Appendix R

The 2018 ICD-O-3 Updates were adopted by NAACCR during 2017

The WHO is the organization responsible for the structure, format, coding rules and guidelines as well as the anatomical topography (primary site), histology, and behavior codes as published in the *International Classification of Diseases for Oncology*.

There have been numerous new publications by the WHO of the 4th edition “Blue Books” (and WHO Published Updates to 4th ed.) which are the worldwide accepted versions of the WHO Classification of Neoplasms are the primary resource for all old and new ICD-O-3 Codes/Terms/Conditions.

There have been multiple publications and revisions over time. More recently the revisions have been less formal taking the form of errata and/or updates to a certain edition of the WHO Classification.

**2011 Updates Include Three Significant Publications**

The 2011 ICD-O-3 Updates included new classification groupings, new codes, new terms, and changes to neoplasm behavior identified from the WHO “Blue Books” published since the original ICD-O-3 Manual.

- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Central Nervous System (2007)
- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Hematopoietic and Lymphoid Tissues (2008)
- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Digestive System (2010)

**2018 Updates Include More Significant Updates to Previously Published Classifications**

January 1, 2018 NAACCR has been allowed to provide yet another Update for the U.S. Most 2018 Updates are Based on ICD-O-3, 3rd ed. 2nd rev. and updates

- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Breast (2010)
- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Female Reproductive Organs (2013)
- WHO Classification of Tumors of Soft Tissue and Bone (2013)
- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Lung, Pleura, thymus, and Heart (2015)
- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Urinary System and Male Genital Organs (2016)
- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Central Nervous System, Revised 4th Ed (2016)