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Standards Volume II, Version 12
Release Summary

The NAACCR Board has approved release of the draft NAACCR Standards for Cancer Registries Volume II: *Data Standards and Data Dictionary, Version 12.* Although Volume II, Version 12 is not final, it is important that the NAACCR membership be notified of the extent of the revisions for cases diagnosed 2010 and later. We are releasing this Volume to alert members to the proposed changes, and will finalize the outstanding portions as soon as information becomes available. The major changes are highlighted below.

- A table of the new and revised data items is in this version of Volume II, Version 12, Appendix F.
- The record layout in Standards Volume II, Version 12 has expanded from a character length of 6,694 to 22,824, mostly because of expanded text fields, requested by member organizations.
- Many new data items and changes to existing data items came from the work and coordinated efforts between the taskforces that developed the AJCC Cancer Staging Manual 7th Edition and the Collaborative Staging System Version 2.00.00. There are about 55 new data items related to these changes.
- All date formats have changed to CCYYMMDD and the non-date values (i.e., 00000000, 88888888, and 99999999 used in date fields) are incorporated in either the new status fields or the new date flag fields (approximately 28) which use the HL7 "flavors of null". These revisions were requested by the NAACCR Semantic Data Work Group as part of the interoperability initiative.
- Pathology data items (approximately 30) were added to describe the origin of the pathology report(s) contributing to the cancer abstract as requested by the NAACCR Pathology Data Work Group as part of the interoperability initiative.
- Race (1-5) added new codes for Indian and Pakistani.

NOTE:

- There are two documents referenced in Volume II, Version 12 that are not available at the time of this release of Volume II. The AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 7th Edition and the Collaborative Stage Data Collection System, Version 2.00.00 will be released at a later date. These documents will contain the detailed coding instructions for many of the new variables.
- The Required Status Table (Chapter VIII) does not include the requirements set by the standard setting organizations. At the request of the standard setting organizations the Required Status Table will be updated with the CoC, NPCR and SEER requirements at a later date when the requirements are determined by each group.

NAACCR will post the final Volume II, Version 12 and the Volume II Access database to the NAACCR website when the Required Status Table (Chapter VIII) is complete. NAACCR will provide the membership with Volume II, Version 12 on a CD-ROM when all of the updates are finalized.