They Call Me Whello Yello: Revisiting the SEER Race and Nationality Descriptions

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Background
The Division of Vital Statistics of the National Center for Health Statistics and the Census Bureau each conducts a population-based national survey of deaths in the United States. The National Cancer Institute has developed the NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA) to help ensure the accuracy of the Asian/Pacific Islander race category. While they measure different things, the SEER program and the NAACCR share a common interest in improving the accuracy of data collection processes. For example, the CAUSE Project in New York is using NAACCR data to evaluate the accuracy of the current NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA). The results of this study will contribute to the development of a new NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA), which will be used to improve the accuracy of data collection processes for the Asian/Pacific Islander race category.

Methods
We applied the validity of the NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA) and compared it with the NAACCR data in the SEER program. We compared the results of the two analyses to determine if the NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA) is a valid and reliable method for identifying Asian/Pacific Islanders.

Results
The results of the study showed that the NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA) is a valid and reliable method for identifying Asian/Pacific Islanders. The study also showed that the NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA) is more accurate than the current NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA). The study also showed that the NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA) is more accurate than the current NAACCR Asian/Pacific Islander Identification Algorithm (NAPIIA).

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