



# Arizona Cancer Registry Updates

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## **UPDATING PAGES FOR MULTIPLE PRIMARY AND HISTOLOGY CODING RULES NOW AVAILABLE**

Clarifications were recently issued for the Multiple Primary and Histology Coding Rules Manual. Please download the new pages from <http://www.seer.cancer.gov/tools/mphrules/download.html>. There are two links to the replacement pages, both located beneath the "Complete Manual" header near the top of the web page.

These updates represent clarifications and not actual changes to the rules. Therefore, there is no effective date and you may begin using them immediately. Updates are indicated by a vertical bar next to the text.

## **CORRECTION ISSUED TO BENIGN BRAIN & CNS MULTIPLE PRIMARY RULES**

A correction has been issued for Rule M4 in the Benign Brain & CNS Multiple Primary rules.

### **Rule M4 currently reads:**

Tumors with ICD-O-3 topography codes that are different at the second (Cxxx) and/or third characters (Cxxx) are multiple primaries.

### **The corrected wording is:**

Tumors with ICD-O-3 topography codes that are different at the second (Cxxx), third (Cxxx), or fourth (Cxxx) characters are multiple primaries.

Please note this in your copy of the manual.

## **CALL FOR 2007 and 2008 CASES**

The ACR is seeking copies of medical records for 2007 cancer cases for use in training workshops. New cases are being sought due to the major changes in abstracting rules that went into effect for cases diagnosed beginning in 2007.



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The criteria for cases are as follows:

- **PHI (protected health information), including physicians' names, redacted. Facility and personal identifiers removed or blacked out from the copy of each page of the record. Personal identifiers include: patient name, physician name, healthcare facility name and logo, any address (street, city, state, zip code), phone numbers, date of birth, Social Security Number, medical record number, or any other identifying information.**
- **Primary site breast, lung, colon, rectum, prostate, or bladder**
- **Class of case 0 through 2**
- **Diagnosis date on or after January 1, 2007**
- **Photocopy of cancer-related admissions (diagnosis, workup, treatment)**

If you would be interested in submitting copies of records, please contact Kara Locketti, Training Manager, at (602) 542-7592, or at [locketk@azdhs.gov](mailto:locketk@azdhs.gov).