Michigan Cancer Surveillance Program
April 2011 Update

National Cancer Registrars Week ~

The 15th annual National Cancer Registrars Week (NCRW) is April 11-15. The 2011 theme, *Cancer Registrars Pave the Way to a Cure*, reflects cancer registrars' role in compiling the critical information needed to support effective cancer treatment and research, with the ultimate goal of preventing cancer and finding a cure.

The MCSP staff would like to say *"Thank You"* for your incredible dedication towards quality cancer data management.

Standards and Errata Sections of Standard Setting Organizations ~

Are you familiar with who the standard setting organizations are? Well, the standards and errata sections of standard setting organization listed below can be accessed from the National Cancer Registrars Association at http://www.ncra-usa.org/i4a/pages/Index.cfm?pageID=3309.

American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC)	• Cancer Staging Manual and Handbook, Seventh Edition + errata • AJCC Cancer Staging Manuals, 1st-6th Editions • Collaborative Staging
Commission on Cancer (CoC)	• Cancer Program Standards • Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS) • Other publications
HHS Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services	• New, Deleted, & Revised ICD-9-CM Codes 10/08
International Classification of Diseases for Oncology (ICD-O)	• ICD-O-3 Updates To purchase ICD-O-3, *International Classification of Diseases for Oncology, Third edition* [ISBN 92-4-154534-8], **contact:** WHO Publications Center USA 49 Sheridan Ave, Albany, NY 12210 USA Email: QCORP@compuserve.com Tel# (518) 436-9686
North American Association of Central Cancer Registries (NAACCR)	• Data Standards & Data Dictionary http://www.naaccr.org/StandardsandRegistryOperations/VolumeII.aspx
National Program of Cancer Registries (NPCR) – CDC	• Software & Tools
Surveillance Epidemiology & End Results (SEER) - NCI	• Multiple Primary & Histology Coding Rules (MP/H) • SEER Program Coding and Staging Manual 2004 • SEER Summary Staging Manual - 2000 • SEER ICD-O-3 Coding Materials • Hematopoietic and Lymphoid Neoplasm Case Reportability and Coding Manual

*I*CD-9-CM Casefinding Code List for Reportable Tumors ~

The comprehensive ICD-9-CM Casefinding Code List for Reportable Tumors *effective date 01/01/2011* is available from SEER at
http://seer.cancer.gov/tools/casefinding/fy2011_casefindinglist_long.pdf.

The MCSP has exclusions to the collection of skin malignancies based upon the primary site and histology. If the following histologies arise in the skin (C44.0 – C44.9) they are NOT reportable regardless of the stage at the initial time of diagnosis. All other histologies of the skin are reportable, i.e.: melanoma, Kaposi sarcoma, mycosis fungoides, cutaneous lymphoma, etc.

Description	Histology Codes
Malignant Neoplasm (Carcinoma), NOS of the skin	8000 – 8004
Epithelial Neoplasms (Carcinoma), NOS of the skin	8010 – 8045
Papillary and Squamous Cell Neoplasm (Carcinoma) of the skin	8050 – 8082
Basal Cell Neoplasm (Carcinoma) of the skin	8090 - 8110

EXCEPTION: The above histologies **MUST** be reported if the primary site is skin of the male and female genital sites.

*A*bstract Plus ~

The CDC has recently completed the customized version of Abstract Plus 3.1 for Michigan. This is the version of Abstract Plus needed to process the NAACCR Version 12 records (required for records with a diagnosis date of January 1, 2010 or later). We are currently in the process of revising the Abstract Plus Training Manual for Michigan facilities. Our goal is to distribute the manual and update in early April 2011. Once it is ready, we will contact all facilities currently using Abstract Plus to begin preparing for the upgrade. If you have any questions, please contact Terry McTaggart at 517.335.9624 or mctaggart@michigan.gov.

*A*JCC Cancer Staging Manual ~

Update As of February 2011, Springer Publishing is NO LONGER replacing the 7th Edition of the AJCC *Cancer Staging Manual*. Springer will provide replacements for any manuals bought before November 2010, if you have the invoice number from your original order. For more information, please contact the publisher at 1-800-777-4643.

Since publication of the 7th Edition of the AJCC *Cancer Staging Manual*, a few minor staging clarifications were warranted. Errata replacement pages for the Cancer Staging Manual are now available from the AJCC at http://www.cancerstaging.org/products/replacement.html.

*A*JCC e-Staging Tool ~

The AJCC e-Staging Tool facilitates tumor registry staff and physician communication at any point in the patient work-up. The AJCC e-staging tool contains all 57 staging forms from the 7th Edition of the AJCC *Cancer Staging Manual*. Subscription to the AJCC e-Staging Tool includes:

- **An electronic staging form** for inclusion in patient clinical records and for retrospective staging of patients for public health reporting purposes
- **An easy-to-use calculator** for on-the-fly staging

- **A comprehensive and interactive guide** to the general rules of cancer staging and specific classifications for T, N, and M.

For more information on the AJCC e-Staging Tool, go to http://www.ajcce-staging.com.

Staging Moments ~

Staging Moments for the 7th Edition AJCC *Cancer Staging Manual* is now available. The Staging Moments is a facility-level educational series developed by the AJCC. It is intended to promote physician discussion on proper and accurate cancer staging. For use in the cancer department or tumor board conferences, this series offers succinct, case-based presentations following the common format of: symptom presentation; imaging work-up; and pathology diagnosis. These presentations target difficult and common staging scenarios and clarify the finer points of staging. Currently, there are three cases each for breast, colorectal, head and neck, lung and melanoma at http://www.cancerstaging.org.

NCRA Updates and Resources ~

The following Updates and Resources for Collaborative Stage Version 02.03 are now available at http://www.ncra-usa.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3570:

02/21/2011: Appendix C: Site Specific Coding Modules

Appendix C of the SEER Program Code Manual was created to eliminate the use of several manuals. Appendix C brings together site-specific instructions needed to abstract a case and facilitate efficiency and accuracy. Organized by primary site, the website provides ONE SOURCE for site-specific coding modules for SEER Coding Guidelines; Equivalent Terms, Definitions, Tables, Charts and Illustrations; Multiple Primary Rules; Histology Coding Rules; Collaborative Staging Coding Instructions and Surgery of Primary Site Codes. The link to Appendix C is http://www.seer.cancer.gov/manuals/2010/appendixc.html.

1/17/2011: Update for Cancer Registrars-Collaborative Stage version 02.03.02

Some of the Updates related to the status of CS version 02.03.02 are listed below. The link to the CS web page is http://www.cancerstaging.org/cstage/.

• Cancer Registry Software Vendors were notified recently that the fourth production release of the Collaborative Stage Data Collection System (CS version 02.03.02) is now available. Each software vendor is responsible to communicate with their customers about their client software updates. Cancer Registries should look for communication directly from their software vendor or contact their software vendor directly with questions about client software updates.

• Along with the shift to v.02.03.02 software; the schemas have also been updated. The CS web page has both 02.03.02 and the version 02.02 schemas posted. When your vendor updates your software to include the 02.03.02 revisions; Cancer Registrars should immediately begin using the 02.03.02 schemas. **While your software is still operating with version 02.02; Cancer Registrars should only use the 02.02 schemas.**

• The General Rules (Part 1 Section 1) has also been updated for use with CS Version 02.03.02. However, do not use this version of the General Rules until you receive and install your software upgrade with CS version 02.03.02.

*N*ew Standards Coming from the American College of Surgeons ~

Be on the look out for changes from the American College of Surgeons. They are working on a revised set of standards for approved hospitals that will be implemented in July 2012. A published set of 2012 standards will be completed in the summer of 2011. There will be a greater focus on patient centered standards like patient navigation systems, patient input, and quality of care metrics. This means that the Commission will enter an era of minimum patient care standards and other new benchmarks for their facilities. They have rewritten a significant portion of the Cancer Liaison for each center. This new language puts a fresh set of obligations specific to data use and data quality. A draft copy will be sent to the Liaisons over the next few weeks. There will be a series of educational opportunities at NCRA, a west coast workshop to cover the majority of the representatives and a Webinar series. Expect this to lead to hospital registry data serving as the source of critical metrics important to a hospitals assessment by ACOS.

*M*CSP Workshops ~

Don't forget! The MCSP is offering the following workshops during 2011. All workshops will be held in Lansing and are free of charge. If you are interested in attending a workshop, please contact your field representative Jetty Alverson or Michelle Hulbert.

Series One
Workshop #3:   Multiple Primary and Histology Coding Rules: Friday, April 22 & Friday, April 29
Workshop #4:   Hematopoietic and Lymphoid Neoplasms: Friday, May 6
Workshop #5:   Abstracting: Friday, May 27

Series Two
Workshop #1:   Basic Cancer Reporting: Thursday & Friday, June 23-24
Workshop #2:   Collaborative Staging Version Two: Thursday & Friday, July 28-29
Workshop #3:   Multiple Primary and Histology Coding Rules: Thursday & Friday, August 25-26
Workshop #4:   Hematopoietic and Lymphoid Neoplasms: Friday, September 23
Workshop #5:   Abstracting: Friday, October 21

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If you have any questions regarding cancer reporting, or would like more information about workshops, please feel free to give one of us a call.

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