OCCR QUARTERLY

2021

By Christy Dabbs, AA, CTR

The Oklahoma Central Cancer Registry (OCCR) completed the annual data submission to the National Program of Cancer Registries (NPCR) and the North American Association of Central Cancer Registries (NAACCR) which includes cancers diagnosed between 1997 and 2019. By the end of January, 2022, we will have submitted preliminary 12-month data for evaluation which includes cancer cases diagnosed in 2020. Our goal is to meet or exceed the requirements from NAACCR for Gold Certification for 2019 cancer data.

To achieve Gold Certification, the data must meet all the following criteria, set forth by NAACCR (NAACCR, Inc., 2020):

- Case ascertainment achieved 95% or higher completeness.

- Death certificate is the only source for identification of fewer than 3% of reported cancer cases.

- Fewer than 0.1% duplicate case reports.

- All data variables used to create incidence statistics by cancer type, sex, race, age, and county are 100% error-free.

- Less than 2% of the case reports are missing demographic information on age, sex, and county.

- Less than 3% of the cases are missing information on race.

- The data is submitted to NAACCR for evaluation within 23 months of the close of the diagnosis year under review.

In November of 2021 the OCCR submitted to NAACCR and NPCR 460,908 cases for diagnosis years 1997-2019 of which 23,375 were for diagnosis year 2019.

NAACCR, Inc. (2020, July 6). Certification Criteria. Retrieved December 07, 2017, from North American Association of Central Cancer Registries: https://www.naaccr.org/certification-criteria/

The OCCR appreciates the level of commitment by the statewide cancer reporters who work hard throughout the year to submit the cases in a timely manner. You lay the foundation for the OCCR staff to fine tune the data to meet the NAACCR requirements for certification.

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year!

Raffaella, Christy, Paula, Judy, Barbara, Leslie, Julie, Lisa and Kerri

A VALUABLE RESOURCE YOU MAY BE OVERLOOKING

By Barbara Murray, CTR

If you have never heard of Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Educate, or you **have** heard of it and have never taken advantage of what is offered there, I encourage you to create an account.

Attending webinars and conferences are good ways of learning new codes and rules, but practicing what you learn is even more effective. Hundreds of practice questions and case scenarios provide ample coding opportunities. Immediate feedback and the rationale for answers is provided for a majority of the exercises, allowing you to learn in real time.

In addition to coding practice, SEER Educate also has a section of exercises specifically for Certified Tumor Registrar (CTR) exam prep which was just updated 11/10/2021.

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A REMINDER TO SUBMIT CASES TO THE OCCR

By Barbara Murray, CTR

This is a reminder to submit your 2021 cases for January – June, 2021 before December 31, 2021. The cases submitted by that date should reflect at least 50% of your facility's annual caseload for 2021. Compliance letters will be sent mid – late January 2022.

Compliance Letter Schedule
Reporting Period October 2021 – September 2022

Column 1 *Date of Diagnosis/Date of First Contact	The Month Cases from Column 1 Are To Be Abstracted And Uploaded **180 Days/6 Months	The Month Compliance Letters Will Be Sent
January 2021	July 2021	Mid-late October 2021 Expectation that 25% of the current year's caseload has been submitted.
February 2021	August 2021	
March 2021	September 2021	
April 2021	October 2021	Mid-late January 2022 Expectation: 50% of the previous year's caseload has been submitted.
May 2021	November 2021	
June 2021	December 2021	
July 2021	January 2022	Mid-late April 2022 Expectation: 75% of the previous year's caseload has been submitted.
August 2021	February 2022	
September 2021	March 2022	
October 2021	April 2022	Mid-late July 2022 Expectation: 100% of the previous year's caseload has been submitted.
November 2021	May 2022	
December 2021	June 2022	
January 2022	July 2022	Mid-late October 2022 Expectation that 25% of the current year's caseload has been submitted.
February 2022	August 2022	
March 2022	September 2022	

*Date of diagnosis is the date a patient is first diagnosed with a malignancy whether by tissue, imaging or other means. Date of first contact is the date your facility diagnoses a patient with a malignancy, or treats a patient with malignancy, if diagnosed elsewhere.

**180 days or 6 months is the maximum time allowed between diagnosing or treating a malignancy and reporting the cancer incident to the Oklahoma Central Cancer Registry (OCCR). The timeframe is established by Title 310 Chapter 567 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code.

The above chart shows that compliance letters sent out in July 2022, apply to cases diagnosed in October, November, and December 2021, which are to be submitted to the OCCR in April, May, and June 2022. The monthly submission schedule applies to hospitals reporting over 50 cases per year. Smaller facilities may report quarterly.
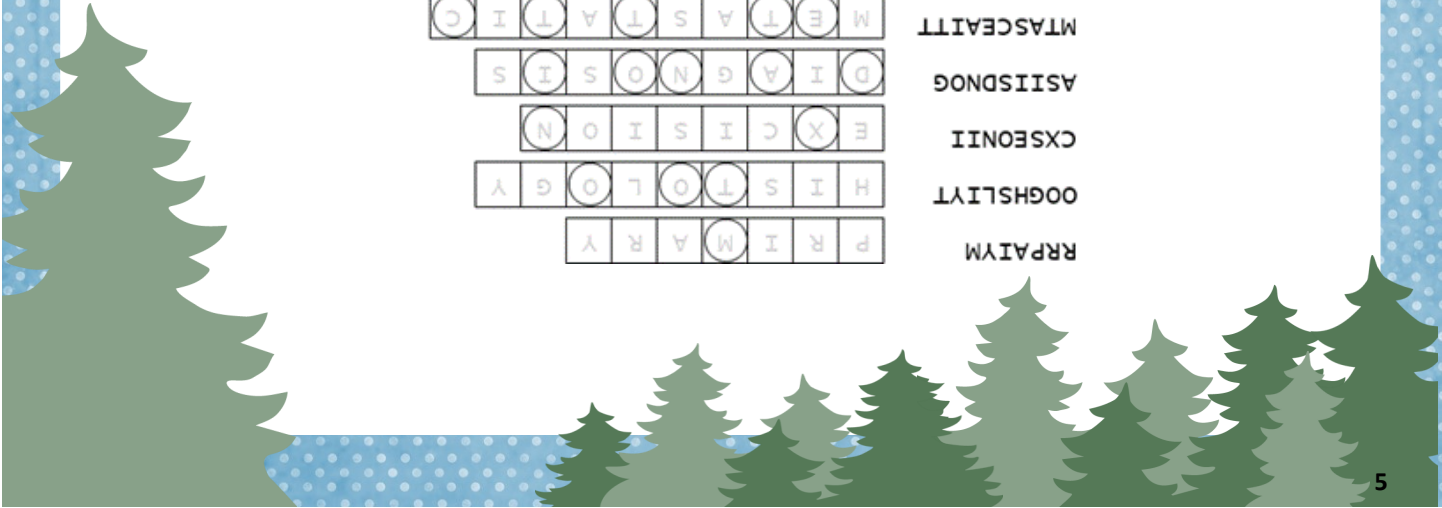
The Central Cancer Registry's Worst Nightmare?

Created by Barbara Murray, CTR

Solve the anagrams in the top part of the puzzle.

RRPAIYM

OOGHSLIYT

CXSEONII

ASIISDNOG

MTASCEAITT

NUEQECES

Use the circled letters from the words in the top part to complete the final word or phrase at the bottom. Each circled letter is used just once.

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