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Dear NAACCR Members,

The NAACCR Research and Data Use Steering Committee and the CiNA Production and Certification Workgroups invite you to submit incident cancer cases from your registry, for diagnosis years 1995 through 2018, to be used for cancer statistics, surveillance, and approved research projects and activities.

The data submission deadline is midnight EST on **Tuesday, December 1, 2020** for the data files, all forms, and supporting documentation.

- All data must be submitted using the NAACCR Record Layout, Version 18 in an .xml file format. If your registry is unable to submit in either format, please contact Recinda Sherman at [rsherman@naaccr.org](mailto:rsherman@naaccr.org).
- All variables must conform to NAACCR standard definitions and codes, as described in Volume II Version 18 of the NAACCR Standards for Cancer Registries: Data Standards and Data Dictionary.

We recommend registries use *NAACCR\*Prep* to simplify the submission process. It is designed to streamline the submission and derive a variety of variables, including area-based social measurers, survival variables, and to improve reported race and ethnicity. *NAACCR\*Prep* also strips confidential data used to derive these variables before creating a final submission file.

In addition, NAACCR is requesting registries also:

- Include 2019 cases in their submission file. The 2019 cases will be used for evaluation purposes only and will not impact inclusion in CiNA or Certification.
- Create a VPR-CLS file—even for states not currently participating in VPR linkages. These files will not leave the registry. Detailed instructions are on the submission website.
- Review and/or complete the CaRRI (Cancer Registry Research Information) database. CaRRI will serve as a centralized resource for researchers interested in using registry data.

Materials and instructions for the NAACCR Call for Data will be posted on the NAACCR Website and available for download no later than September 16, 2020—2 pm EST on this day we will present the NAACCR December 2020 Call for Data Webinar. For more information:

<https://www.naaccr.org/call-for-data/>

Sincerely,

Betsy Kohler  
Executive Director, NAACCR

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