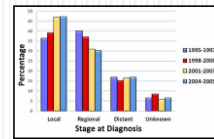


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2018 - A Year for Major Changes to Cancer Registry Data Standards

- New ICD-O-3 Histology Code & Behavior Codes
- New Histology Coding Rules and Tools
- New Reportable Cancers
- **2019 Solid Tumor MP/H Rules**
- 2018 Hematopoietic MP/H Rules
- Cancer Staging Updates
 - SS2018
 - Grade Coding
 - Site-Specific Data Items
 - **AJCC TNM 8th ed.**
 - **2018 SEER EOD**
- EDITS v18
- STORE Manual
- 2018 FCDS DAM



Harmonization &
Interconnectivity with Lots of
Moving Parts



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2018 - A Year for Major Changes to Cancer Registry Data Standards

ICD-O-3 Third Edition - 2007 Updates for Selected Solid Tumors	https://seer.cancer.gov/icd-o-3/
ICD-O-3 Third Edition - 2010 Updates for Hematopoietic and Lymphoid Neoplasms	https://seer.cancer.gov/icd-o-3/
2018 Guidelines for ICD-O-3 Histology Code and Behavior Update	https://seer.cancer.gov/icd-o-3/
2018 Solid Tumor MP/H Coding Rules	https://seer.cancer.gov/tools/solidtumor/
2018 Hematopoietic Database & MPH Rules – web-based version only	http://seer.cancer.gov/seertools/hemelymph/
2018 SEER*Rx – current web version	http://seer.cancer.gov/seertools/seerrx/
2018 Grade Coding Manual, Instructions and Tables	https://apps.naaccr.org/ssdi/list/
2018 Summary Stage Manual	http://seer.cancer.gov/tools/ssm/
AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 8th ed.	http://www.springer.com/medicine
AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 8th ed. – errata & breast chapter replacement	https://cancerstaging.org/references-tools/deskreferences/Pages/8EUpdates.aspx#Histology/Topography
AJCC Histology and Topography Code Supplement	https://cancerstaging.org/references-tools/deskreferences/Pages/8EUpdates.aspx#Histology/Topography
2018 Site-Specific Data Items Manual	https://apps.naaccr.org/ssdi/list/
2018 Site/Type Validation Table from SEER	https://seer.cancer.gov/icd-o-3/
CoC STORE Manual - Standards for Oncology Registry Entry	https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer/ncdb/registrymanuals/cocmanuals
SEER*SINQ - Inquiry System	https://seer.cancer.gov/seerinq/index.php
Coc Answer - Inquiry System	http://cancerbulletin.facs.org/forums/
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Presentation Outline

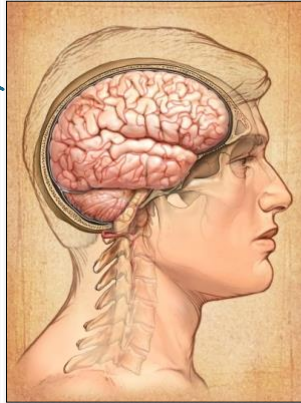
- Overview of Brain & CNS Neoplasms
- Reportable Brain & CNS Neoplasms
- Anatomy of the Human Brain & CNS
- Pediatric and Adult Brain & CNS Neoplasms
- WHO Classification for Brain and CNS Neoplasms
- **2019** Solid Tumor Rules – UPDATED from 2018
- 2018 SEER Summary Stage
- Site Specific Data Items
- Questions



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Overview



Brain Tumors are:

- **Primary “brain” tumors** - those that begin in the brain or central nervous system (or its supporting tissues) and tend to stay in the brain - occur in people of all ages, but they are statistically more frequent in children and older adults.
- **Metastatic “brain” tumors** – those that begin as a cancer elsewhere in the body and spread to the brain – are more common in adults than in children.

Brain Tumors are:

- **Benign** – “Benign” brain tumors are not cancer, although they often cause symptoms and will sometimes require treatment. We prefer to use the term “non-malignant” to describe brain tumors made up of noncancerous cells.
 - Behavior = 0
 - Sequence Number = 60>
 - Reportable for Cases Diagnosed 1/1/2004 and later - only
- **Malignant** – Malignant brain tumors are cancer. They generally grow faster and more aggressively than non-malignant tumors, invade other areas of the brain and spinal cord, and can be deadly.
 - Behavior = 3 and
 - Sequence Number = 00>
 - Reportable for All Cases Regardless of Diagnosis Date
- **Borderline** – Somewhere in-between having malignant potential.
 - Behavior = 1 and
 - Sequence Number = 60>
 - Reportable for Cases Diagnosed 1/1/2004 and later - only

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Source: American Brain Tumor Association Facts and Statistics <http://abta.org>

Brain Tumors are:

- **Malignant primary brain and CNS tumors** are assigned **Sequence Codes in the range 00-35**
 - Sequence Chronologically 00-35
 - Only count malignant tumors in the sequence
 - If only one malignant tumor occurs, it is coded 00
 - If subsequent (multiple) primary malignant and/or in situ neoplasms, the sequence number for the first tumor begins at 01, the sequence number for the second primary tumor is 02, and so forth.
- **Non-malignant primary brain and CNS tumors** are assigned **Sequence Codes in the range 60-87**.
 - Sequence Chronologically 60-87
 - Only count benign/borderline or reportable by agreement neoplasms in the sequence
 - If only one non-malignant tumor occurs, it is coded 60.
 - If subsequent (multiple) non-malignant neoplasms are diagnosed, the first tumor should be sequenced as 61, the second 62 and so forth.

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Brain tumors are:

Characterized by Anatomic Location, Histologic Type, Behavior and WHO Tumor Grade

- **Grade I:** These are the least malignant tumors and are usually associated with long-term survival. They grow slowly and have an almost normal appearance when viewed through a microscope.
- **Grade II:** These tumors are slow growing and look slightly abnormal under a microscope. Some can spread into nearby normal tissue and recur, sometimes as a higher grade tumor.
- **Grade III:** These tumors are malignant, although there is not always a significant difference between grade II and grade III tumors. The cells of a grade III tumor are actively reproducing abnormal cells, which grow into nearby normal brain tissue. These tumors tend to recur, often as a grade IV.
- **Grade IV:** These are the most malignant tumors. They reproduce rapidly, can have a bizarre appearance when viewed under the microscope, and easily grow into nearby normal brain tissue. These tumors form new blood vessels so they can maintain their rapid growth.

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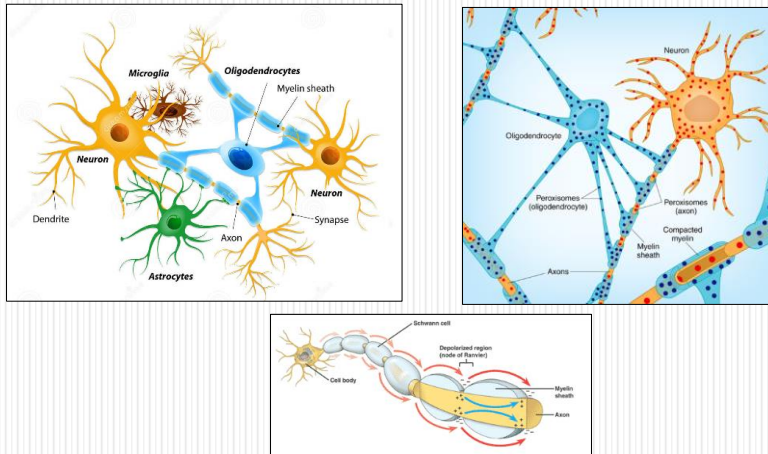
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Characteristics of Brain Tumors

- Start in the brain and grow steadily there.
- Very rarely spread to other organs through the bloodstream.
- Are named for the anatomic location of tumor and/or the cells from which they arise, each having a certain function essential to normal physiological functioning of the brain.
- For example:
 - Brain Stem Gliomas arise in the lowest part of the brain.
 - Meningiomas arise in the meninges.
 - Gliomas arise from glial cells that support the CNS.
 - Astrocytomas arise from astrocytes
 - Ependymomas arise from ependymal cells which line the ventricles
 - Oligodendrogliomas arise from oligodendrocyte cells which make up the fatty substance called myelin that covers nerves like electrical insulation.

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Characteristics of Brain Tumors



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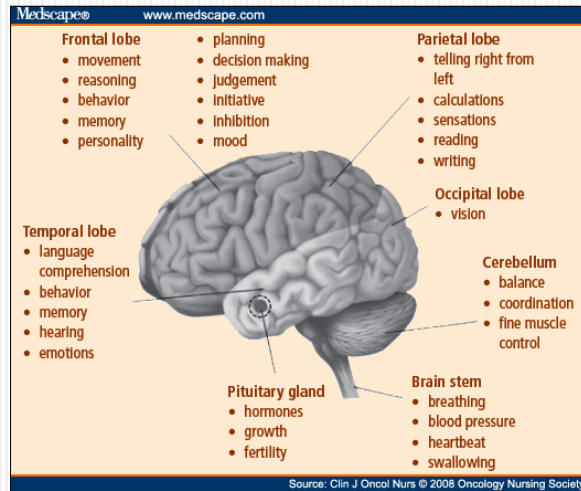
Range of Tumors and Symptoms

- There are over 120 different types of brain/CNS tumors.
- CNS tumors are associated with a range of symptoms and complications such as edema, seizures, endocrinopathy, fatigue, psychiatric disorder, venous thromboembolism that can seriously impact quality of life.
- Symptoms depend very much on the size and location of the tumor. General symptoms include persistent headaches which tend to be worse with activity, at night or early in the morning, convulsions, vomiting, subtle changes in personality, memory, mental ability, drowsiness, lethargy.

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American Brain Tumor Association & SEER Training Modules

Brain Anatomy and Function



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Tumor Location and Symptoms

- Symptoms are often tumor location specific or provide clues
- Symptoms on the right side of the body may occur if the tumor is located on the left side of the brain and vice-versa.
 - The speech center in most people is on the left side of the brain. Symptoms of a tumor located here may include difficulty saying correct words while still capable of understanding what is being said.
 - If the tumor is located in the frontal lobe which controls intellectual function, thought process, behavior and memory, those activities may be affected.
- Similarity to closed head injury victims (motorcycle crash).

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SEER Training Modules

ALL Brain Tumors are Reportable

- Public Law 107-260, the [Benign Brain Tumor Cancer Registries Amendment Act, \[PDF-185KB\]](#) requires programs participating in the National Program for Cancer Registries (NPCR) to collect data on benign and borderline tumors of the central nervous system in addition to the previously required data on malignant tumors.
- In addition to NPCR, the National Cancer Institute's (NCI) Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) program and the American College of Surgeons' (ACoS) Commission on Cancer began requiring that these tumors be reported, starting with cases diagnosed on January 1, 2004.

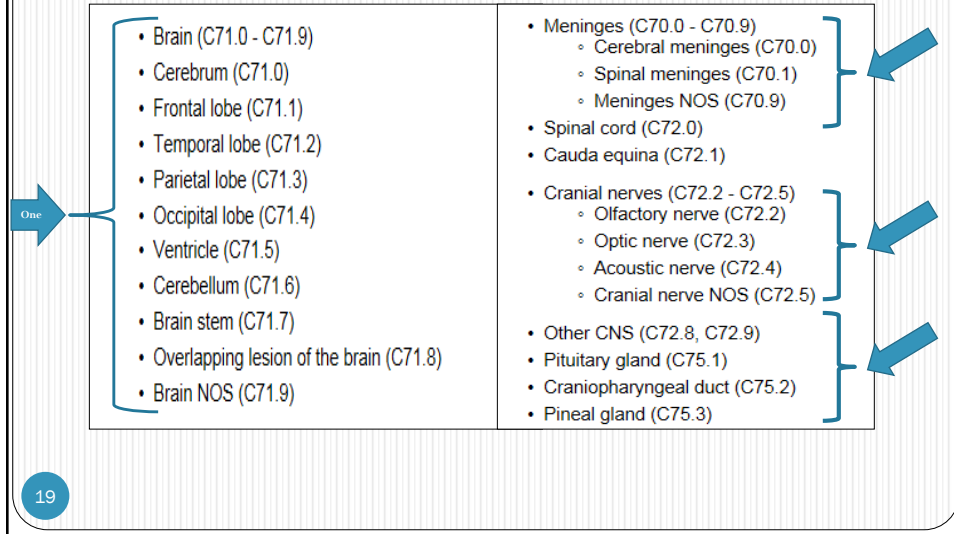
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ALL Brain Tumors are Reportable

- **BUT** – **Do Not Report Benign/Borderline Tumors** that were **Diagnosed BEFORE 1/1/2004** – **NOT EVEN HISTORICAL**
- This creates an ERROR for FCDS at Call for Data
- FCDS then has to Delete the Case and Adjust Sequences

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ICD-O Topography Codes (Anatomic Site)



Clarification for Some Sites/Types

- WHO Grade I is ALWAYS a Non-Malignant Tumor
- WHO Grade 2 may be either non-malignant or malignant.
- NEW - WHO Grade Table in 2019 Solid Tumor Rules
- C710-C719 is treated as a single primary site
- No Timing Rules for Brain Tumors
- Dermoid Cyst is Reportable
- Intraspinal Tumors are Reportable
- Sphenoid Wing Meningioma arises in Cranial Meninges (C70.0)
- Intraosseous Meningioma arises in Dura of Meninges (C70.0)
- Cavernous Sinus Meningioma grown into the sinus – so, they can arise from either Cranial Meninges (C70.0) or Cranial Nerve (C72.5)
- Cavernous Sinus Hemangioma is also a reportable neoplasm (C70.0)

Not Reportable Neoplasms

Table 4: Non-Reportable Neoplasms

Use Table 4 for **non-malignant neoplasms ONLY**. The table identifies histology/site combinations which are **not reportable**. This table was created from WHO with the cooperation of the Central Brain Tumor Registry of the United States (CBTRUS).

Non-reportable Histology Term	Non-reportable Histology Code	Definitions and Sites
Carcinomas	8010-8060, 8071-8671, 8940-8941	Brain C710-C719 Site/histology edit carcinomas/brain
Carcinomas	8010-8671, 8940-8941	Cerebral meninges, spinal meninges, meninges NOS C700-C709 Site/histology edit carcinomas/meninges
Carcinomas	8010-8671, 8940-8941	C721-C729 (Other central nervous system) Site/histology edit carcinomas/other CNS
Colloid cyst	No code	
Epidermoid tumor/cyst	No code	
Gloinus tympanicum, gloinus jugulare	8690.1	These tumors occur in the inner ear, the aortic body and other paraganglia respectively, these sites are not reportable .
Hygroma	9173.0	
Hypothalamic hamartoma	No code	Occurs in hypothalamus
Neurofibromatosis, type 1 (NF1)	No code*	Genetic disease that produces non-malignant tumors in the skin, brain, CNS, and other sites. The brain and CNS tumors spawned by NF1 are reportable, the genetic disease is not.
Neurofibromatosis, type 2 (NF2)	No code*	Genetic disease that produces non-malignant tumors in the skin, brain, CNS, and other sites. The brain and CNS tumors produced by NF2 are reportable, the genetic disease is not.
Neuroglial cyst	No code	Ventricles
Osteochondroma	9210.0	Originates in the cartilage around bone, site not reportable for non-malignant neoplasms
Rathke cleft cyst	No code	Sella turcica C751. This is a Rathke cleft CYST, not a Rathke cleft tumor.
Schwannomatosis	No code*	A form of neurofibromatosis newly named/discovered

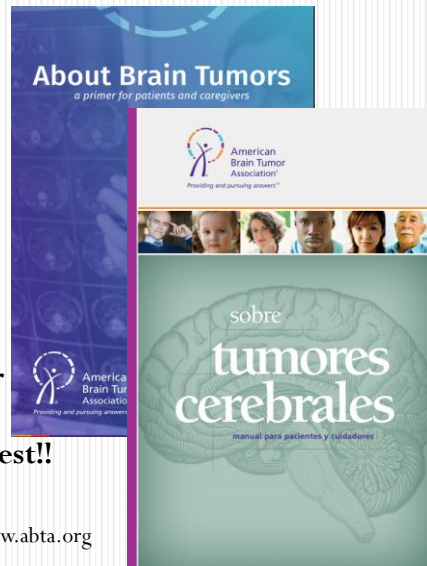
*The code which is currently in ICD-O-3 for neurofibromatosis will not be used in ICD-O updates or in future ICD-O editions

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2019 Solid Tumor Rules – Brain & CNS - NonMalignant

Brain Tumor Characteristics

- Patient Age
- Location
- Behavior
- Histologic Type
- WHO Grade of Primary Tumor
- Molecular Information – Newest!!

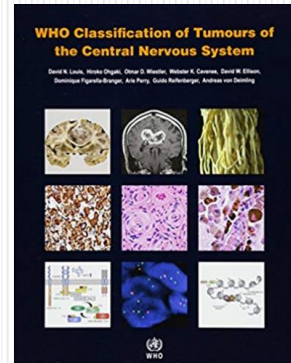


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American Brain Tumor Association – <http://www.abta.org>

2016 WHO Classification Groups

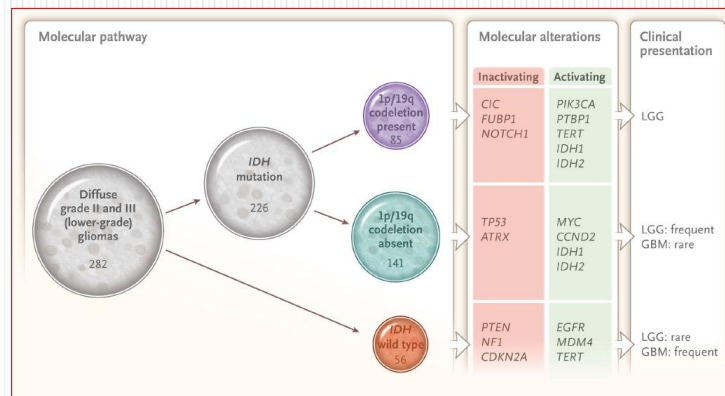
- Diffuse Astrocytic and Oligodendroglial Tumors
- Other Astrocytic Tumors
- Ependymal Tumors
- Other Gliomas
- Neuronal and Mixed Neuronal-Glial Tumors
- Tumors of Pineal Region
- Embryonal Tumors
- Meningiomas
- Mesenchymal/non-Meningothelial Tumors
- Hematopoietic/Lymphoid Malignancies
- Germ Cell Tumors
- Tumors of the Sellar Region
- Metastatic Tumors



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WHO Classification of Tumors of the Central Nervous System - [Revised Fourth Edition](#)

New Diagnoses are based on Combination of Histology, Behavior, Bio-molecular and Tumor Genetics Profile Plus the WHO Grade



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The NEW ENGLAND
JOURNAL of MEDICINE

2016 WHO Classification Groups

- 2016 CNSWHO presents major restructuring of the diffuse gliomas, medulloblastomas and other embryonal tumors,
- **And, incorporates new entities that are defined by both histology and molecular features,** including glioblastoma, IDH-wildtype and glioblastoma, IDH-mutant; diffuse midline glioma, H3 K27M-mutant, RELA fusion-positive ependymoma, medulloblastoma, WNT-activated and medulloblastoma, SHH-activated, and embryonal tumor with multilayered rosettes, C19MC-altered.
- GBM subsequent to an astrocytic or glial tumor is a multiple primary. GBM is now being collected as a new primary so it is possible to analyze the frequency with which these tumors recur in a more aggressive form (GBM).

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WHO classification of tumours of the central nervous system

Diffuse astrocytic and oligodendroglial tumours	Neuronal and mixed neuronal-glial tumours
Diffuse astrocytoma, IDH-mutant	Neurocytic neuroepithelial tumours
Diffuse astrocytoma, IDH-wildtype	Ganglioglioma
Diffuse astrocytoma, NOS	Ganglioglioma
Anaplastic astrocytoma, IDH-mutant	Anaplastic ganglioglioma
Anaplastic astrocytoma, IDH-wildtype	Dysplastic cerebellar gangliocytoma
Anaplastic astrocytoma, NOS	(Lhermitte-Duclos disease)
Glioblastoma, IDH-wildtype	Desmoplastic infantile astrocytoma and ganglioglioma
Glioblastoma, IDH-mutant	Papillary glioneuronal tumour
Glioblastoma, NOS	Rosette-forming glioneuronal tumour
Diffuse midline glioma, H3 K27M-mutant	Diffuse leptomeningeal glioneuronal tumour
Oligodendroglioma, IDH-mutant and 1p19q-codleted	Central neurocytoma
Oligodendroglioma, NOS	Extraventricular neurocytoma
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma, IDH-mutant and 1p19q-codleted	Cerebellar ependymocytoma
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma, NOS	Paraganglioma
Oligoastrocytoma, NOS	
Anaplastic oligoastrocytoma, NOS	
Other astrocytic tumours	Tumours of the pineal region
Pilocytic astrocytoma	Pineal parenchymal tumour of intermediate differentiation
Plasmocytoid astrocytoma	Pinealoblastoma
Subependymal giant cell astrocytoma	Papillary tumour of the pineal region
Pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma	
Anaplastic pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma	
Ependymal tumours	Embryonal tumours
Subependymoma	Medulloblastoma, genetically defined
Myxopapillary ependymoma	Medulloblastoma, WNT-activated
Ependymoma	Medulloblastoma, SHH-activated and TP53-mutant
Papillary ependymoma	Medulloblastoma, SHH-activated and TP53-wildtype
Clear cell ependymoma	Medulloblastoma, non-WNT/non-SHH
Tanytic ependymoma	Medulloblastoma, group 3
Ependymoma, RELA fusion-positive	Medulloblastoma, group 4
Anaplastic ependymoma	Medulloblastomas, histologically defined
Other gliomas	Medulloblastoma, classic
Choroid plexus papilloma	Medulloblastoma, desmoplastic/nodular
Atypical choroid plexus papilloma	Medulloblastoma with extensive nodularity
Choroid plexus carcinoma	Medulloblastoma, large cell / anaplastic
	Medulloblastoma, NOS
	Embryonal tumour with multilayered rosettes, C19MC-altered
	Embryonal tumour with multilayered rosettes, NOS
	Medulloepithelioma
	CNS neuroblastoma
	CNS ganglioneuroblastoma
	CNS embryonal tumour, NOS
	Atypical teratoid/rhabdoid tumour
	CNS embryonal tumour with rhabdoid features
	Tumours of the cranial and paraspinal nerves
	Cellular schwannoma
	Plexiform schwannoma

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Melanotic schwannoma	95601	Osteoclastoma	91210
Neurofibroma	95400	Osteosarcoma	91803
Atypical neurofibroma	95400	Melanocytic tumours	
Plexiform neurofibroma	95501	Meningeal melanocytosis	87281
Plexiform neurofibroma	95710	Meningeal melanocytoma	87203
Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumour	95403	Meningeal melanoma	87203
Epithelioid MPNST	95403	Meningeal melanomatosis	87263
MPNST with perineurial differentiation	95403		
Meningiomas		Lymphomas	
Meningioma, atypical	95300	Diffuse large B-cell lymphoma of the CNS	96803
Meningioma, fibrous	95300	Immunodeficiency-associated CNS lymphomas	
Meningioma, transitional	95300	NOS related diffuse large B-cell lymphoma	
Atypical meningioma	95300	EBV-positive diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, NOS	
Papillary meningioma	95300	Lymphomatoid granulomatosis	97651
Secretory meningioma	95300	Intravascular large B-cell lymphoma	97123
Microcystic meningioma	95300	Low-grade B-cell lymphomas of the CNS	
Choroid meningioma	95300	T-cell and NK/T-cell lymphomas of the CNS	
Clear cell meningioma	95300	Anaplastic large cell lymphoma, ALK-positive	97143
Atypical meningioma	95300	Anaplastic large cell lymphoma, ALK-negative	97023
Papillary meningioma	95300	MALT lymphoma of the dura	96993
Rhabdoid meningioma	95303	Histiocytic tumours	
Anaplastic rhabdoid meningioma	95303	Langerhans cell histiocytosis	97513
Atypical rhabdoid meningioma	95303	Erdheim-Chester disease	97501
Rosai-Dorfman disease	95303	Juvenile xanthogranuloma	
Histiocytic sarcoma	95303	Histiocytic sarcoma	97553
Mesenchymal, non-meningothelial tumours		Germ cell tumours	
Grade 1	88150	Embryonal carcinoma	90643
Grade 2	88151	Yolk sac tumour	90713
Grade 3	88153	Choriocarcinoma	91003
Haemangioblastoma	91611	Teratoma	90601
Epithelioid haemangioblastoma	91203	Mature teratoma	90600
Kaposi sarcoma	91333	Immature teratoma	90603
Ewing sarcoma / PNET	91403	Teratoma with malignant transformation	90643
Lipoma	88643	Mixed germ cell tumour	
Angiolipoma	88610		
Hibernoma	88600	Tumours of the sellar region	
Liposarcoma	88503	Craniopharyngioma	93501
Clear-cell liposarcoma	88503	Adamantinomatous craniopharyngioma	93511
Myofibroblastoma	88250	Papillary craniopharyngioma	93521
Inflammatory myofibroblastic tumour	88251	Granular cell tumour of the sellar region	96820
Benign fibrous histiocytoma	88303	Placytoma	94321
Fibrosarcoma	88103	Spiral cell oncocytoma	92600
Undifferentiated pleomorphic sarcoma / malignant fibrous histiocytoma	88023		
Leiomyoma	88000	Mesenchymal tumours	
Leiomyosarcoma	88003	The histology codes are from the International Classification of Diseases for Oncology (ICD-O) (2nd ed., behaviour is coded 0 for benign tumours, 1 for unspecified, borderline or uncertain behaviour, 2 for carcinoma in situ and grade III for malignant tumours.	
Rhabdomyoma	88003	The classification is modified from the previous WHO classification, taking into account changes in our understanding of these lesions.	
Rhabdomyosarcoma	88203	These new codes were approved by the ICD-O Committee for ICD-O (latest provisional tumour entities). *Grading according to the 2013 WHO Classification of Tumours of Soft Tissue, see below.	
Chondroid lipoma	92203		
Osteoma	91800		

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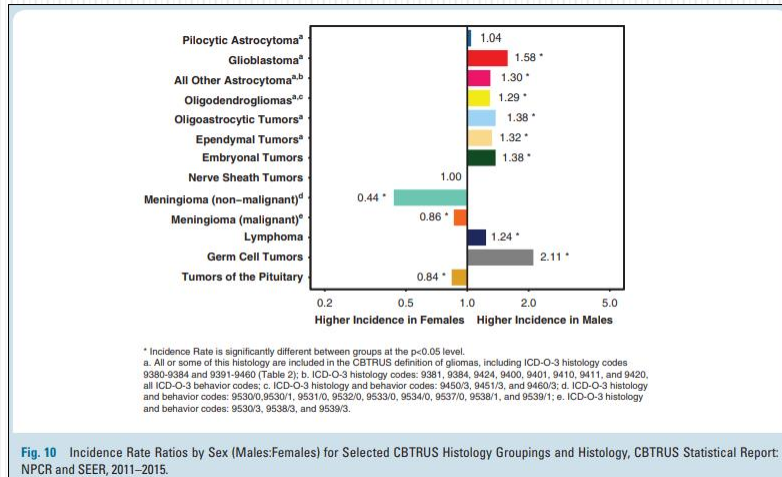
Table 3 Major points of revision

Diffuse astrocytic and oligodendroglial tumours	Embryonal tumours
Diffuse astrocytoma, IDH mutant	Medulloblastoma, genetically defined
Gemistocytic astrocytoma, IDH mutant	Medulloblastoma, WNT activated
Diffuse astrocytoma IDH wildtype	Medulloblastoma, SHH activated, TP53 mutated
Diffuse astrocytoma, NOS	Medulloblastoma, SHH activated, TP53 wildtype
	Medulloblastoma, non-WNT/non-SHH
Anaplastic astrocytoma, IDH mutant	Medulloblastoma, group 3
Anaplastic astrocytoma, IDH wildtype	Medulloblastoma, group 4
Anaplastic astrocytoma, NOS	
	Medulloblastoma, histologically defined
Glioblastoma, IDH wildtype	Medulloblastoma, classic
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Gliosarcoma	Medulloblastoma with extensive nodularity
Epithelioid glioblastoma	Medulloblastoma, large cell/anaplastic
Glioblastoma, IDH mutant	
Glioblastoma, NOS	Medulloblastoma, NOS
Diffuse midline glioma, H3-K27M mutant	Embryonal tumour with multilayered rosettes, C19MC altered
Oligodendroglioma, IDH mutant and 1p/19q codeleted	Embryonal tumour with multilayered rosettes, NOS
Oligodendroglioma, NOS	Medulloepithelioma
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma, IDH mutant and 1p/19q codeleted	CNS neuroblastoma
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma, NOS	CNS ganglioneuroblastoma
	CNS embryonal tumour, NOS
Oligoastrocytoma, NOS	Atypical teratoid/rhabdoid tumour
Anaplastic oligoastrocytoma, NOS	CNS embryonal tumour with rhabdoid features
Other astrocytic tumours	
Pilocytic astrocytoma	
Piloxyoid astrocytoma	
Subependymal giant cell astrocytoma	
Pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma	
Anaplastic pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma	

2018 NEW ICD-O-3 Histology Codes

2018 ICD-O-3 New Codes, Behaviors, and Terms-Updated 8/22/18				
Status	Histology Value	Behavior	label	Reportable
New term	8720	3	Meningeal melanoma (C70., C71.)	Y
New term	8815	0	Solitary fibrous tumor/hemangiopericytoma Grade 1 (CNS) (C71.)	Y
New term/behavior	8815	1	Solitary fibrous tumor/hemangiopericytoma Grade 2 (CNS) (C71.)	Y
New term	8815	3	Solitary fibrous tumor/hemangiopericytoma Grade 3 (CNS) (C71.)	Y
New term	9382	3	Anaplastic oligoastrocytoma (C71.)	Y
New term	9382	3	Oligoastrocytoma, NOS (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9385	3	Diffuse midline glioma, H3 K27M-mutant (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9395	3	Papillary tumor of pineal region (C75.3)	Y
New term & code	9396	3	Ependymoma, RELA fusion-positive (C71.)	Y
New term	9400	3	Diffuse astrocytoma, IDH-mutant (C71.)	Y
New term	9400	3	Diffuse astrocytoma, IDH-wildtype (C71.)	Y
New term	9401	3	Anaplastic astrocytoma, IDH-mutant (C71.)	Y
New term	9401	3	Anaplastic astrocytoma, IDH-wildtype (C71.)	Y
New term	9424	3	Anaplastic pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9425	3	Piloxyoid astrocytoma (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9431	1	Angiocentric glioma (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9432	1	Pituicytoma (C75.1)	Y
New term	9440	3	Epithelioid glioblastoma (C71.)	Y
New term	9440	3	Glioblastoma, IDH-wildtype (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9445	3	Glioblastoma, IDH-mutant (C71.)	Y
New term	9450	3	Oligodendroglioma, IDH-mutant and 1p/19q-codeleted (C71.)	Y
New term	9451	3	Anaplastic oligodendroglioma, IDH-mutant and 1p/19q codeleted (C71.)	Y
New term	9470	3	Medulloblastoma, classic (C71.)	Y
New term	9471	3	Medulloblastoma, SHH-activated and TP53-wildtype (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9475	3	Medulloblastoma, WNT-activated (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9476	3	Medulloblastoma, SHH-activated and TP53 mutant (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9477	3	Medulloblastoma, group 3 (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9477	3	Medulloblastoma, group 4 (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9477	3	Medulloblastoma, non-WNT/non-SHH (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9478	3	Embryonal tumor with multilayered rosettes C19MC-altered (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9478	3	Embryonal tumor with multilayered rosettes, NOS (C71.)	Y
New term	9508	3	CNS Embryonal tumor with rhabdoid features (C71.)	Y
New term	9508	3	Embryonal tumor with rhabdoid features (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9509	1	Diffuse leptomeningeal glioneuronal tumor (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9509	1	Papillary glioneuronal tumor (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9509	1	Rosette-forming glioneuronal tumor (C71.)	Y
New term & code	9542	3	Epithelioid malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor (C47.0-C47.6, C47.8, C47.9)	Y
New Term	9560	1	Melanotic schwannoma (C72.4, C72.5)	Y

Incidence Ratios by Sex



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Figure 13. Most Common Brain and CNS Tumors by Age

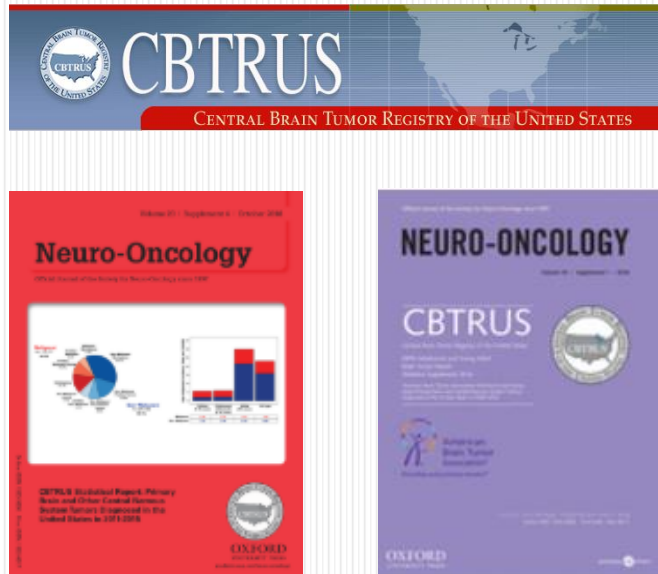
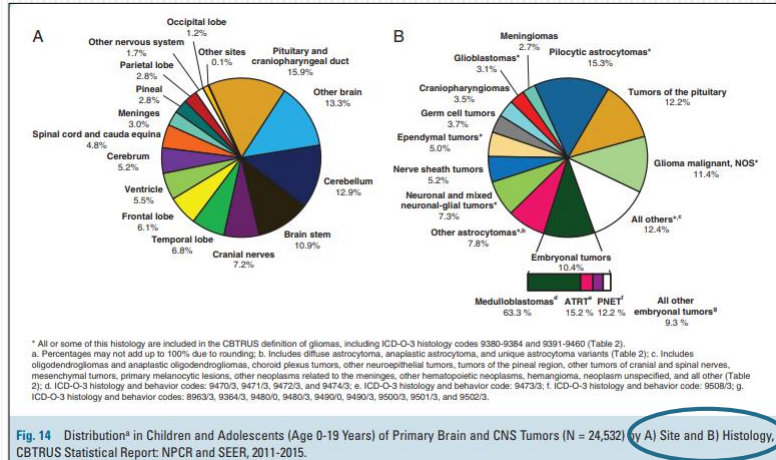
CBTRUS Statistical Report: NPCR and SEER Data from 2004-2007

Age (yr)	Most Common Histology	Second Most Common Histology
0-4	Embryonal/medulloblastoma	Pilocytic astrocytoma
5-9	Pilocytic astrocytoma	Malignant glioma, NOS
10-14	Pilocytic astrocytoma	Neuronal/glia
15-19	Pituitary	Pilocytic astrocytoma
20-34	Pituitary	Meningioma
35-44	Meningioma	Pituitary
45-54	Meningioma	Glioblastoma
55-64	Meningioma	Glioblastoma
65-74	Meningioma	Glioblastoma
75-84	Meningioma	Glioblastoma
85+	Meningioma	Neoplasm, unspecified

While brain/CNS tumors are not one of the top incidence tumors for adults, they are the most common solid tumor in children (0-19 years) (18%) second only to leukemias (26%).
 (ACS Cancer Facts and Figures 2014).

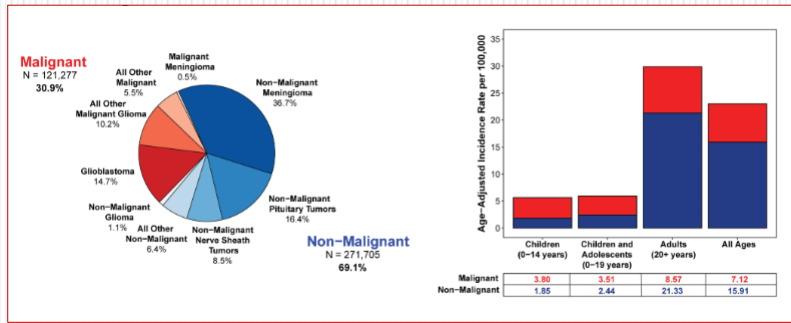
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Distribution in Children/Adolescents





Distribution Primary Brain & CNS Tumors 2011-2015



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Distribution Primary Brain & CNS Tumors by Site & Behavior 2011-2015

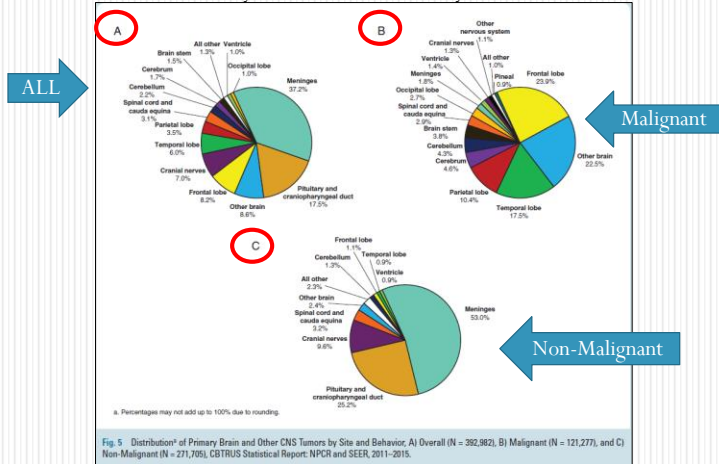


Fig. 5 Distribution of Primary Brain and Other CNS Tumors by Site and Behavior, A) Overall (N = 392,982), B) Malignant (N = 121,277), and C) Non-Malignant (N = 271,705), CBTRUS Statistical Report: NPCR and SEER, 2011-2015.

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Childhood Brain Tumors

Tentorium - extension of the dura mater separating the cerebellum from the occipital lobes

Note 6: The following subsites code to C710 are INFRAtentorial:

- Hypothalamus
- Pallidum
- Thalamus

Note 7: The following subsites coded to C718 are SUPRAtentorial

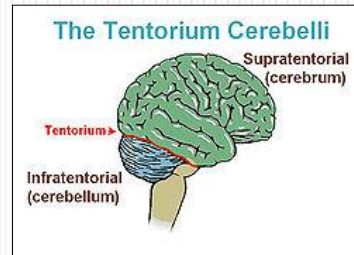
- Corpus callosum
- Tapetum

Note 8: The following sites coded to C719 are SUPRAtentorial

- Anterior cranial fossa
- Middle cranial fossa
- Suprasellar

Note 9: The following subsites coded to C719 are INFRAtentorial

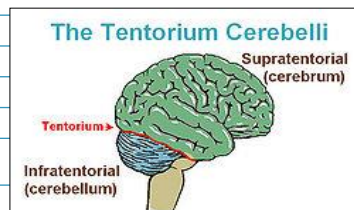
- Posterior cranial fossa



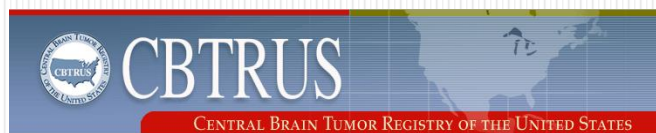
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Childhood Brain Tumors

Supratentorial - childhood	Infratentorial - childhood
• Craniopharyngiomas.	• Cerebellar astrocytomas (usually high-grade).
• Diencephalic and hypothalamic gliomas.	• Medulloblastomas (primitive neuroectodermal tumors).
• Germ cell tumors.	• Ependymomas (low-grade or anaplastic).
• Low-grade astrocytomas.	• Brain stem gliomas (high-grade or low-grade).
• Anaplastic astrocytomas.	• Atypical teratoid tumors
• Glioblastoma multiforme.	
• Mixed gliomas.	
• Oligodendrogliomas.	
• Primitive neuroectodermal tumors.	
• Low-grade or anaplastic ependymomas.	
• Meningiomas.	
• Choroid plexus tumors.	

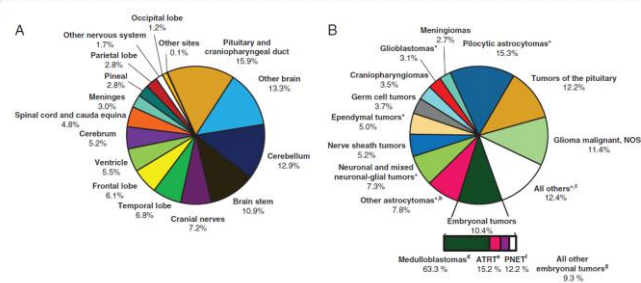


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Distribution Primary Brain & CNS Tumors 2011-2015

Children and Adolescents by Anatomic Site and Histologic Type



* All or some of this histology are included in the CBTRUS definition of gliomas, including ICD-O-3 histology codes 9080-9084 and 9291-9449 (Table 2).
 a. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. b. Includes diffuse astrocytomas, anaplastic astrocytomas, and atypical astrocytoma variants (Table 2); c. Includes oligodendrogliomas and anaplastic oligodendrogliomas, choroid plexus tumors, other neuroepithelial tumors, tumors of the pineal region, other tumors of cranial and spinal nerves, mesenchymal tumors, primary melanocytic lesions, other neoplasms related to the meninges, other hemangioepitheliomas, meningiomas, neoplasms unspecified, and all other (Table 2); d. ICD-O-3 histology and behavior codes: 9470/3, 9471/3, 9472/3, and 9474/3; e. ICD-O-3 histology and behavior code: 9473/3; f. ICD-O-3 histology and behavior code: 9508/3; g. ICD-O-3 histology and behavior codes: 8963/3, 9364/3, 9480/0, 9480/3, 9490/0, 9490/3, 9500/3, 9501/3, and 9502/3.

Fig. 14 Distribution^a in Children and Adolescents (Age 0-19 Years) of Primary Brain and CNS Tumors (N = 24,532) by A) Site and B) Histology, CBTRUS Statistical Report: NPCR and SEER, 2011-2015.

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WHO Grade for Brain/CNS Tumors

- WHO Tumor Grades – Grade I, II, III, and IV
- Higher the grade – the more malignant the tumor behavior
- A tumor can contain more than one grade of cell
- Always record the highest WHO Tumor Grade noted
- WHO Grade is no longer coded in SSDI or Grade – replaced by 4 new SSDIs having to do with biomolecular genetics not WHO Grade

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<http://www.abta.org/brain-tumor-information/diagnosis/grading-staging.html>

WHO Grade for Brain/CNS Tumors

LOW GRADE Neoplasms

- **Grade I:** least malignant tumors associated with long-term survival. They grow slowly and have an almost normal appearance when viewed through a microscope. Surgery alone may be an effective treatment for this grade tumor.
- **Grade II:** tumors are slow-growing and look slightly abnormal under a microscope. Some can spread into nearby normal tissue and recur, sometimes as a higher grade tumor.

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WHO Grade for Brain/CNS Tumors

- **Grade III:** These tumors are, by definition, malignant although there is not always a big difference between grade II and grade III tumors. The cells of a grade III tumor are actively reproducing abnormal cells, which grow into nearby normal brain tissue. These tumors tend to recur, often as a grade IV.
- **Grade IV:** The most malignant tumors. Tumors reproduce rapidly, can have a bizarre appearance when viewed under the microscope, and easily grow into nearby normal brain tissue. These tumors form new blood vessels so they can maintain their rapid growth. They also have areas of dead cells in their centers.

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WHO Grade for Brain/CNS Tumors

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) GRADING SYSTEM

Grade I Tumor

- Slow-growing cells
- Almost normal appearance under a microscope
- Least malignant
- Usually associated with long-term survival

Grade II Tumor

- Relatively slow-growing cells
- Slightly abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Can invade adjacent normal tissue
- Can recur as a higher grade tumor

Grade III Tumor

- Actively reproducing abnormal cells
- Abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Infiltrate adjacent normal brain tissue
- Tumor tends to recur, often as a higher grade

Grade IV Tumor

- Abnormal cells which reproduce rapidly
- Very abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Form new blood vessels to maintain rapid growth
- Areas of dead cells (necrosis) in center

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Table 1: WHO Grades of Select CNS Neoplasms

Note 1: See the SEER and CoC Manuals for instructions on coding grade for CNS tumors.

Note 2: The table **does not** contain all neoplasms that may occur in the CNS.

Table Instructions

1. Use **non-malignant** CNS rules for all WHO Grade I (always non-malignant)
2. Go to the **malignant** CNS rules for all WHO Grade 3 and 4
3. Go to **Instructions for Identifying and Assigning Behavior** to determine whether WHO Grade 2 neoplasms are non-malignant or malignant. Use the appropriate set of rules.

Column 1 contains the **histology** term

Column 2 contains the **WHO Grade** assigned based on the **histology and molecular features** of that histology

Histology	WHO Grade
Anaplastic (malignant) meningioma	3
Anaplastic astrocytoma, IDH mutant	3
Anaplastic ependymoma	3
Anaplastic ganglioglioma	3
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma IDH mutant and 1p/19q-codeleted	3
Anaplastic pleomorphic xanthroastrocytoma	3
Angiocentric glioma	1
Atypical choroid plexus papilloma	2
Atypical meningioma	2
Atypical teratoid/rhabdoid tumor	4
Central neurocytoma	2
Cerebellar liponeurocytoma	2

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2019 Solid Tumor Rules – Brain & CNS – WHO Grade Table

Histology	WHO Grade
Chordoid glioma of third ventricle	2
Choroid plexus carcinoma	3
Choroid plexus papilloma	1
CNS embryonal tumor NOS	4
CNS embryonal tumor with rhabdoid features	4
Craniopharyngioma	1
Desmoplastic infantile astrocytoma and ganglioglioma	1
Diffuse astrocytoma, IDH mutant	2
Diffuse midline glioma, H3K27M-mutant	4
Dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumor	1
Dysplastic gangliocytoma of cerebellum (D=Lhemitte-Duclos)	1
Ependymoma	2
Ependymoma, RELA fusion-positive	2 or 3
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology reports or CAP report will specify whether this is WHO Grade 2 or 3</i>	
Extraventricular neurocytoma	2
Gangliocytoma	1
Glioblastoma, IDH mutant	4
Glioblastoma, IDH wildtype	4
Granular cell tumor	1
Hemangioblastoma	1
Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor (MPNST)	2, 3, or 4
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology reports or CAP report will specify whether this is WHO Grade 2, 3, or 4</i>	
Medulloblastoma (including all subtypes)	4
Medulloepithelioma	4

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2017 Solid Tumor Rules – Brain & CNS – WHO Grade Table

Histology	WHO Grade
Meningioma	1
Myxopapillary ependymoma	1
Neurofibroma	1
Oligodendroglioma IDH mutant and 1p/19q-codeleted	2
Papillary glioneuronal tumor	1
Papillary tumor of the pineal region	2 or 3
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology report or CAP will specify whether it is WHO Grade 2 or 3</i>	
Perineuroma	1
Pilocytic astrocytoma	1
<i>Note: ICD-O-3 lists a behavior code of /1. US and Canada collect as /3.</i>	
Pineal parenchymal tumor of intermediate differentiation	2 or 3
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology or CAP synoptic report will specify WHO Grade 2 or 3</i>	
Pineoblastoma	4
Pineocytoma	1
Pituitaryoma	1
Pleomorphic xanthroastrocytoma	2
Rosette-forming glioneuronal tumor	1
Schwannoma	1
Solitary fibrous tumor/hemangiopericytoma	1, 2, or 3
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology will specify WHO Grade 1, 2, or 3</i>	
Spindle cell oncocytoma	1
Subependymal giant cell astrocytoma	1
Subependymoma	1

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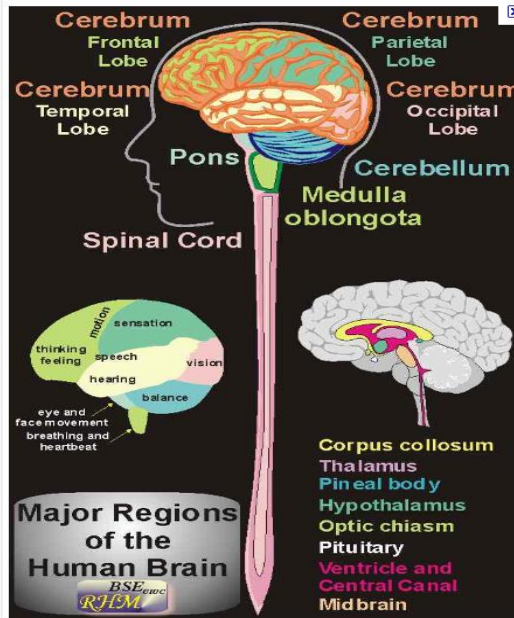
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ANATOMY OF THE HUMAN BRAIN



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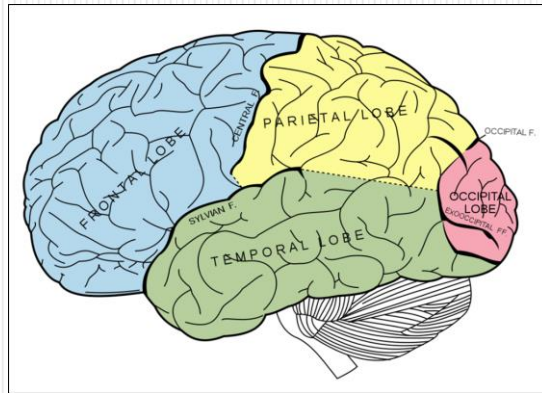
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Brain Lobes and Fissures



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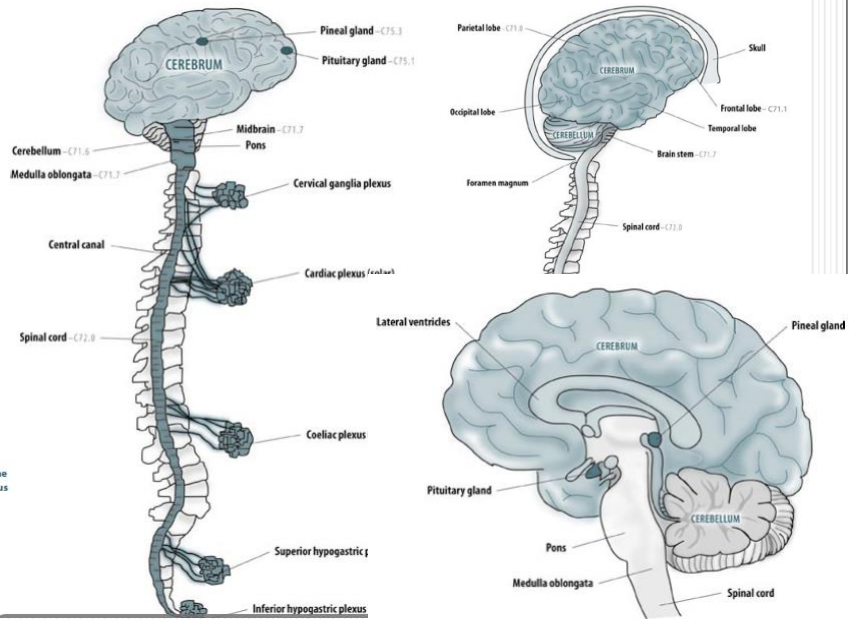
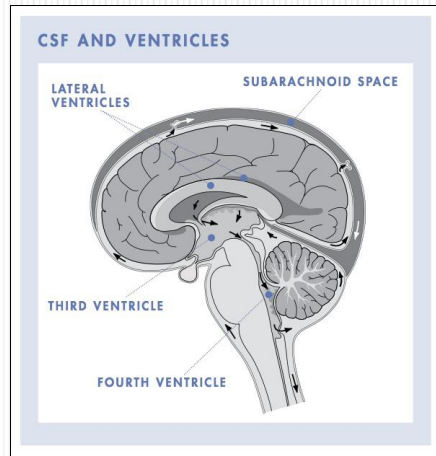


Figure 2. Anatomy of the central nervous system

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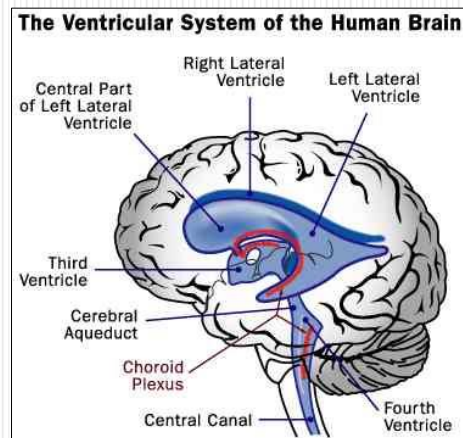
Ventricular System of the Brain



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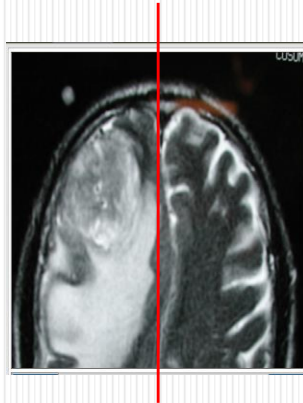


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Source: solarnavigator.net/human_brain

Midline Shift and Mass Effect

- The bony cranium protects the brain from outside impacts to the head. When swelling occurs in the brain, there isn't much "give".
- The swelling results in intracranial pressure and can cause a number of effects that begin to impact quality of life and comfort for the patient.
- The easiest way to describe midline shift is to bring to mind sitting in a movie theater. As soon as the person to one side of you puts his elbow onto the shared armrest between you, you tend to shift away.

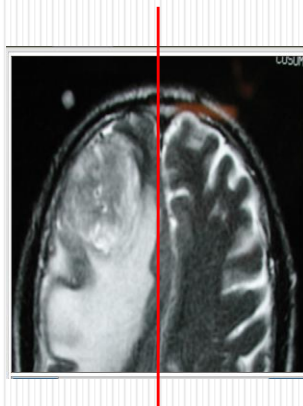


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Midline Shift and Mass Effect

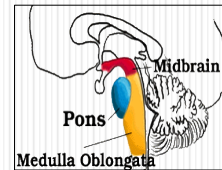
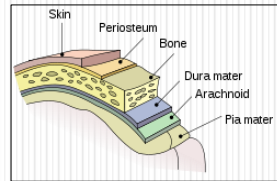
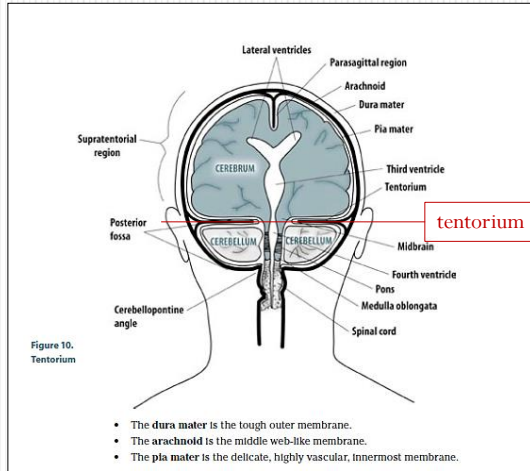
- Midline is a central boundary separating the left and right hemispheres.
- Midline Shift – Tumor crosses the brain to shift across the center line
- Mass Effect is – Edema or swelling causes the brain to shift across center line
- Both create new symptoms at cross-over
 - Depends on the size and location of the tumor and level of spread
 - Edema caused by many things
 - Either cause pushes midline out of alignment



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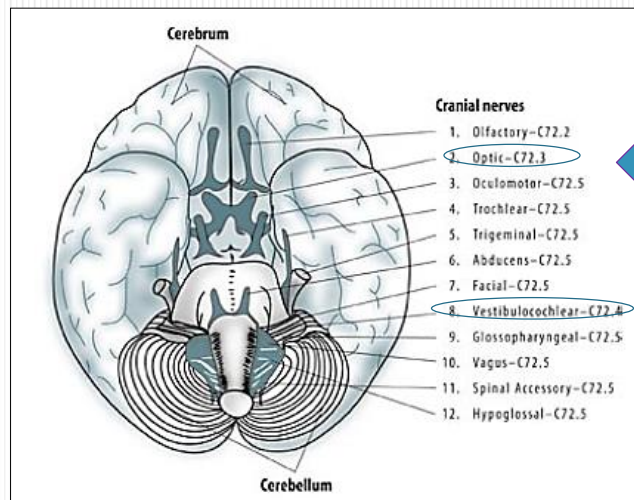
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Meninges and Brain Stem



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Cranial Nerves



← Optic

← Acoustic

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Cranial Nerve Functions

Cranial Nerve:	Major Functions:
I Olfactory	smell
II Optic	vision
III Oculomotor	eyelid and eyeball movement
IV Trochlear	turns eye downward and laterally, controls superior oblique muscles
V Trigeminal	chewing, face & mouth touch & pain
VI Abducens	turns eye laterally
VII Facial	facial expressions, taste, tears, saliva
VIII Vestibulocochlear	Also referred to as Auditory Nerve: hearing, equilibrium sensation
IX Glossopharyngeal	Taste, senses carotid blood pressure
X Vagus	aortic blood pressure, heart rate, stimulates digestive organs, taste
XI Spinal Accessory	controls trapezius & sternocleidomastoid muscles, controls swallowing
XII Hypoglossal	controls tongue movements

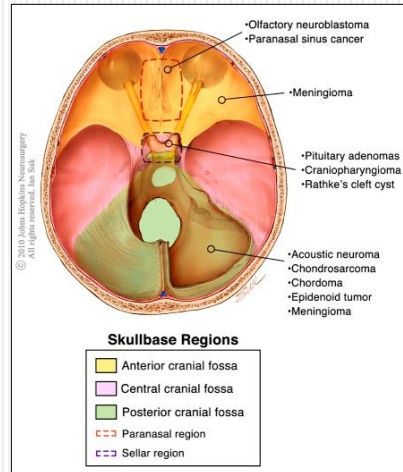
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Sinus, Olfactory, Base of Skull Tumors

- Cancer Registries treat many of these as Head & Neck Neoplasms
- Some are intra-cranial but many are not intra-cranial or CNS
- Primary Site of Tumor Critical for Stage, Treatment, and Prognosis
- Histology is used to identify which are abstracted as Brain/CNS
- Highly specialized surgical procedures – location of tumor
- Some Prognostic Factors Overlap

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Sinus, Olfactory, Base of Skull Tumors



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<http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/sebin/d/w/skull-base-ian-suk-sml.jpg>

Histologic Type - Glioma

- Most common category of primary brain tumors. They begin in glial cells (supporting cells of the CNS) – can be Grade I-IV not just III-IV.
- Often spread into surrounding brain tissue along nerve fibers invading the spaces between nearby normal brain cells. Some invade the surrounding brain more than others.
- Difficulty obtaining complete surgical removal. MRI scans show the largest part of the glioma, but cannot reliably show areas of the brain where tumor cells have invaded. Aggressive efforts to remove small numbers of tumor cells within the brain could cause loss of neurologic function.
- When it is not possible to remove the entire glioma, post-op radiation therapy and chemotherapy may be advised.
- Even with maximum safe resection followed by radiation and chemotherapy, gliomas can grow back.

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Glioma – 3 Main Histologic SubTypes

1. Astrocytoma: In adults most often arise in the cerebrum. In children they occur in the brain stem, cerebrum and cerebellum. Rarely in brain stem in adults. Felt to be most aggressive of brain tumors.
 - Grade I and II astrocytomas are low-grade astrocytomas.
 - Grade III astrocytoma is an “anaplastic astrocytoma”.
 - Grade IV astrocytoma is a “glioblastoma multiforme”.

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Glioma – 3 Main Histologic SubTypes

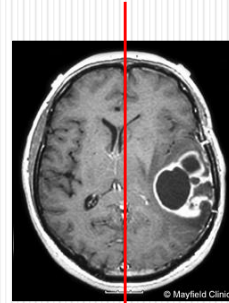
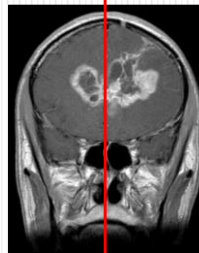
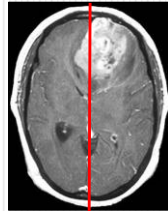
2. Oligodendroglioma: Rare tumor that usually occurs in the cerebrum, grows slowly and usually does not spread into surrounding brain tissue like astrocytoma does. Most common in middle-aged adults.
3. Ependymoma: Most commonly arise in children and young adults. They are also seen with neurofibromatosis Type II. (which we will discuss in a bit)

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Glioma – Other Subtypes

There are other subtypes of gliomas, each with their own specific characteristics and modes of growth.

- Brain Stem Glioma
- Juvenile Pilocytic Astrocytoma
- Pleomorphic Xanthoastrocytoma
- Subependymoma
- Ganglioglioma



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Glioma Tumor Markers

Table 5 Current Molecular Biomarkers in Glioma

Biomarker	Molecular Compartment	Purpose	Analytic Validity Demonstrated	Level of Evidence	NCCN Category of Evidence	References
Markers With Accepted Clinical Utility						
1p/19q codeletion (unbalanced translocation)	Tumor DNA	Diagnostic (oligodendroglioma)	FISH, aCGH, LOH, MPLA	IA	1	Smith et al. ⁴⁶
IDH mutation (IDH1) c. 395 G>A p.R132H (IDH2)	Tumor DNA, tumor protein	Positive is favorably prognostic; also a diagnostic marker	IHC, DNA sequencing	IIB		Houillier et al. ⁴⁹ Dubbink et al. ⁵¹
MGMT methylation	Tumor DNA	Prognostic, predictive (benefit for chemotherapy), pharmacodynamic (pseudorecurrence)	MS-PCR, MS-pyrosequencing, MS-MPLA	IIB		Hegi et al. ⁵¹ Gilbert et al. ²¹⁵
Markers With Emerging Evidence						
BRAF fusion (pilocytic astrocytoma)	Tumor DNA	Diagnostic (pilocytic astrocytoma)	LDI-PCR, 5' RACE, FISH	IIB		Jeuken and Wesseling, ²¹⁶ Jones et al. ⁵⁹
CIMP (CpG island methylator phenotype)	Tumor DNA	Positive is favorably prognostic	Gene expression microarray, pyrosequencing	IIB		Noushmehr et al. ⁶⁵ Gilbert et al. ²¹⁵

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Imaging/Labs/Path Reports

- In recent years, researchers have found some changes in genes, chromosomes, and proteins inside brain tumor cells that can be used to help predict a person's outlook (prognosis) or help guide treatment. Some examples of changes that can now be tested for include:
 - IDH1 or IDH2 gene mutations
 - Chromosomal 1p19q co-deletions
 - MGMT promoter methylation
- Imaging continues to improve for brain diagnosis including improvements in identifying tumor location, size, spread
 - MRI – multiple new MRI Methods (DTI, MRSI, etc.)

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2018 Site Specific Data Items

- **3801: Chromosome 1p: Loss of Heterozygosity (LOH)** -
Chromosome 1p: Loss of Heterozygosity (LOH) refers to the loss of genetic material normally found on the short arm of one of the patient's two copies of chromosome 1. Codeletion of Chromosome 1p and 19q is a diagnostic, prognostic and predictive marker for gliomas and is strongly associated with the oligodendroglioma phenotype.
- **3802: Chromosome 19q: Loss of Heterozygosity (LOH)** -
Chromosome 19q: Loss of Heterozygosity (LOH) refers to the loss of genetic material normally found on the long arm of one of the patient's two copies of chromosome 19. Codeletion of Chromosome 1p and 19q is a diagnostic, prognostic and predictive marker for gliomas and is strongly associated with the oligodendroglioma phenotype.

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2018 Site Specific Data Items

- **3816: Brain Molecular Markers – FCDS Required (the only FCDS Required)**
 - **IDH mutation** status distinguishes between clinically important subtypes within ICD-O-3 9400/3, Diffuse astrocytoma and 9401/3, Anaplastic astrocytoma.
 - **IDH mutant and 1p/19q co-deletion** distinguishes between clinically important subtypes within ICD-O-3 code 9450/3, Oligodendroglioma and 9451/3, Anaplastic Oligodendroglioma.
 - **IDH-wildtype** distinguishes clinically important subtypes within ICD-O-3 9400/3, Diffuse astrocytoma, 9401/3, Anaplastic astrocytoma and 9440/3, Glioblastoma, Epithelioid glioblastoma and Glioblastoma, NOS (note that the new ICD-O-3 code 9445/3 applies to glioblastoma, IDH-mutant; information regarding this subtype is not collected using this data item).
 - **SHH-activation** and TP53-wildtype distinguishes between clinically important subtypes within ICD-O-3 histology code 9471/3, Medulloblastoma.
 - **C19MC alteration status** distinguishes a clinically important highly aggressive subtype within ICD-O-3 9478/3, Embryonal tumor with multilayered rosettes.
- **3889: Methylation of O6-Methylguanine-Methyltransferase** - O6-Methylguanine-Methyltransferase (MGMT) is an enzyme in cells that repairs DNA. Methylation of the MGMT gene reduces production of the MGMT enzyme and the ability of tumor cells to repair damage caused by chemotherapy. Methylation of MGMT is a prognostic and predictive factor for high grade gliomas.

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Non-Glial Tumors

- **Medulloblastoma**: Usually arises in the cerebrum, is the most common brain tumor in children, and is sometimes called a “primitive neuroectodermal tumor” or PNET or extrasosseous Ewing sarcoma.
- PNET is not neuroendocrine – it is neuroectodermal.
- **Meningioma**: Arises from the meninges which are the outside coverings of the brain between the skull and the brain itself. It usually presses on the brain, but does not invade it and often grows slowly.

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Meningioma

- Meningiomas are typically diagnosed by CT or MRI imaging
- Biopsy may be considered for confirmation
- Options stratified by presence/absence of symptoms and tumor size
- Most asymptomatic patients with small tumors (<30mm) may just be observed. If neurological impairment is imminent, surgery (if accessible) or radiotherapy (EBRT OR SRS) is feasible
- Asymptomatic tumors >30mm can be either resected or observed

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Non-Glial Tumors

- Schwannoma: Arises from Schwann cells present in certain nerves, including those that control balance and hearing. May be called "neuroma".
- A common site is the vestibular or auditory nerve which carries signals from the inner ear to the brain stem.
- Tumors in this location are called "acoustic neuromas" (a.k.a. vestibular schwannoma), and occur most often in adults.

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Non-Glial Tumors

- Craniopharyngioma: Grows at the base of the brain, arises from the tissue connecting the brain and the pituitary gland and occurs in both adults and children.
- Pituitary Adenoma: Arises from the pituitary gland and may cause compression of the optic nerves causing vision problems. Some produce excessive amounts of hormones that can disrupt the body's metabolism.

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Roswell Park Cancer Institute

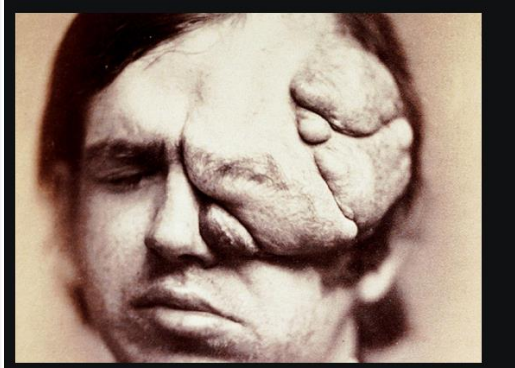
Neurofibromatosis

- The neurofibromatoses (NF) are a group of genetic disorders which cause tumors to grow along nerves and can also affect the development of non-nervous tissues such as bones and skin.
- Neurofibromatosis Type I (NF-I), also known as Peripheral NF and historically as von Recklinghausen Disease
 - Occurs in 1:4,000 births
 - Multiple cafe-au-lait spots (not reportable)
 - Many, many neurofibromas on or under the skin (not reportable)
 - Enlargement and deformation of bones and curvature of the spine
 - Tumors may develop in brain, on cranial nerves, or the spinal cord

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Neurofibromatosis Foundation

NF Type I: First documented photo 1871



Source Credit: Dr. Stanley B. Burns

http://www.cbsnews.com/2300-204_162-10007019-6.html#ixzz1clEzAchi

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Other Manifestions of NF Type I

Lisch nodules on the eye

- Melanocytic hemartomas



Neurofibromatosis
lisch-nodules.jpg

Café-au-lait spots on skin

- Discolored birth marks



Neurofibromatosis
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Medscape Source: Dermnet.com; Dermatologic Manifestations of NF Type I

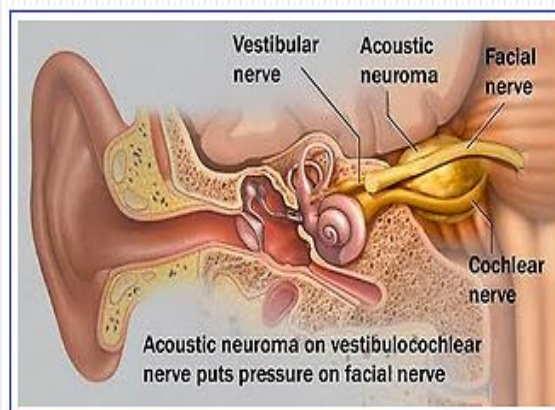
Neurofibromatosis Type II

- Neurofibromatosis Type II (NFII), also known as Multiple Inherited Schwannomas, Meningiomas and Ependymomas (MISME) or Bilateral Acoustic Neurofibromatosis (BAN).
- Is a genetically inherited disease caused by mutations of the "Merlin" gene, which appears to influence the form and movement of cells
- Primary manifestation is a development of non-malignant brain tumors in the region of the cranial nerves, frequently bilaterally. The eighth cranial nerve is the auditory-vestibular nerve which transmits sensory information from the inner ear to the brain and is commonly affected.

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Source: California Ear Institute

Acoustic Neuroma/Schwannoma



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Source: <http://thrivingwithneurofibromatosis.blogspot.com>

2019 Solid Tumor Rules: Non-Malignant Brain and CNS Tumors Malignant Brain and CNS Tumors



Different Rules for Benign and Malignant Brain and CNS Rules

Benign and Borderline Intracranial and CNS Tumors Multiple Primary Rules - Flowchart
(C700, C701, C708, C710-C719, C720-C725, C728, C729, C751-C753)

Note: Malignant intracranial and CNS tumors have a separate set of rules.

Prepare one abstract. Use the histology coding rules to assign the appropriate histology code(s) to the case abstract.

Prepare separate abstracts for the histology codes for each tumor.

UNKNOWN TUMORS
(C700, C701, C708, C710-C719, C720-C725, C728, C729, C751-C753)

Note: Malignant intracranial and CNS tumors have a separate set of rules.

SINGLE TUMOR

Rule	Action
H1 Is there no pathologic specimen on the pathology table?	Code the histology documented by the physician.
H2 Is only one histologic type identified?	Code the histology.

Malignant Meninges, Brain, Spinal Cord, Cranial Nerves, Pituitary Gland, Cranio-pharyngeal duct and Pineal Gland Multiple Primary Rules - Flowchart
(C700, C701, C708, C710-C719, C720-C725, C728, C729, C751-C753)

Note: Excludes lymphoma and leukemia M900-909 and Kaposi sarcoma M840.
Note: Benign and borderline intracranial and CNS tumors have a separate set of rules.

UNKNOWN TUMOR
(C700, C701, C708, C710-C719, C720-C725, C728, C729, C751-C753)

Note: Benign and borderline intracranial and CNS tumors have a separate set of rules.

SINGLE TUMOR

Rule	Action	Notes/Examples
H1 Is there no pathologic specimen on the pathology table?	Code the histology documented by the physician.	1. Review the ICD diagnosis to code the histology documented in the medical record that refers to the pathologic findings. 2. Code the histology to type of cancer (histology) in the medical record. 3. Code the specific histology when documented.
H2 Is only one specimen from a metastatic site (there is no pathology table)?	Code the histology from a metastatic site.	4. Code the histology to B006 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, metastatic) as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented.
H3 Are at least two of the following cells and/or differentiations present: • Astrocytoma • Oligodendroglioma • Ependymoma?	Code 9382/3 (not a glioma)	Code the behavior (3).

Benign and Borderline Intracranial and CNS Tumors Multiple Primary Rules - Flowchart
(C700, C701, C708, C710-C719, C720-C725, C728, C729, C751-C753)

Malignant Meninges, Brain, Spinal Cord, Cranial Nerves, Pituitary Gland, Cranio-pharyngeal duct and Pineal Gland Multiple Primary Rules - Flowchart
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Malignant Meninges, Brain, Spinal Cord, Cranial Nerves, Pituitary Gland, Cranio-pharyngeal duct and Pineal Gland Histology Coding Rules - Flowchart
(C700, C701, C708, C710-C719, C720-C725, C728, C729, C751-C753)

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H3 Are at least two of the following cells and/or differentiations present: • Astrocytoma • Oligodendroglioma • Ependymoma?	Code 9382/3 (not a glioma)	Code the behavior (3).

Benign and Borderline Tumor Rules

- When multiple tumors are present registrars should identify and document specific characteristics for MPH Rules Text
 - Date of Diagnosis (**Timing is not used** to determine number of abstracts or primary neoplasms to abstract)
 - Method and Details of Diagnosis (some are never resected)
 - Location of Tumor
 - Bilaterality is NOT used to determine multiple primaries
 - Acoustic neuroma/ vestibular schwannoma (9560/0)
 - Optic glioma/pilocytic astrocytoma (9421/1)
 - Laterality indicates multiple primaries for
 - Any lobe of the brain (C71.0-C71.9) and any other part of CNS
 - Cerebral meningioma (9530/0) and Spinal meningioma (9530/0)
 - Cranial Nerves and other Parts of CNS
 - Laterality is NOT used to determine multiple primaries when all are in the cranial meninges
 - Histologic Type – refer to Tables in Module
 - Tumor Behavior
 - Neurofibromatosis Characteristics (when applicable)

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Benign and Borderline Tumor Rules

Table 6: Specific Histologies, NOS, and Subtypes/Variants

Use this table to identify reportable histologies, including specific, NOS, and the subtype/variant of that NOS when referenced in the Multiple Primary and Histology coding rules.

This table includes the more common non-malignant histologies which occur in the CNS.

Column 1 contains specific and NOS histology terms.

- Specific histology terms do not have subtypes/variants
- NOS histology terms do have subtypes/variants.

Column 2 contains synonyms for the specific or NOS term. Synonyms have the same histology code as the specific or NOS term. Column 3 contains subtypes/variants of the NOS histology. Subtypes/variants do not have the same histology code as the NOS term.

NOS/Specific Histology Term and Code	Synonyms	Subtypes/Variants Histology Term and Codes
Angiocentric glioma 9431/1*	Angiocentric neuroepithelial tumor Monomorphous angiocentric glioma	
Benign fibrous histiocytoma 8830/0		
Central neurocytoma 9506/1	Cerebellar liponeurocytoma Extraventricular neurocytoma	
Chondroma 9220/0		
Chordoid glioma of the third ventricle 9444/1		
Choroid plexus papilloma 9390/0		Atypical choroid plexus papilloma 9390/1
Craniopharyngioma 9350/1		Adenomatous craniopharyngioma 9351/1 Papillary craniopharyngioma 9352/1

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NOS/Specific Histology Term and Code	Synonyms	Subtypes/Variants Histology Term and Codes
Desmoplastic infantile astrocytoma and ganglioglioma 9412/1		
Dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumor 9413/0	DNT	
Gangliocytoma 9492/0		Dysplastic cerebellar gangliocytoma/Lhermitte-Duclos disease 9493/0
Ganglioglioma 9505/1		
Granular cell tumor of the sellar region 9582/0		
Hemangioblastoma 9161/1	Capillary hemangioblastoma	
Hemangioma 9120/0		
Leiomyoma 8890/0		
Lipoma 8850/0		Hibernoma 8880/0
Meningeal melanocytosis 8728/0		Meningeal melanocytoma 8728/1
Meningioma 9530/0	Lymphoplasmacyte-rich meningioma Metaplastic meningioma Microcystic meningioma Secretory meningioma	Angiomatous meningioma 9534/0 Atypical meningioma 9539/1 Clear cell/chordoid meningioma 9538/1 Fibrous meningioma 9532/0 Meningothelial meningioma 9531/0 Psammomatous meningioma 9533/0 Transitional meningioma 9537/0
Myofibroblastoma 8825/0		Inflammatory myofibroblastic tumor 8825/1
Myxopapillary ependymoma 9394/1		
Neurofibroma 9540/0	Atypical neurofibroma	Plexiform neurofibroma 9550/0
Optic glioma/pilocytic astrocytoma 9421/1		
Osteoma 9180/0		

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Tumors with Potential to Transform

Table 8: Non-Malignant CNS Tumors with the Potential of Transforming to Malignant Behavior

The word “**transformation**” as used in this table means that:

- Residual tumor becomes more aggressive /3 OR
- The tumor recurs as a more aggressive /3 histology

The table identifies non-malignant tumors that have the **potential of transforming** to a malignant tumor (**new primary**).

Column 1 is the **non-malignant** ICD-O histology term and code.

Column 2 is the **malignant** /3 ICD-O histology term and code to which the non-malignant tumor can transform.

Original Histology and Code	Transformed Histology and Code
Chondroma 9220/0	Chondrosarcoma 9220/3
Ganglioglioma 9505/1	Anaplastic ganglioglioma 9505/3
Hemangioma 9120/0	Angiosarcoma 9120/3
Hemangiopericytoma 9150/1	Anaplastic hemangiopericytoma 9150/3
Leiomyoma 8890/0	Leiomyosarcoma 8890/3
Lipoma 8850/0	Liposarcoma 8850/3
Osteoma 9180/0	Osteosarcoma 9180/3
Perineurioma 9571/0	Malignant perineurioma 9571/3
Rhabdomyoma 8900/0	Rhabdomyosarcoma 8900/3
Teratoma 9080/1	Immature teratoma 9080/3
Teratoma, mature 9080/0	Immature teratoma 9080/3

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Malignant Tumor Rules

- 2016 CNSWHO presents major restructuring of the diffuse gliomas, medulloblastomas and other embryonal tumors,
- **And, incorporates new entities that are defined by both histology and molecular features,** including glioblastoma, IDH-wildtype and glioblastoma, IDH-mutant; diffuse midline glioma, H3 K27M-mutant, RELA fusion-positive ependymoma, medulloblastoma, WNT-activated and medulloblastoma, SHH-activated, and embryonal tumor with multilayered rosettes, C19MC-altered.
- GBM subsequent to an astrocytic or glial tumor is a multiple primary. GBM is now being collected as a new primary so it is possible to analyze the frequency with which these tumors recur in a more aggressive form (GBM).

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WHO Grade for Brain/CNS Tumors

- WHO Tumor Grades – Grade I, II, III, and IV
- Higher the grade – the more malignant the tumor behavior
- A tumor can contain more than one grade of cell
- Always record the highest WHO Tumor Grade noted
- WHO Grade is no longer coded in SSDI or Grade – replaced by 4 new SSDIs having to do with biomolecular genetics not WHO Grade

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<http://www.abta.org/brain-tumor-information/diagnosis/grading-staging.html>

WHO Grade for Brain/CNS Tumors

LOW GRADE Neoplasms

- **Grade I:** least malignant tumors associated with long-term survival. They grow slowly and have an almost normal appearance when viewed through a microscope. Surgery alone may be an effective treatment for this grade tumor.
- **Grade II:** tumors are slow-growing and look slightly abnormal under a microscope. Some can spread into nearby normal tissue and recur, sometimes as a higher grade tumor.

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WHO Grade for Brain/CNS Tumors

- **Grade III:** These tumors are, by definition, malignant although there is not always a big difference between grade II and grade III tumors. The cells of a grade III tumor are actively reproducing abnormal cells, which grow into nearby normal brain tissue. These tumors tend to recur, often as a grade IV.
- **Grade IV:** The most malignant tumors. Tumors reproduce rapidly, can have a bizarre appearance when viewed under the microscope, and easily grow into nearby normal brain tissue. These tumors form new blood vessels so they can maintain their rapid growth. They also have areas of dead cells in their centers.

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WHO Grade for Brain/CNS Tumors

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) GRADING SYSTEM

Grade I Tumor

- Slow-growing cells
- Almost normal appearance under a microscope
- Least malignant
- Usually associated with long-term survival

Grade II Tumor

- Relatively slow-growing cells
- Slightly abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Can invade adjacent normal tissue
- Can recur as a higher grade tumor

Grade III Tumor

- Actively reproducing abnormal cells
- Abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Infiltrate adjacent normal brain tissue
- Tumor tends to recur, often as a higher grade

Grade IV Tumor

- Abnormal cells which reproduce rapidly
- Very abnormal appearance under a microscope
- Form new blood vessels to maintain rapid growth
- Areas of dead cells (necrosis) in center

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Table 1: WHO Grades of Select CNS Neoplasms

Note 1: See the SEER and CoC Manuals for instructions on coding grade for CNS tumors.

Note 2: The table **does not** contain all neoplasms that may occur in the CNS.

Table Instructions

1. Use **non-malignant** CNS rules for all WHO Grade I (always non-malignant)
2. Go to the **malignant** CNS rules for all WHO Grade 3 and 4
3. Go to **Instructions for Identifying and Assigning Behavior** to determine whether WHO Grade 2 neoplasms are non-malignant or malignant. Use the appropriate set of rules.

Column 1 contains the **histology** term

Column 2 contains the **WHO Grade** assigned based on the **histology** and **molecular features** of that histology

Histology	WHO Grade
Anaplastic (malignant) meningioma	3
Anaplastic astrocytoma, IDH mutant	3
Anaplastic ependymoma	3
Anaplastic ganglioglioma	3
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma IDH mutant and 1p/19q-codeleted	3
Anaplastic pleomorphic xanthroastrocytoma	3
Angiocentric glioma	1
Atypical choroid plexus papilloma	2
Atypical meningioma	2
Atypical teratoid/rhabdoid tumor	4
Central neurocytoma	2
Cerebellar liponeurocytoma	2

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2019 Solid Tumor Rules – Brain & CNS – WHO Grade Table

Histology	WHO Grade
Chordoid glioma of third ventricle	2
Choroid plexus carcinoma	3
Choroid plexus papilloma	1
CNS embryonal tumor NOS	4
CNS embryonal tumor with rhabdoid features	4
Craniopharyngioma	1
Desmoplastic infantile astrocytoma and ganglioglioma	1
Diffuse astrocytoma, IDH mutant	2
Diffuse midline glioma, H3K27M-mutant	4
Dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumor	1
Dysplastic gangliocytoma of cerebellum (D=Lhemitte-Duclos)	1
Ependymoma	2
Ependymoma, RELA fusion-positive	2 or 3
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology reports or CAP report will specify whether this is WHO Grade 2 or 3</i>	
Extraventricular neurocytoma	2
Gangliocytoma	1
Glioblastoma, IDH mutant	4
Glioblastoma, IDH wildtype	4
Granular cell tumor	1
Hemangioblastoma	1
Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor (MPNST)	2, 3, or 4
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology reports or CAP report will specify whether this is WHO Grade 2, 3, or 4</i>	
Medulloblastoma (including all subtypes)	4
Medulloepithelioma	4

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2017 Solid Tumor Rules – Brain & CNS – WHO Grade Table

Histology	WHO Grade
Meningioma	1
Myxopapillary ependymoma	1
Neurofibroma	1
Oligodendroglioma IDH mutant and 1p/19q-codeleted	2
Papillary glioneuronal tumor	1
Papillary tumor of the pineal region	2 or 3
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology report or CAP will specify whether it is WHO Grade 2 or 3</i>	
Perineuroma	1
Pilocytic astrocytoma	1
<i>Note: ICD-O-3 lists a behavior code of /1. US and Canada collect as /3.</i>	
Pineal parenchymal tumor of intermediate differentiation	2 or 3
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology or CAP synoptic report will specify WHO Grade 2 or 3</i>	
Pineoblastoma	4
Pineocytoma	1
Pituitaryoma	1
Pleomorphic xanthroastrocytoma	2
Rosette-forming glioneuronal tumor	1
Schwannoma	1
Solitary fibrous tumor/hemangiopericytoma	1, 2, or 3
<i>Note: Tissue/pathology will specify WHO Grade 1, 2, or 3</i>	
Spindle cell oncocytoma	1
Subependymal giant cell astrocytoma	1
Subependymoma	1

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2017 Solid Tumor Rules – Brain & CNS – WHO Grade Table

Malignant Tumor Rules

Specific and NOS Histology Codes	Synonyms	Subtypes/Variants
Anaplastic ganglioglioma 9505		
Astroblastoma 9430		
Astrocytoma NOS 9400	Diffuse astrocytoma IDH-mutant Diffuse astrocytoma IDH-wildtype Diffuse astrocytoma NOS	Anaplastic astrocytoma IDH-mutant/wildtype, anaplastic astrocytoma NOS 9401 Gemistocytic astrocytoma IDH-mutant 9411 Pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma /anaplastic pleomorphic xanthoastrocytoma 9424
Choriocarcinoma 9100		
Choroid plexus carcinoma 9390		
CNS embryonal tumor with rhabdoid features 9508	Atypical teratoid/rhabdoid tumor Embryonal tumor with rhabdoid features	
CNS ganglioneuroblastoma 9490		CNS embryonal tumor 9473
CNS neuroblastoma 9500		
Diffuse midline glioma H3 K27M mutant 9385*		
Embryonal carcinoma 9070		Yolk sac tumor 9071
Embryonal tumor with multilayered rosettes C19MC-altered 9478*	Embryonal tumor with multilayered rosettes, NOS ETMR	
Ependymoma 9391	Clear cell ependymoma Tanycytic ependymoma	Anaplastic ependymoma 9392 Ependymoma, RELA fusion-positive 9396* Papillary ependymoma 9393
Epithelioid hemangioendothelioma 9133		
Germminoma 9064		

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Malignant Tumor Rules

Specific and NOS Histology Codes	Synonyms	Subtypes/Variants
Oligodendroglioma NOS 9450 <i>Note:</i> Oligodendroglioma NOS is used when molecular markers cannot fully be determined	Oligodendroglioma 1p/19q-codeleted Oligodendroglioma IDH-mutant Oligodendroglioma IDH-mutant and 1p/19q-codeleted	Anaplastic oligodendroglioma NOS 9451 IDH-mutant 1p/19q-codeleted IDH-mutant and 1p/19q-codeleted
Peripheral primitive neuroectodermal tumor 9364	Ewing sarcoma PpNET	
Pilocytic astrocytoma 9421 <i>Note:</i> ICD-O-3 lists a behavior code of /1. It is collected as /3 in North America.		Piloxyoid astrocytoma 9425
Pineal parenchymal tumor of intermediate differentiation 9362	Pineoblastoma	Papillary tumor of the pineal region 9395
Sarcoma NOS 8800 <i>Note 1:</i> Chondrosarcoma 9220 has the following subtype/variant: Mesenchymal chondrosarcoma 9240 <i>Note 2:</i> Leiomyosarcoma 8890 has the following subtypes/variants: Epithelioid leiomyosarcoma 8891 Myxoid leiomyosarcoma 8896		Angiosarcoma 9120 Chondrosarcoma 9220 Mesenchymal chondrosarcoma 9240 Leiomyosarcoma/granular cell leiomyosarcoma/inflammatory leiomyosarcoma 8890 Epithelioid leiomyosarcoma 8891 Myxoid leiomyosarcoma 8896 Osteosarcoma 9180 Undifferentiated pleomorphic sarcoma/malignant fibrous histiocytoma 8802
Solitary fibrous tumor grade 3 8815	Hemangiopericytoma grade 3 Solitary fibrous tumor/Hemangiopericytoma grade 3 (CNS)	

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Malignant Tumor Rules

- When multiple tumors are present registrars should identify and document specific characteristics for MPH Rules Text
 - Non-malignant intracranial and CNS tumors have separate sets of rules
 - Laterality is not used to determine multiple primaries for CNS tumors
 - Date of Diagnosis (**Timing is not used** to determine number of abstracts or primary neoplasms to abstract)
 - Method and Details of Diagnosis (most attempt resection)
 - Location of Tumor (not spread or invasion – but bulk of tumor)
 - Histologic Type /Subtype or Combination – Table 3
 - GBM subsequent to an astrocytic or glial tumor is a multiple primary. GBM is now being collected as a new primary so it is possible to analyze the frequency with which these tumors recur in a more aggressive form (GBM). M

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Malignant Tumor Rules

Rule H4 Code the subtype/variant when there is a NOS and a **single** subtype/variant of that NOS such as the following:

Note: All tumors are malignant/invasive /3.

- Astrocytoma 9400 and a subtype/variant of astrocytoma
- CNS ganglioneuroblastoma 9490 and a subtype/variant of CNS ganglioneuroblastoma
- Embryonal carcinoma 9070 and a subtype/variant of embryonal carcinoma
- Ependymoma 9391 and a subtype/variant of ependymoma
- Glioblastoma 9440 and a subtype/variant of glioblastoma
- Immature teratoma 9080 and a subtype/variant of immature teratoma
- Malignant meningioma 9530 and a subtype/variant of malignant meningioma
- Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor 9540 and a subtype/variant of malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor
- Medulloblastoma 9470 and a subtype/variant of medulloblastoma
- Meningeal melanoma 8720 and a subtype/variant of meningeal melanoma
- Oligodendroglioma 9450 and a subtype/variant of oligodendroglioma
- Pilocytic astrocytoma 9421 and a subtype/variant of pilocytic astrocytoma
- Pineal parenchymal tumor of intermediate differentiation 9362 and a subtype/variant of pineal parenchymal tumor of intermediate differentiation
- Sarcoma 8800 and a subtype/variant of sarcoma

Note: See Table 3 in the Equivalent Terms and Definitions to find NOS and subtypes/variants.

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Malignant Tumor Rules

Rule H7 Code the subtype/variant when all tumors are a NOS and a single subtype/variant of that NOS such as the following:

Note: All tumors are malignant/invasive.

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- CNS ganglioneuroblastoma 9490 and a subtype/variant of CNS ganglioneuroblastoma
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Staging Brain and CNS Neoplasms



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AJCC TNM, 8th edition

“Attempts to develop a TNM-based classification and staging system for central nervous system tumors have been neither practical nor pertinent. Early editions of this manual proposed a system that was used with poor compliance and was not useful as a predictor of outcome, neither in practice nor in clinical trials for patients with primary CNS Tumors.”

“The CNS expert panel continues to recommend that a formal TNM-based classification not be attempted. We continue to incorporate the WHO CNS tumor nomenclature and classification, which were revised in 2016, and the ICD topography system for location of the lesions.”

AJCC Stage = 88 (Not Applicable)

Includes: ANY Benign
or ANY Malignant Neoplasm

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AJCC TNM, 8th edition

Factors Felt to be of Prognostic and/or Clinical Significant Include:

- Tumor Histology
- Location of Tumor
- Unifocal or Multifocal
- WHO Grade of Tumor
- Patient Age at Diagnosis
- Functional Neurologic Status (Karnofsky Score, QOL)
- Primary or Recurrent Tumor
- Extent of Resection
- Molecular Aspects
 - IDH Mutation for gliomas
 - 1p, 19q deletions for gliomas
 - MGMT methylation status for gliomas

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SEER Summary Stage 2018

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BRAIN

7000-8700, 8720-8790, 8802, 8810, 8815, 8850, 8890, 8900, 9064, 9070-9071, 9080, 9084, 9085, 9100-9105, 9120, 9130, 9140, 9180, 9220, 9362, 9364, 9367, 9385-9401, 9411, 9423, 9430, 9440-9442, 9445, 9450-9451, 9470-9471, 9473-9478, 9490, 9500-9501, 9505, 9508, 9530, 9538, 9540, 9680, 9699, 9700-9714, 9751-9759

C700, C710-C719
 C700 Cerebral meninges
 C710 Cerebrum
 C711 Frontal lobe
 C712 Temporal lobe
 C713 Parietal lobe
 C714 Occipital lobe
 C715 Vestibule, NOS
 C716 Cerebellum, NOS
 C717 Brain stem
 C718 Overlapping lesion of brain
 C719 Brain, NOS

1 Localized only (localized, NOS)

- Confined to brain, NOS
- Confined to ventricles
 - Tumor invades or encroaches upon ventricular system
- Infratentorial tumor confined to
 - Brain stem or meninges of brain stem (one side)
 - Medulla oblongata
 - Midbrain (mesencephalon)
 - Pons
 - Cerebellum or meninges of cerebellum (one side or
 - Lateral lobes
 - Median lobe of cerebellum
 - Vermis
 - Hypothalamus
 - Thalamus
- Infratentorial tumor
 - Both cerebellum and brain stem involved with tumor
- Supratentorial tumor confined to
 - Cerebral hemisphere (cerebrum) or meninges of cerebral hemisphere
 - Frontal lobe
 - Occipital lobe
 - Parietal lobe
 - Temporal lobe

8 Benign or borderline brain

9 Unknown if extension or metastasis

CNS OTHER

C701, C709, C720-C725, C728-C729, 8800-8700, 8720-8790, 9064, 9070, 9084-9085, 9100, 9104, 9362, 9382, 9385-9389, 9393-9401, 9411, 9424-9430, 9440-9442, 9445, 9450-9451, 9470-9471, 9474-9478, 9490, 9501, 9502, 9508, 9538, 9680, 9699, 9700-9714, 9751-9759

C701, C709, C720-C721, C728-C729, 8802, 8810, 8815, 8850, 8890, 8900, 9071, 9101-9104, 9120, 9133, 9180, 9220, 9364, 9394, 9473, 9500, 9530, 9540

C722, C724-C725, 8900, 9071, 9120, 9220, 9394, 9473, 9500, 9530

C723- 9180

C701, C709, C720-C725, C728, C729
 C701 Spinal meninges
 C709 Meninges, NOS
 C720 Spinal cord
 C721 Cauda equina
 C722 Olfactory nerve
 C723 Optic nerve
 C724 Vestibule nerve
 C725 Cranial nerve, NOS
 C728 Overlapping lesion of brain and central nervous system
 C729 Nervous system, NOS

SUMMARY STAGE

1 Localized only (localized, NOS)

- Confined to tissue or site of origin

2 Regional, NOS

- Adjacent connective/soft tissue
- Adjacent muscle
- Brain for cranial nerve tumor(s)
- Major blood vessel(s)
- Meningeal tumor infiltrates nerve
- Nerve tumor infiltrates meninges (dura)
- Sphenoid and frontal sinuses (skull)

7 Distant site(s)/lymph node(s) involved

- Distant site(s) (including further contiguous extension)
 - Bone other than skull
 - Brain except for cranial nerve tumor(s)
 - Eye
- Distant lymph node(s), NOS
- Distant metastasis, NOS
 - Carcinomatous
 - Distant metastasis WITH or WITHOUT distant lymph node(s)
- Distant metastasis WITH or WITHOUT distant lymph node(s)
 - Metastasis within CNS and CSF pathways
 - "Drop" metastasis
 - Extra-neural metastasis
 - Metastasis outside the CNS

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Steps to Assign SS2018

Three summary stage groups can be ruled out quickly:
in situ, distant, and localized

FIRST

In situ

1. **Rule out in situ stage disease.** Carcinomas and melanomas are the only types of cancer that can be classified as in situ. Only carcinomas have a basement membrane. Sarcomas are never described as in situ. A pathologist must examine the primary organ and state that the tumor is in situ. If the cancer is anything except a carcinoma or melanoma, it cannot be in situ.
2. If there is any evidence of invasion (or extension to), nodal involvement or metastatic spread, the case is not in situ even if the pathology report so states. This is a common error in staging cervical cancer where the path report states that the cancer is "in situ with microinvasion" such a case would be staged as localized.

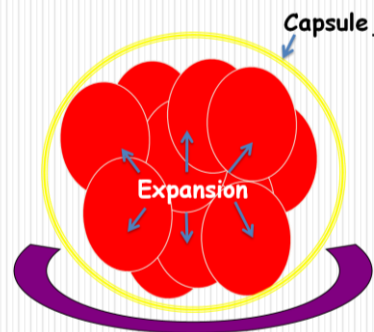
In Situ Stage is Not Applicable for Brain/CNS Tumors

In Situ Stage is Not the Same as Benign or Borderline Behavior

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SS2018 for Benign/Borderline Tumors

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SECOND

Distant

3. **Rule out distant disease** If metastases can be documented, there is no need to spend a great deal of time identifying local or regional spread. If distant metastases are recorded on x-ray or needle biopsy, the stage is already determined and the patient does not need to undergo a lot of other tests.
4. Hematopoietic diseases, such as leukemia and multiple myeloma, are considered disseminated or distant at time of diagnosis.
5. Rule out distant spread by reading the operative report for comments about seeding, implants, liver nodules, or other indications of metastases. Read diagnostic reports for references to distant disease.
6. If nodes, organs, or adjacent tissues are not specifically mentioned in the description of the various categories, attempt to cross-reference the term you have with those outlined. If there is no match, assume the site in question represents distant disease.

Brain and CNS these are usually CSF Involvement – cells in fluid
On rare occasion you may see “drop metastasis” – code as Distant Stage

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THIRD

Localized

7. **Rule out that the cancer is “confined to the organ of origin.”** In order for a lesion to be classified as localized, it must not extend beyond the outer limits of the organ and there must be no evidence of metastases anywhere else.
8. Terms such as “blood vessel invasion” or “perineural lymphatic invasion” do not necessarily indicate that the cancer has spread beyond the primary organ. If tumor at the primary site has invaded lymph or blood vessels, there is the potential for malignant cells to be transported throughout the body. Step 1 (invasion), has occurred, but not necessarily steps 2 (transport of cancer cells) and 3 (growth at the secondary site). The case may still be localized.
9. Vascular invasion within the primary is not a determining factor in changing the stage unless there is definite evidence of tumor at distant sites.

Most common Summary Stage – unless tumor crosses midline

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Three summary stage groups can be ruled out quickly:
in situ, distant, and localized
FINAL (if needed)

Regional

10. If in situ, local and distant categories have been ruled out, the stage is regional.
11. For carcinomas, if there are lymph nodes involved with the tumor, the stage is at least regional.
12. For tissues, structures, and lymph nodes, assume ipsilateral unless stated to be contralateral or bilateral.

Unknown if Extension or Metastasis

13. If there is not enough information in the record to categorize a case, it must be recorded as unstageable.

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Surgery & New Targeted Therapies

- Benign Tumors may be treated with surgery when large.
- Benign Tumors more often are treated by gamma knife or other stereotactic radiosurgery techniques
- Surgery is the treatment of choice for malignant tumors – particularly if good margins can be achieved. If any tumor remains, the patient is at high risk for progression which may be called recurrence.
- Radiation Therapy to treat remaining tumor using IMRT, 3D-CRT or Proton Beam – stereotactic radiosurgical techniques for benign
- Chemotherapy to treat microscopic remaining tumor
- Everolimus (Afinitor) for subependymal giant cell astrocytoma or SEGA that cannot be completely resected

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Additional Resources

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