O, 1988 Field Trial
4	ICD-O, Second Edition
5	ICD-O, Second Edition, plus REAL lymphoma codes effective 1/1/95
6	ICD-O, Second Edition, plus FAB codes effective 1/1/98
7	ICD-O, Third Edition
9	Other

ICD-O-2 CONVERSION FLAG

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 0–4
 NAACCR Item #1980

Description

Specifies whether or how site and morphology codes were converted to ICD-O-2.

Rationale

This information is used for some data analysis and for further item conversions.

Instructions for Coding

- Codes 0, 1, and 2 are autocoded by the software provider.
- Codes 3 and 4 are manually entered following a review of the automated morphology conversion from ICD-O-1 or ICD-O-3 to ICD-O-2.

Code	Definition
0	Primary site and morphology originally coded in ICD-O-2.
1	Primary site and morphology converted without review.
2	Primary site and morphology converted with review; morphology machine-converted without review.
3	Primary site machine-converted without review; morphology converted with review.
4	Primary site and morphology converted with review.
5	Morphology converted from ICD-O-3 without review.
6	Morphology converted from ICD-O-3 with review.

ICD-O-3 CONVERSION FLAG

Item Length: 1
 Allowable Values: 0, 1, 3
 NAACCR Item #2116

Description

Identifies how the conversion of morphology codes from ICD-O-2 to ICD-O-3 was accomplished.

Rationale

This information is used for some data analysis and for further item conversions. New versions of the codes used for recording histology and behavior reflect advances in medical and pathologic knowledge, and converted codes have a slightly different distribution and meaning than codes entered directly. Cancer registries record case histories over many years, so not all cases will originally be assigned according to the same code version.

Instructions for Coding

- Codes 0 and 1 are autocoded by the software provider.
- Code 3 is manually entered following review of the automated morphology conversion from ICD-O-2 to ICD-O-3.

Code	Definition
(leave blank)	Not converted.
0	Morphology (Morph—Type&Behav ICD-O-3, NAACCR Item #521) originally coded in ICD-O-3.
1	Morphology (Morph—Type&Behav ICD-O-3, NAACCR Item #521) converted from (Morph—Type&Behav ICD-O-2, NAACCR Item #419) without review.
3	Morphology (Morph—Type&Behav ICD-O-3, NAACCR Item #521) converted from (Morph—Type&Behav ICD-O-2, NAACCR Item #419) with review.

TNM EDITION NUMBER

Item Length: 2

Allowable Values: 00–06, 88, 99

NAACCR Item #1060

Description

Identifies the edition of the *AJCC Cancer Staging Manual* used to stage the case.

Rationale

AJCC stage and component T, N, and M codes and rules have changed over time. This item enables the analysis of cases grouped by edition number.

Instructions for Coding

This item is autocoded by the software provider.

Code	Label
00	Not staged (cases that have AJCC staging scheme and staging was not done).
01	First Edition
02	Second Edition
03	Third Edition
04	Fourth Edition
05	Fifth Edition
06	Sixth Edition
88	Not applicable (cases that do not have an AJCC staging scheme).
99	Staged, but the edition is unknown.

**ICD REVISION COMORBIDITIES
AND COMPLICATIONS**

Item length: 1
Allowable values: 0, 1, 9
NAACCR Item #3165

Description

This item indicates the coding system from which the *Comorbidities and Complications* (secondary diagnoses) codes are provided.

Rationale

Following the implementation of *FORDS*, it was determined that additional *Comorbidities and Complications* data items were needed.

Instructions for Coding

ICD Revision Comorbidities and Complications is to be recorded for patients diagnosed on or after January 1, 2006.

Code	Definition
0	No secondary diagnosis reported.
1	ICD-10
9	ICD-9

RX CODING SYSTEM—CURRENT

Item Length: 2

Allowable Values: 00–06, 99

NAACCR Item #1460

Description

Describes how treatment for this case is now coded.

Rationale

This information is used for some data analysis and for further item conversions.

Instructions for Coding

- This item is autocoded by the software provider.
- The *FORDS* manual **must** be used to record treatment for all cases diagnosed January 1, 2003, or later and this item **must** be coded 06.

Code	Definition
00	Treatment data not coded/transmitted, ie, all treatment fields blank.
01	Treatment data coded using 1-digit surgery codes.
02	Treatment data coded according to 1983–1992 SEER manuals and CoC manuals 1983–1995.
03	Treatment data coded according to 1996 ROADS manual.
04	Treatment data coded according to 1998 ROADS supplement.
05	Treatment data coded according to 1998 SEER manual.
06	Treatment data coded according to FORDS.
99	Other coding, including partial or nonstandard coding.

DERIVED AJCC-FLAG

Item Length: 1
Allowable Values: 1, 2
NAACCR Item #3030

Description

Indicates the source data items used to derive AJCC Stage descriptors and Stage Group. It also indicates the target AJCC edition described by the derived AJCC Stage descriptors and Stage Group.

Rationale

AJCC Stage and component T, N, and M codes and rules change over time as does the method of deriving them. This item enables the analysis of cases grouped by coding and derivation version.

Instructions for Coding

Code	Description
(leave blank)	Not derived.
1	AJCC Sixth Edition derived from Collaborative Stage 2004 Edition.
2	AJCC Sixth Edition derived from EOD (prior to 2004).

DERIVED SS1977-FLAG

Item Length: 1
Allowable Values: 1, 2
NAACCR Item #3040

Description

Indicates the source data items used to derive SEER Summary Stage 1997.

Rationale

The derivation of SS1977 varies over time with the coding rules and codes in use when the components were coded. This item enables the analysis of cases grouped by coding and derivation version.

Instructions for Coding

Code	Description
(leave blank)	Not derived.
1	SS1977 derived from Collaborative Stage 2004 Edition.
2	SS1977 derived from EOD (prior to 2004).

DERIVED SS2000-FLAG

Item Length: 1
Allowable Values: 1, 2
NAACCR Item #3050

Description

Indicates the source data items used to derive SEER Summary Stage 2000.

Rationale

The derivation of SS2000 varies over time with the coding rules and codes in use when the components were coded. This item enables the analysis of cases grouped by coding and derivation version.

Instructions for Coding

Code	Description
(leave blank)	Not derived.
1	SS2000 derived from Collaborative Stage 2004 Edition.
2	SS2000 derived from EOD (prior to 2004).

CS VERSION FIRST

Item Length: 6

Numeric

NAACCR Item #2935

Description

This item indicates the number of the version initially used to code Collaborative Staging (CS) fields. The CS version number is returned as part of the output of the CS algorithm.

Rationale

Over time, the input codes and instructions for CS items may change. This item identifies the correct interpretation of input CS items.

Instructions for Coding

This item is autocoded by the software provider.

CS VERSION LATEST

Item Length: 6
Numeric
NAACCR Item #2936

Description

This item indicates the Collaborative Staging (CS) version used most recently to derive the CS output fields. The CS version number is returned as part of the output of the CS algorithm.

Rationale

The CS algorithm may be re-applied to compute the CS Derived items; for example, when the data are to be used for a special study, transmitted, or when an updated CS algorithm is produced. This item identifies the specific algorithm used to obtain the CS Derived values in the data record.

Instructions for Coding

- This item is autocoded by the software provider.
- *CS Version Latest* is recorded the first time the CS output fields are derived and should be updated each time the CS Derived items are re-computed.
- This item should not be blank if the CS Derived items contain stored values.
- This item should be blank if the CS Derived items are empty or the CS algorithm has not been applied.

