WHAT’S NEW:
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE ON THE FCDS WEBSITE.

- FCDS INCIDENCE ABSTRACTING WORKSHOP BROCHURE
- ANNOUNCEMENT: WEB-BASED REPORT ACCESS PATH LABS
- COLLABORATIVE STAGING MELANOMA ERRATA AVAILABLE AT WWW.CANCERSTAGING.ORG
- REGISTRAR VOL. 29

FCDS MAILING INFORMATION
US Postal Service mail including Express mail, Priority mail, and Certified mail should be sent to the following PO Box address:

FCDS/University of Miami
Miller School of Medicine
P. O. Box 016960 (D4-11)
Miami, FL 33101

FCDS STREET ADDRESS SHOULD ONLY BE USED FOR COURIER PACKAGES (Federal Express, UPS, Airborne Express)

FCDS/University of Miami
Miller School of Medicine
1550 NW 10th Ave, Fox Bldg, Room 410
Miami, FL 33136

September 2005 Monthly Memo

FCDS 2005 Educational Telephone Conference

ATTENTION:
Cancer Registrars and HIM Directors

TOPIC:
FCDS Text Requirements

PRESENTED BY:
Sarah Manson, BS, RHIT, CTR, QC Field Coordinator

The FCDS dial-in educational telephone conferences are aimed at providing up-to-date information and training to Florida cancer registrars and abstractors. On Tuesday, October 18, 2005, FCDS will host a phone conference entitled FCDS Text Requirements and it will be free of charge. The call in Information is as follows:

Date: Tuesday, October 18, 2005
Time: 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. EDT
Participant Code: 433014
Dial-in Number: 888-830-6260

A PowerPoint slide presentation will be available on the FCDS Website, http://www.fcds.med.miami.edu, on October 18, 2005 as an adjunct to the conference. We recommend that the participants download the presentation and follow the slideshow during the call. For those participants that do not have access to the FCDS Website, please contact FCDS for a copy of the slideshow.

FCDS is pleased to provide this type of phone-in educational format. This has proven to be a wonderful method for training in cancer information and reporting requirement issues. If you have any suggestions for future topics, please submit them to FCDS at 1-800-906-3034 or e-mail Meg Herna at mherna@med.miami.edu.
FCDS will be generating the Quarterly Cancer Case Reporting Status Reports for the second quarter of 2005, June through September. The reports will be mailed the first week of October. All reporting facilities are expected to be 25% complete reporting their 2005 cancer cases. If you have any questions about your report, please contact your FCDS Field Coordinator at (305) 243-4600.

All abstractors with Web-based Access must renew their facility authorization annually. All current web-based access accounts will expire on November 30, 2005.

To renew facility access the user must complete two forms, the FCDS IDEA User Account Request form and the Web-based Report Access Authorization & Account Request memo. The FCDS IDEA User Account Request form must be completely filled out. The Web-based Report Access Authorization and Account Request memo must be copied onto facility letterhead, completed, and signed by the facility administrator. Only Access Authorization memos on facility letterhead will be acceptable. Both forms must be returned to FCDS via mail (no faxes). The mailing address is P. O. Box 016960 (D4-11), Miami, FL 33101.

You may access the forms by visiting the FCDS website at http://fcds.med.miami.edu and clicking on the FCDS IDEA tab.

The Florida Cancer Data System is happy to announce a new report that will be accessible from the Web-based Report Access feature currently available on the FCDS website: The Path Lab Listing. Each facility will have the ability to download its pathology lab reports listing directly from the FCDS website. The listings will include the facility number, CLIA number, patient name, social security number, date of birth, specimen date, and user name. Please note that non-cancer specimens may appear on the listings as reported by the pathology departments to FCDS.

In order to make this process secure, we are requesting that Pathology Lab Administrators designate one individual within each organization with the authority to retrieve and view the pathology lab reports listing. To obtain access to the web-based pathology lab reports listing, the facility must complete two forms: FCDS IDEA User Account Request Form and a Web-Based Report Access Authorization & Account Request memo. Please visit the FCDS website http://fcds.med.miami.edu to view and download these forms.

The Access Authorization memo must be copied onto facility letterhead, completed, and signed by the facility administrator. Only Access Authorization memos on facility letterhead will be acceptable. Both completed forms must be returned to FCDS via mail (no faxes). The mailing address is P. O. Box 016960 (D4-11), Miami, FL 33101.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mayra Alvarez at 305-243-4603.
When: November 10 - 11, 2005

Where: Doubletree Hotel - Coconut Grove
(www.coconutgrove.doubletree.com)
2649 South Bayshore Drive
Miami, FL  33133

Registration fee: $100.00

For additional information please contact Bleu Thompson at 305-243-2635.

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**FREEPORT, MAINE**

Operations pertinent to the cancer registry will be presented. Topics will include the cancer disease process, ICD-O-3, multiple primary and histology coding, Collaborative Staging, and an emphasis on site-specific abstracting. Sites include breast, conjunction with the Maine Cancer Registry.


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Please visit NAACCR website for more information at http://www.naaccr.org

**NPCR Educations and Training Series: Web Conference**

- November 2005
- December 2005
- January 2006
- February 2006

**NAACCR Cancer Surveillance Institute I: Principles and Public Health Applications**

- January 23-27, 2006
- Tampa, FL
- Sponsored by ACS and NAACCR

**NPCR Education and Training Series: Multiple Primary and Histology Coding**

- March 2006
I am very happy to announce the formation of the FCRA/FCDS Task Force. The main purpose of this task force is to allow for an easy method of communicating various issues at both the Cancer Registrars and Central Registry level. This task force will tackle problems such as issue resolution, improvement of processes with the hope of increasing efficiency and assist in identifying areas of educational needs.

The task force is made up of eight representatives from FCDS and FCRA. We felt that more input from each group would help to clearly identify and analyze any issue that is brought forth and would assure an optimal clear solution. FCRA is represented by Joyce Allan, as Liaison, Co-Chair, independent contractor, Walter Sanford, as President and hospital representative, Sally Kruse as a software vendor representative and Judy Bass as the representative for large conglomerate institutions. FCDS is represented by Gary Levin, Director of Administration/MIS as Co-Chair, Megsys Herna, Manager of Data Acquisition, Quality Control and Education, Mayra Alvarez, QC Field Coordinator and Sarah Manson, QC Field Coordinator as Recording Secretary. We feel that the task force has good representation and will work well together in resolving issues of any magnitude.

The task force meets the first Thursday of each month. To contact the taskforce, an e-mail address link has been established on both the FCRA (www.fcra.org) and FCDS (fcds.med.miami.edu under Contact Us or FCDS IDEA) web sites. The task force direct e-mail is taskforce@fcra.org. Regardless of which web site is used, the inquiries will get to the task force and will be reviewed and prioritized at our next meeting.

As issues are resolved, the task force will publish them through mass e-mails, FCDS Monthly Memo, FCDS Register, FCRA Sun Times as well as both organizations web sites. We will also announce joint education sessions based on the types of questions we receive. In addition, the task force is planning to make a presentation at the FCRA and FCDS Annual Meeting to report progress made throughout the year.

Currently we have defined four issues to open our discussions on. These include Differences between the EDITS Metafile and FCDS Edits, Class of Case 3 Reporting, Quality of Text being reported and the concept of “Umbrella Reporting” to determine how we can reduce the number of times a cancer is reported when multiple institutions exists under the same umbrella.
The figures shown below reflect initial patient encounters (admissions) for cancer by year.

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*Expected % based on 152,000 reported cases/year