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NAACCR 2010 CALL FOR DATA

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Dear NAACCR Main Contact (Merge Mail):

The NAACCR Data Use and Research and the Data Evaluation and Certification Committees invite you to submit incident cancer cases from your registry for the years, 1995 through 2007, to be used for cancer statistics, surveillance, and research projects and activities. All data must be submitted using the NAACCR Record Layout, Version 11.3. All variables must conform to NAACCR standard definitions and codes, as described in Volume II, Version 11.3 of the NAACCR Standards for Cancer Registries: Data Standards and Data Dictionary.

This is the second year that NAACCR has worked to coordinate the NAACCR call for data with the NPCR call.

The data submission deadline is midnight EST on Tuesday, December 1, 2009 for the data files and all forms and supporting documentation.

The data set requested for submission is essentially the same as for the 2009 call, except that the request for generation and submission of **the Great Circle Distance has been dropped**.

The key change of note is the addition of **a number of new edits and modifications** to previous years edits. There are 10 new edits in the 11.3A version EDITS metafile of which 9 are edits to collaborative stage fields that affect Derived stage. There are also refinements to 33 prior year edits in this EDITS metafile version. See *Coordinated_Call_for_Data_2010_Edits Metafile Summary* spreadsheet for details.

Also, registries are requested to carefully consider the options used in running the NHIA algorithm. Specifically, registries are strongly encouraged to **choose option 1 within the NHIA** algorithm in order to provide a more appropriate result. See item 5 of the General Instructions for more information.

The following standard procedures will apply to the 2010 Call for Data:

1. All materials and instructions for the NAACCR Call for Data 2010 are posted on the NAACCR Website and are now available for download. To access these files, go to the Call for Data 2010 page, located at this address: <http://www.naaccr.org/cfdmaterials>. We will begin accepting the online Call for Data Forms in October. A password will be sent to you to log in to our password-protected forms page.

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Note that if you don't have a digital signature, pages requiring signatures will still need to be faxed. *The summary reports on EDITS and Inter-record EDITS will also need to be faxed.*

2. Participation in the NAACCR Call for Data is voluntary. However, if you do choose to participate, for each use of the data you want to participate in (and some uses are grouped into categories), you must submit the data as requested for each of the uses. (e.g., Registry Certification or the primary uses of CINA, including the monograph, Annual Report to the Nation, CINA+ Online, etc). There are many uses of your NAACCR submission, and these are defined in the Instructions for Data Submission.
3. A request for consent to use data for five secondary uses proposed again this year:
 - (a) for US Registries to provide to the ACS and NCI to project state-specific incidence estimates for the publication, Cancer Facts and Figures.
 - (b) for use by NCI to estimate delay adjustment for use in trend statistics.
 - (c) for Canadian registries to consent to use the NAACCR-processed data submission with the statistical analytic unit used to create the NCI web-based resource, Provincial Cancer Profiles.
 - (d) for Canadian registries to consent to include subprovincial data in the Provincial Cancer Profiles.

The NAACCR Data Assurances Agreement explains the uses, protection, consent process, policies and safeguards NAACCR has to protect the data and their use. Please read them carefully, and contact Jim Hofferkamp, CTR at the NAACCR central office if you have questions (phone: 217.698.0800 x 5 or e-mail: jhofferkamp@naaccr.org).

Participating in the NAACCR Call for Data promotes and enhances the value of your registry and is a good use of your data. Your participation also helps to strengthen the mission of the organization and our role in enhancing cancer surveillance in the United States and Canada. Data quality feedback on the files will be provided to all participants.

NAACCR will host a free live webinar detailing the 2010 NAACCR Call for Data on September 2, 2009 at 1pm ET. For those not able to attend the live webinar, a recording will be posted on the NAACCR web site. Additional details will be sent via NAACCR list serve and posted to the NAACCR website as they become available.

Sincerely,



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