



Arizona Cancer Registry

Summary of Changes to the:

Commission on Cancer Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards, Revised for 2009 and the Arizona Cancer Registry Supplement Effective for Cases Diagnosed January 1, 2009

This table does not list every change in FORDS. The changes noted by the CoC are included. Changes observed by the ACR, added pages and clarifications made by the ACR are included. It is important that the Preface and Appendix C are also reviewed.

NAACCR Item Name	PDF Page #	FORDS Page #	Nature of Change	Description of Change
Case Eligibility Clarifications	23	3A	Additional clarifications	ACR Supplement page added. Clarifications from the SEER manual.
Case Eligibility Clarifications	24	3B	Minor changes in wording	ACR Supplement page renumbered from 3A and changed some wording.
Overview of Coding Principles	36	14	Coding clarifications	Added language to note *14b to clarify staging of benign brain tumors.
Place of Residence at Diagnosis Clarifications	85-86	42A-42B	Additional clarifications	ACR Supplement pages added. Clarifications from the SEER manual.
Street Suffix Abbreviations for Patient Address	87-88	42C-42D	Coding instructions	ACR Supplement pages added.
SEER Geocodes for Coding Place of Birth	103	56A	Coding instructions	ACR Supplement page added.
Age at Diagnosis	106	58	Code definition	Code 000- Now includes cases diagnosed <i>in utero</i>
Race 1 thru Race 5 Data Item Clarifications	107-109	58A-58C	Additional coding clarifications	ACR Supplement pages added. Clarifications from the SEER manual.
Race 1	111	59	Coding instructions	"White" should be coded last among multiple races. "Hawaiian" should be coded first among multiple races.
Race 2	113	61	Coding instructions	"White" should be coded last among multiple races. "Hawaiian" should be coded first among multiple races.
Race 3	114	62	Coding instructions	"White" should be coded last among multiple races. "Hawaiian" should be coded first among multiple races.
Race 4	115	63	Coding instructions	"White" should be coded last among multiple races. "Hawaiian" should be coded first among multiple races.
Race 5	116	64	Coding instructions	"White" should be coded last among multiple races. "Hawaiian" should be coded first among multiple races.
Sex	118	66	Added definition	Added definition for Transsexual from SEER.
Marital Status at DX	119	66A	Coding instructions	Clarifications for definition on marriage from SEER based on date of diagnosis.

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NPI- Following Physician	142	76A	Coding instructions	Added web site for NPI number look-ups: https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/NPIRegistryHome.do
Date of First Contact	159	87	Coding instructions	Added instructions for non-analytic cases and when a patient is admitted for a diagnosis other than malignancy.
Date of Diagnosis Clarifications	161	88A	Coding clarifications	ACR Supplement page added. Clarifications from the SEER manual.
Date of Initial Diagnosis	163	89	Coding instructions	Use the actual diagnosis date (instead of the date of birth) for <i>in utero</i> malignancies diagnosed 1/1/2009 and later.
Priority Order of Reports for Coding Primary Site	167-168	90B-90C	Coding instructions	ACR Supplement page added. Added language that is contained within the 2007 Multiple Primary and Histology Coding Rules and the SEER Coding Manual. Notes regarding multifocal bladder tumors.
Grade/Differentiation	177	97	Code definition & Clarifications	"Dedifferentiated" added to the definition of code "3". Additional clarifications added from the SEER manual.
Tumor Grade Notes	179-181	98A-98C	Coding instructions	ACR Supplement page added. Additional instructions from the SEER Coding Manual.
Date of Multiple Tumors	190	99E	Correction	Correction to FORDS. Consult with MP/H. Do not use 8's for Kaposi Sarcoma.
Multiple Tumors Reported As One Primary	192	99G	Correction	Correction to FORDS. Consult with MP/H. Do not use 8's for Kaposi Sarcoma.
Multiplicity Counter	193	99H	Correction	Correction to FORDS. Consult with MP/H. Do not use 8's for Kaposi Sarcoma.
Surgical Diagnostic and Staging Procedure	207-208	109-110	Coding instructions & clarifications	If a lymph node is biopsied or removed to diagnose or stage lymphoma, and that node is NOT the only node involved with lymphoma, use code 02. Additional coding clarifications inserted for surgery code 25 and examples of surgical diagnostic and staging procedures.
Surgical Diagnostic and Staging Procedure at This Facility	209	111	Coding instructions & clarifications	If a lymph node is biopsied or removed to diagnose or stage lymphoma, and that node is NOT the only node involved with lymphoma, use code 02. Examples of surgical diagnostic and staging procedures.
SEER Summary Stage 2000	222	124	New code	Code 8 (Not applicable) added for non-malignant tumors.
First Course of Treatment	256	128B	Coding clarifications	ACR Supplement page added. Clarifications from the SEER Coding Manual.
Surgical Procedure of Primary Site Clarifications	264	134B	Coding clarifications	ACR Supplement page added. Clarifications from the SEER Coding Manual.
Scope of Regional Lymph Node Surgery	268	138	Coding instructions	Use code "9" for primary sites C75.1-C75.3.

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Scope of Regional Lymph Node Surgery at This Facility	270	140	Coding instructions	Use code "9" for primary sites C75.1-C75.3.
Surgical Procedure/Other Site	272	142	Clarification	Example for code "1" changed from "Surgical biopsy of metastatic lesion..." to "Surgical removal of metastatic lesion..."
Rx Hosp—Radiation	281	150A	Coding instructions	Code radioembolization as radioactive implants (code "2").
Rx Summ—Radiation	282	150B	Coding instructions	Code radioembolization as radioactive implants (code "2").
Rx Text—Radiation (Other)	284	150D	Instructions	Describe radioembolization procedure(s) in text field.
Coding RX Hosp-Radiation and Regional and Boost Treatment Modality	289	154A	Coding instructions	ACR Supplement page added. Clarifications from the SEER Coding Manual. Tables are to assist the registrar in coding the Rx-Hosp Radiation, Regional Treatment Modality and Boost Treatment Modality.
Regional Treatment Modality	291-292	155-156	Coding instructions & code definition	Code radioembolization as brachytherapy. Radioembolization added to definition of code "50."
Rx Text—Chemotherapy	307	170A	Instructions	Describe chemoembolization procedure(s) in text field.
Chemotherapy Definitions & Instructions	309-310	170C-170D	Coding definitions & instructions	ACR Supplement page added. Definitions and instructions from the SEER Coding Manual.
Chemotherapy	311-312	171-172	Coding instructions & clarification	Code chemoembolization as "01," "02," or "03," depending on the number of agents used. Clarification on coding systemic treatment (Planned/Not Planned).
Chemotherapy at this Facility	313-314	173-174	Coding instructions & clarification	Code chemoembolization as "01," "02," or "03," depending on the number of agents used. Clarification on coding systemic treatment (Planned/Not Planned).
Hormone Therapy Definitions	317	174C	Coding definitions & instructions	ACR Supplement page added. Definitions and instructions from the SEER Coding Manual.
Hormone Therapy	320	176	Coding clarification	Clarification on coding systemic treatment (Planned/Not Planned).
Hormone Therapy at this Facility	322	178	Coding clarification	Clarification on coding systemic treatment (Planned/Not Planned).
Immunotherapy Definitions	325-326	178C-178D	Coding definitions & instructions	ACR Supplement page added. Definitions and instructions from the SEER Coding Manual.
Immunotherapy	328	180	Coding clarification	Clarification on coding systemic treatment (Planned/Not Planned).
Other Treatment	336	186	Coding instructions	Code "1" for embolization using alcohol as agent. Code "1" for embolization to a site other than the liver where the embolizing agent is unknown.
Rx Text—Other	337	186A	Instructions	Describe procedure(s) where embolization uses alcohol, or an unspecified embolization is performed for a site other than liver, in text field.
Other Treatment Definitions	338-339	186B-186C	Coding instructions	ACR Supplement page added. Instructions from the SEER Coding Manual.
Other Treatment at this Facility	341	187	Coding instructions	Code "1" for embolization using alcohol as agent. Code "1" for embolization to a site other than the liver where the embolizing agent is unknown.

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Hematologic Transplant and Endocrine Procedures Definitions	343-344	188A-188B	Coding definitions & instructions	ACR Supplement page added. Definitions and instructions from the SEER Coding Manual.
NPI—Reporting Facility	377	208A	Coding instructions	Added web site for NPI number look-ups: https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/NPIRegistryHome.do
All "Override" Items	380-422	210-236J	Clarifications	Code 1 - Reviewed and confirmed as reported. Blank - Not reviewed; or reviewed and corrected
Override Age/Site/Morph	385	215	New codes	Added: 2 - Reviewed; diagnosis in utero. 3 - Reviewed; both conditions apply
Appendix G - Race and Nationality Descriptions from the 2000 Census and Bureau of Vital Statistics		Separate document	Coding clarifications	New Appendix G from SEER Program Coding and Staging Manual. To be used when race is not stated but other information is provided in the medical record.