

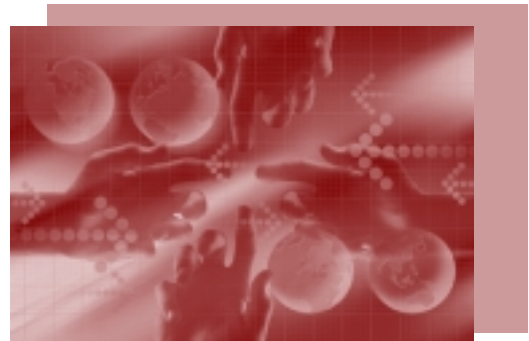


FCDS CONVERTING TO NAACCR VERSION 10 IN JULY 2003

NEW ITEMS AND EDITS REQUIRED

FCDS is preparing to convert the state registry database to NAACCR version 10. The conversion is scheduled for the first week of July 2003. As during our last conversion in July 2001, you won't be able to submit data during this period of time. After the conversion has completed, new data submitted via FCDS File Upload must be in NAACCR version 10 layout. Abstractors using the FCDS IDEA Single Entry program will have new version 10 items and edits already in place. You can pre-abstract 2003 records on paper pending the completion of the Single Entry module, but 2003 data must include the new version 10 items. We recommend that you submit your remaining 2002 data before Tuesday July 1, 2003 as all data submitted after July 1, 2003 must follow the NAACCR version 10 requirements.

Future FCDS Monthly Memos will describe what items and edits will be added.



HEALTH LEVEL 7 (HL7)

Source: <http://www.cdc.gov/nedss/About/glossary.htm>

Florida Cancer Data System has completed the first phase of Electronic Lab-based Reporting (ELR).

ELR is the transmission of data of public health importance from clinical laboratories to public health agencies in electronic format. Data is transmitted by ELR automated and uses standardized codes for tests and results allowing for timely and complete reporting to the Florida Cancer Data System. Over 500,000 lab reports were uploaded to FCDS via the internet.

FCDS receives data using the following electronic options: tab delimited and pipe delimited.

FCDS plans to phase in HL7 reporting by December 2003, adding HL7 to tab and pipe delimited formats.

What is HL7?

Health Level 7 (HL7) - www.hl7.org

A standards development organization formed in

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1987 to produce a standard for hospital information systems. HL7 received ANSI accreditation as an Accredited Standards Development Organization in 1994. The HL7 standard is an American National Standard for electronic data exchange in health care that enables disparate computer applications to exchange key sets of clinical and administrative information. HL7 is primarily concerned with movement within institutions of orders; clinical observations and data, including test results, admission, transfer and discharge records, and charge and billing information (coordinating here with X12). HL7 is the selected standard for the interfacing of clinical

data for most health care institutions.

What is ANSI?

American National Standards Institute (ANSI) - www.ansi.org

A voluntary standards organization that serves as the coordinator for national standards in the United States and the U.S. member body to the International Organization for Standards. ANSI accredits standards committees and provides an open forum for interested parties to identify, plan and agree on standards; it does not itself develop standards. Standards are developed by Standards Development Organizations (SDOs).

HL7 Reference Information Model - www.hl7.org

A conceptual model that defines all

the information from which the data content of HL7 messages is drawn Duke University maintains a World Wide Web server at <http://www.hl7.org>. This Web Server contains pointers to many other Web resources applicable to HL7 and healthcare information systems standards.

HL7 Version 2.4 APPROVED AS AN ANSI STANDARD OCTOBER 6, 2000.

HL7 v.24 introduces Conformance Query profiles in chapters 5, and adds messages for laboratory automation, application management and personnel management.



April 28 - May 2, 2003

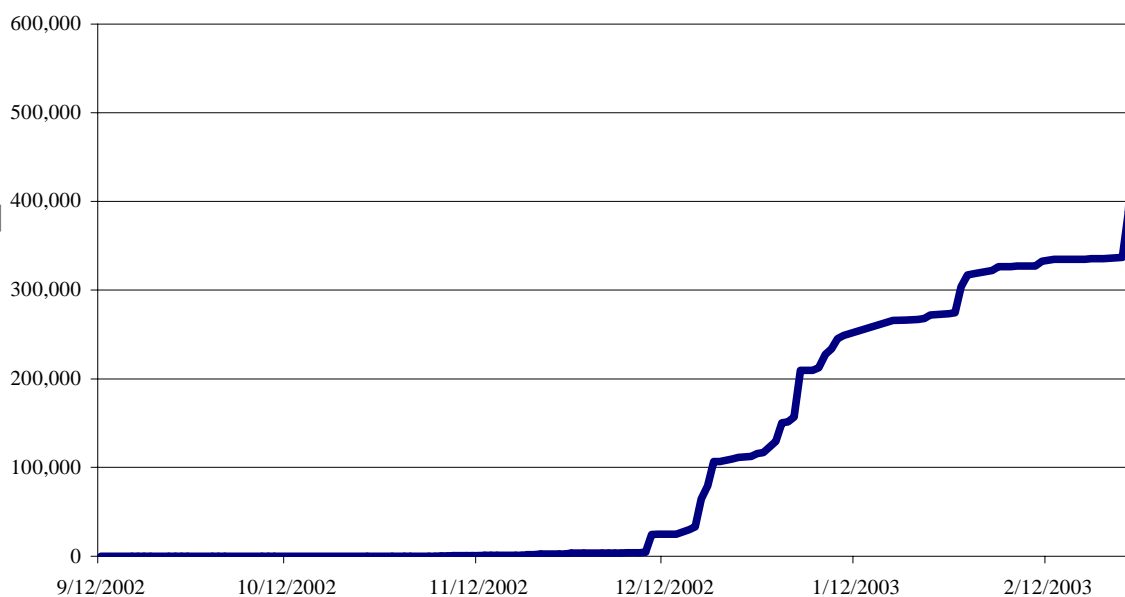
Working Group Meeting Location:
Renaissance Cleveland Hotel,
Cleveland, OH

Contact: meetinginfo@hl7.org
Phone number: 800-Hotels-1

Early Bird Registration & Hotel cutoff date is **March 27, 2003**

Path Reporting

Cumulative Path Data Received





EDUCATION AND TRAINING

FLORIDA CANCER DATA SYSTEM INCIDENCE ABSTRACTING WORKSHOP

The FCDS Incidence Abstracting Workshop will be held at the Double Tree Hotel in Coconut Grove, Florida on March 26-28, 2003.

Registration fee: \$100.00

For more information please contact Mayra Alvarez at 305-243-4603.

15 CEU'S AWARDED FROM AHIMA

MARCH 2003 EMORY UNIVERSITY SESSIONS

Principles and Practice of Cancer Registration, Surveillance, and Control

This intensive and comprehensive training program in cancer registration, surveillance, and control will be held at the Holiday Inn Select Hotel and Suites, 2183 North Decatur Road, Decatur, Georgia 30033, located in the Atlanta-Emory University area on March 17 – 21, 2003.

Cancer Case Abstracting, Staging, and Coding

This comprehensive training program will be held at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel and Suites, 2183 North Decatur Road, Decatur, Georgia 30033, located in the Atlanta-Emory University area on March 24 - 28, 2003.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 2003

- FLORIDA CANCER DATA SYSTEM
INCIDENCE ABSTRACTING
WORKSHOP,
March 26-28, 2003

Emory University Sessions

- PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF
CANCER REGISTRATION,
SURVEILLANCE, AND CONTROL,
March 17-21, 2003
- CANCER CASE ABSTRACTING,
STAGING, AND CODING,
March 24-28, 2003

Complete details on the Emory courses are available on the training web site at <http://cancer.sph.emory.edu> or contact Steven Roffers, PA., CTR at (404)-727-4535.



Deadlines & Reminders

COMPLETENESS REPORT

The number of new cases added to the FCDS Masterfile in January 2003 is 16,590 and in February 2003 the number of new cases added is 9,351.

As of February 28, 50% of the 2002 Cancer Admissions has been reported to FCDS. 67% is expected.

REMINDER

75% of the 2002 Cancer Admissions are due by March 31, 2003.

ANNUAL MAIL FILE REVIEW

The Annual Mail File Review forms were mailed to all FCDS mail recipients on February 20, 2003. Please be sure to review the document. In an effort to efficiently correspond with you, please make any and all corrections to the information provided directly on the form itself and return it to FCDS by March 14, 2003. You may fax the form to 305-243-4871. Please feel free to contact FCDS anytime throughout the year to inform us of any changes.

PATH LABS

Every anatomic pathology laboratory that reads biopsy and surgical resection specimens collected from patient encounters within the state of Florida MUST electronically submit the specified data for every malignant cancer case. **Specimens read between July 1, 2002 and December 31, 2002 must be submitted to FCDS on or before June 30, 2003.**

FCDS Q & A



Question: If you have a Ca Insitu of the vulva that also involves the posterior margin of the vagina and extensive perineal and perianal tissue, is this regional direct and forget the insitu or what?



Answer: It's just very widespread in situ. Sounds like the entire mucosa in that area is breaking down.



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