



# The Florida Cancer Data System's Memo

JULY 2021

## Annual Report to the Nation: Rapid decrease in lung cancer and melanoma deaths lead overall continued decline in cancer death rate

*Overall incidence rates continue to increase in women, children and adolescents and young adults.*

Overall cancer death rates continue to decline in men and women for all racial and ethnic groups in the United States, according to the latest Annual Report to the Nation on the Status of Cancer. During 2001 to 2018, declines in lung cancer death rates accelerated, and death rates for melanoma declined considerably in more recent years, reflecting a substantial increase in survival for metastatic melanoma. However, the report finds that for several other major cancers, including prostate, colorectal and female breast cancers, previous declining trends in death rates slowed or disappeared.

The report, appearing in JNCI: The Journal of the National Cancer Institute, also finds that overall cancer incidence rates continue to increase among females, children, and adolescents and young adults (AYAs). All trends in this report cover the period before the COVID-19 pandemic.

The annual report is a collaborative effort among the American Cancer Society (ACS); the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); the National Cancer Institute (NCI), part of the National Institutes of Health; and the North American Association of Central Cancer Registries (NAACCR).

“The declines in lung cancer and melanoma death rates are the result of progress across the entire cancer continuum — from reduced smoking rates to prevent cancer to discoveries such as targeted drug therapies and immune checkpoint inhibitors,” said Karen E. Knudsen, M.B.A., Ph.D., chief executive officer, American Cancer Society. “While we celebrate the progress, we must remain committed to research, patient support, and advocacy to make even greater progress to improve the lives of cancer patients and their families.”

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### WHAT'S NEW:

*The following information is currently available on the FCDS website.*

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**FCDS** Florida Cancer Data System  
Florida Statewide Cancer  
Registry



# Florida Cancer Data System Deadlines, Updates, & Reminders

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“It is encouraging to see a continued decline in death rates for many of the common cancers,” said Karen Hacker, M.D., M.P.H., director of CDC’s National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. “To dismantle existing health disparities and give everyone the opportunity to be as healthy as possible, we must continue to find innovative ways to reach people across the cancer care continuum — from screening and early detection to treatment and support for survivors.”

However, increases in cancer incidence and death rates or deceleration of previous declining trends for some other cancers such as colorectal and female breast cancers are likely due to risk factors such as obesity.

The authors report that cancer death rates continued to decrease among children (aged <15 years) and AYAs (aged 15-39 years) despite an increase in incidence rates from 2001 to 2017. Overall cancer incidence rates in children and AYAs increased in all racial/ethnic groups except American Indian/Alaska Native children where rates remained stable. The most common cancer among AYAs was female breast cancer.

“When evaluating health disparities, it is critical to acknowledge the social factors that influence the health of the communities and access to health care,” said Betsy A. Kohler, M.P.H., NAACCR executive director. “Social and economic indicators, particularly based on small area assessments, are increasingly important to understanding the burden of cancer.”

Other key findings include:

- Overall cancer incidence rates were higher among men than women in every racial and ethnic group, except Asian/Pacific Islander population, where the rates were similar.
- Overall cancer incidence rates were slightly lower among Black people than White people.
- In contrast, overall cancer death rates were higher among Black people than White people.
- Incidence rates of liver cancer were previously increasing, but data show rates have stabilized among both men and women.
- Two-year relative survival for advanced-stage melanoma cases diagnosed during 2001-2009 was stable, but it increased 3.1% per year for those diagnosed during 2009-2014.
- Two-year relative survival only slightly increased for early- and intermediate-stage melanoma cases diagnosed during 2001-2014 (0.03% and 0.4% per year, respectively).

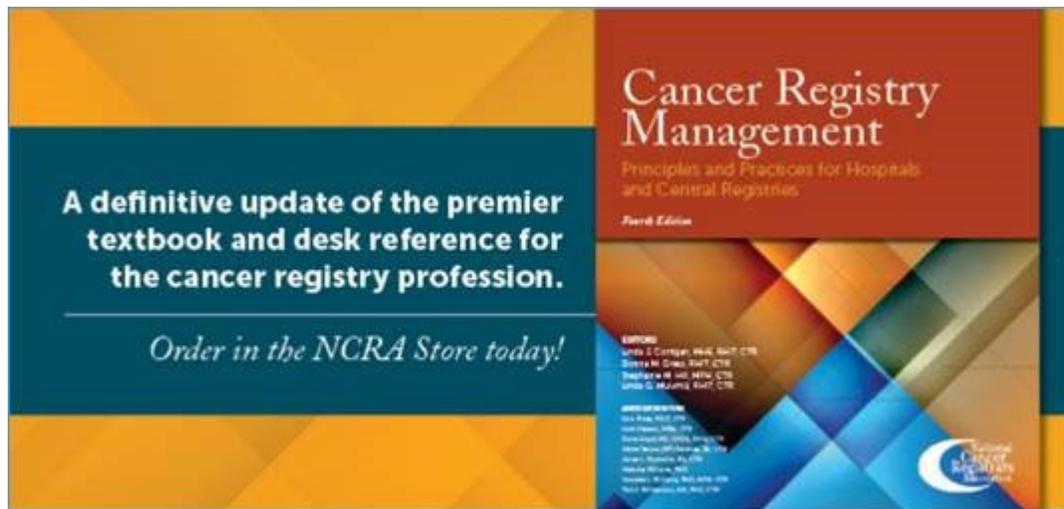
The authors indicate these findings can help inform health care providers about the need to increase efforts related to cancer prevention, early detection, and treatment, and for the need for equitable implementation of effective interventions, especially among under-resourced populations.

For more about the report, see: [https://seer.cancer.gov/report\\_to\\_nation](https://seer.cancer.gov/report_to_nation).



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## NCRA Releases 4th Edition of *Cancer Registry Management Principles and Practice for Hospitals and Central Registries*



NCRA's *Cancer Registry Management Principles and Practice for Hospitals and Central Registries* is the premier textbook and desk reference for the cancer registry profession. The fourth edition has been updated and provides a history of cancer registration, defines the roles of key organizations, outlines the cancer data collection process at the facility level, highlights the purpose and responsibilities of central cancer registries, and details the flow of the data to federal agencies and national organizations. Order your copy today: NCRA member price: \$179; non-member price: \$199.

NCRA's *Cancer Registry Management Principles and Practice for Hospitals and Central Registries* is the premier textbook and desk reference for the cancer registry profession. It has been revised by a volunteer team of cancer registry professionals who represent various organizations and entities from the cancer surveillance community in North America in a new, definitive update. The fourth edition is available for purchase in the NCRA store (<https://www.ncra-usa.org/About/Store/Store-Professional-Resources/BKctf/ViewDetails/SKU/NCRCRMTXBK4ED>) with the e-publication launching in late July. NCRA members may purchase at a discounted price.

As in earlier editions, this fourth edition provides a history of cancer registration, defines the roles of key organizations, outlines the cancer data collection process at the facility level, highlights the purpose and responsibilities of central cancer registries, and details the flow of the data to federal agencies and national organizations. Since the 2011 release of the third edition, there have been significant advancements in cancer care and treatment and important technological innovations that have impacted the cancer registry. To address these developments, the textbook has been organized into four sections: Introduction to the Cancer Registry, Data Collection and Abstraction, Data Aggregation and Quality, and Uses of Cancer Registry Data. The full manuscript has been updated, chapters on quality have been expanded, and new chapters have been developed to showcase the uses and importance of cancer registry data. A focus on the patient's journey has been added to provide context and to illustrate how a cancer patient's experience is connected to the collection and flow of the data. The expanded and updated appendices, glossary, and index are important reference tools for both faculty and students.



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## Congratulations David J. Lee, Ph.D.



Our very own David J. Lee, Ph.D., has been named chair of the Department of Public Health Sciences at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine.

Dr. Lee, who has served as acting chair of the department throughout the devastating COVID-19 public health crisis, brings 30 years of experi-

ence on the UM faculty as a public health leader in research, education, and vital service to our surrounding communities, and the world.

His work as a chronic disease and occupational health epidemiologist is part of a body of research that places the department among the top in NIH funding. Dr. Lee and the department are pursuing their overarching vision of “a world with healthy people living in healthy communities.” Under his leadership, connections to our immediate region and to countless international sites have grown exponentially, improving quality of life and providing unmatched training opportunities for students.

That training has accelerated as the pandemic has educated the public at large about the importance of public health and highlighted the need for more experts in areas including epidemiology, prevention science, infectious disease, community health, environmental health, biostatistics, and public policy.

Meeting that need is a top priority for Dr. Lee. The department has seen a dramatic increase in applications to our master’s and doctoral programs, and online programs and other innovations will help us reach an even

larger and more diverse pool of students in the coming years. A highlight of our growing programs is the exceptional M.D./M.P.H. program, the largest in the country.

Dr. Lee’s vision also includes “planetary resiliency,” an emerging priority for our public health teams that addresses the concerns of climate change and its impact on people and environments. The department will collaborate with other disciplines within the University and beyond to develop what Dr. Lee calls “a central role in working toward healthier people, healthier communities, and a healthier planet.”

In addition to his research, his community focus, and his “real joy and passion” for training the next generation of scientists, Dr. Lee is principal investigator for the Florida Cancer Data System, which is based at Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center. For more than a decade he has been involved in the state cancer registry, one of the most widely respected in the U.S. for its leadership and innovation.

We are grateful to Dr. Lee for his inspired leadership and service, and we look forward to the continued acceleration of the critical work of the Miller School of Medicine Department of Public Health Sciences.

Sincerely,

Henri R. Ford, M.D., M.H.A.  
Dean and Chief Academic Officer



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## IDEA Abstract Entry or Vendor Software Case

FCDS has been getting complaints about QC Reviews and Field Coordinator Corrections and Inquiries asking registrars to follow-back to medical records and answer inquiries or to make corrections on cases that were abstracted and reported in the FCDS IDEA Abstract Entry Program.

Field Coordinator and Quality Control Reviewers have no idea what software you used to enter your case.

Suggestions to the reviewer 'just make the change and don't tell me because I cannot make any changes to update my case in FCDS IDEA' is not helpful to the Final Reviewers or the QC Process. The First Reviewer does not usually even know you abstracted your case in FCDS IDEA Entry...so, they don't know to 'just make changes' as some may suggest.

Additionally, registrars should use the feedback not as a tool to criticize their work – but rather to learn from their mistakes or to make some items more clear in text...it is about quality improvement, not grading papers.

Please be patient with your Field Coordinator or QC Reviewer and remember that we do not know what software you are using, and the QC Review does not know who the abstractor is when they do first review of QC cases.

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## New CTRs for Florida

**Sasha Raju, Tampa FL**

**Frank Horvath, Cape Coral**

**Reginald Abadsantos, Fort Myers**

**Leticia Montalvan, Deltona**

**Carrie Antonelli, Vero Beach**

**Lucrecia Peters, Miami FL**

**Brianne Arent, North Port**

**Joan Rezzolla, Boca Raton**

**Kathleen Hammel, St. Augustine**

**Yvette Squire, Port Saint Lucie**

**Emily Hays, Palm Coast**

**Lisa Pennington, Saint Petersburg**

**Jessica Perry, New Port Richey**

**Lyubov Vaimer, Palm Coast**





# 2020 Pat Strait Memorial Award for Excellence in Cancer Registration

The Pat Strait Memorial Award for Excellence in Cancer Registration recognizes those individuals that contributed to a facility winning the Jean Byers Award by presenting a certificate to all its abstractors. The certificate is a way for FCDS to show our appreciation to those individuals that were responsible for helping a facility reach this exceptional national quality standard.

We recognize that the facilities that achieve this high-quality standard are staffed by remarkable professionals that made it possible for the facility to be awarded the Jean Byers Award.

Thank you for your continued support.

The 2020 Pat Strait Memorial Award winners are:

Reginald Abadsantos	Dalphia Bankhead	Athena Bullard
Janice Alexander	Casey Bartlett	Curtis Burner
Joyce Allan	Leigh Bishop	Heather Burner
Sarah Almodovar	Melissa Blakley	Sadie Camel
Prudence Ashley	Lisa Borodemos	Julianne Campbell
Stacey Applegate	Krist Bowman	Angela Campos
Patricia Atchley	Brandie Brown	Sandra Carlson
Marichu Auffenberg	Chad Brown	Charla Carter
Hector Aviles	Holly Brown	Kimberly Castaneda
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Janice Bachman	Penelope Brown	Kali Cerdan
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Denise Colburn	Neil Dungca	Evelyn Gorman	Vicky Lam
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Linda Corrigan	Elizabeth Elrod	Johanna Haneline	Daiana Lopez
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	Michelle Gathard	Penny Jones	

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Patricia West	Joelle Zukosky





# 2020 Jean Byers Award Winners

FCDS is happy to present the **Jean Byers Award for Excellence in Cancer Registration** each year to those facilities that meet or exceed the national quality standards for timeliness and completeness in cancer reporting.

The **Jean Byers Award** is presented to any facility that meets the following criteria:

- All Deadlines met with respect to cancer case admissions and all cases reported to FCDS:
- Annual Caseload Submission Deadline – March 31, 2020
- Consolidated Follow Back Deadline - October 15, 2020
- ✦ AHCA In Patient
- ✦ AHCA AMBI
- ✦ Death Certificate Notification
- No more that 5% (or 35 cases, whichever number is greater) of cancer case admissions reported to FCDS within 2 months (60 days) following the March 31, 2020 deadline
- No more that 10% of cancer case admission reported to FCDS within 12 months following the March 31, 2020 reporting deadline

The winners of the 2020 Jean Byers Award for the data admission year 2018 are:

1100-SHANDS UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA	1905-CITRUS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
1170-N FLORIDA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER	2146-NCH HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
1300-GULF COAST REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER	2246-LAKE CITY MEDICAL CENTER
1306-BAY MEDICAL CENTER	2302-JACKSON SOUTH COMMUNITY CENTER
1609-IMPERIAL POINT MEDICAL CENTER	2304-AVENTURA HOSP AND COMP CANCER CTR
1645-CORAL SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER	2338-MERCY HOSPITAL - MIAMI
1681-NORTHWEST MEDICAL CENTER	2349-HIALEAH HOSPITAL
1686-FLORIDA MEDICAL CENTER	2351-MOUNT SINAI MEDICAL CENTER
1687-UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER	2353-NORTH SHORE MEDICAL CENTER
1800-FAWCETT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	2356-LARKIN HOSPITAL PALM SPRINGS CAMPUS
1836-BAYFRONT HEALTH PORT CHARLOTTE	2358-KENDALL REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
1846-BAYFRONT HEALTH PUNTA GORDA	

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2359-NICKLAUS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL	4690-LEE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL HEALTHPARK
2372-U OF MIAMI HOSPITAL CLINICS	4770-CAPITAL REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
2378-CORAL GABLES HOSPITAL	5100-BLAKE MEDICAL CENTER
2383-PALMETTO GENERAL HOSPITAL	5200-OCALA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
2405-DESOTO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	5202-WEST MARION COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
2605-BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER BEACHES	5205-ADVENTHEALTH OCALA
2606-SHANDS JACKSONVILLE MEDICAL CENTER	5446-FISHERMENS HOSPITAL
2636-BAPTIST REGIONAL CANCER CENTER-JAX	5505-BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER NASSAU
2640-BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER SOUTH	5606-TWIN CITIES HOSPITAL
2647-NEMOURS CHILDRENS HOSPITAL	5610-ASCENSION SACRED HEART EMERALD COAS
2648-MEMORIAL HOSPITAL JACKSONVILLE	5670-FORT WALTON BEACH MED CTR
2672-WOLFSON CHILDRENS HOSP NCC	5705-RAULERSON HOSPITAL
2700-WEST FLORIDA HOSPITAL	5850-ADVENTHEALTH WINTER PARK MEM HOSP
2736-BAPTIST HOSPITAL OF PENSACOLA	5900-POINCIANA MEDICAL CENTER
2738-ASCENSION SACRED HEART	5936-ST CLOUD REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
2870-ADVENTHEALTH PALM COAST	5969-ADVENTHEALTH CELEBRATION
3300-ASCENSION SACRED HEART ON THE GULF	6003-DELRAY MEDICAL CENTER
3701-OAK HILL HOSPITAL	6007-LAKESIDE MEDICAL CENTER
3805-HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER	6036-ST MARYS MEDICAL CENTER
3903-BRANDON REGIONAL HOSPITAL	6045-WEST BOCA MEDICAL CENTER
3906-TAMPA GENERAL HOSPITAL	6046-BOCA RATON REGIONAL HOSPITAL
3932-H LEE MOFFITT CANCER CENTER	6048-JFK MEDICAL CENTER
3936-ST JOSEPHS HOSPITAL NORTH	6069-PALMS WEST HOSPITAL
3938-SOUTH FLORIDA BAPTIST HOSPITAL	6070-PALM BEACH GARDENS MEDICAL CENTER
3977-MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF TAMPA	6106-MORTON PLANT NORTH BAY HOSPITAL
3978-TAMPA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	6170-MEDICAL CENTER OF TRINITY
3988-SOUTH BAY HOSPITAL	6172-REGIONAL MED CENTER BAYONET POINT
4105-CLEVELAND CLINIC INDIAN RIVER HOSP	
4516-LEESBURG REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER	
4546-SOUTH LAKE HOSPITAL	

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6206-LARGO MEDICAL CENTER	6600-LAWNWOOD REGIONAL MED CTR
6246-JOHN HOPKINS ALL CHILDRENS HOSPITAL	6647-ST LUCIE MEDICAL CENTER
6249-MEASE DUNEDIN HOSPITAL	6707-SANTA ROSA MEDICAL CENTER
6250-MORTON PLANT HOSPITAL	6810-ENGLEWOOD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
6251-ST ANTHONY HOSPITAL	6846-VENICE REGIONAL BAYFRONT HEALTH
6273-PALMS OF PASADENA HOSPITAL	6870-DOCTORS HOSPITAL
6278-MEASE COUNTRYSIDE HOSPITAL	6905-CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL HOSPITAL
6305-LAKELAND REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER	7005-VILLAGES REGIONAL HOSPITAL
6346-BARTOW REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER	7105-LAKE CITY MED. CTR SUWANNEE
6347-ADVENTHEALTH HEART OF FLORIDA	7405-ADVENTHEALTH NEW SMYRNA
6348-ADVENTHEALTH LAKE WALES HOSPITAL	7407-ADVENTHEALTH DELAND
6349-WINTER HAVEN HOSPITAL	7446-ADVENTHEALTH FISH MEMORIAL
6446-PUTNAM COMMUNITY MEDICAL CTR	7448-ADVENTHEALTH DAYTONA BEACH
6570-FLAGLER HOSPITAL	7711-OVIEDO MEDICAL CENTER



# 2019 FCDS 2019 Consolidated Follow Back Records Available for Review

FCDS completed the matching of the 2019 In-Patient and Out-Patient Discharges reported by Florida reporting hospitals' and ambulatory surgery centers' Finance-Billing/Medical Records Department to the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA). All records with principal or secondary diagnosis of cancer were linked to the FCDS database. A match was also completed of the Florida Vital Statistics Death Certificate files for 2019. All non-matching records have been placed in IDEA for review.

Each case on the queue must be reviewed online. If the case is found to not be reportable, assign the appropriate disposition code; if the record was previously reported to FCDS assign disposition code 07, accession number, and sequence number, then press the Submit button. In addition, any case found to meet the FCDS Cancer Case Reporting Requirements outlined in Section I of the FCDS DAM and found to not have been previously reported must be reported to FCDS using IDEA. These are considered missed cases. Assign a disposition code of 01, accession number, and sequence number to the reportable cases and press the Submit button. **These disposition code 01 records (missed cases) must be electronically reported to FCDS within 30 days of assigning the disposition code, otherwise, after the 30 days, the record(s) will be placed back in the queue and marked as incomplete.**

**The deadline to complete the review and submission of any missed cases is October 15, 2021.**

Please keep in mind that all audits conducted by FCDS are dictated and closely monitored by the Florida Department of Health. Facilities failing to meet the reporting requirements will be reported to DOH for non-compliance. Should you have any questions, please contact your Field Coordinator at (305) 243-4600.



# QUESTIONS? ANSWERS. and CLARIFICATION

## CAROTID BODY

### Question:

Carotid body tumors are reportable, does this apply to paragangliomas with borderline behavior code?

### Answer:

After many, many years SEER and CoC have decided that these non-CNS tumors of the autonomic nervous system which includes both parasympathetic and sympathetic nerves (not brain, cranial nerve, meninges or spinal cord). Many of these tumors now must be reported...after decades of not reporting them.

Carotid Body Tumors were not reportable unless stated or proven to be malignant for decades. However, according to the December 2020 Solid Tumor Rules Update for any case diagnosed 1/1/2021 and forward – the term ‘malignant’ is no longer required to assign malignant (/3) behavior.

So, paraganglioma diagnosed 1/1/2021 or after are now to be treated and abstracted as malignant tumors with site C47.9 – unless otherwise stated by the pathologist – a total reversal of rules for neoplasms of the autonomic nervous system that had been the standard for many, many years. They often cannot be staged in AJCC TNM – but, they can be summary staged of course. And, some of the C47.9 edits are still ‘goofy’.

Add to the paraganglioma of the carotid body we also now need to have folks report; paraganglioma of larynx, middle ear, or vagal nerve – and please don’t forget that Glomus Jugulare Paraganglioma is now reportable as well. We have taught folks for decades not to report these tumors...now we want them.

## GYN MIXED TUMORS OF MULLERIAN ORIGIN

### Question:

What is the Primary site for Mullerian origin neoplasms that don’t show up in the usual locations?

### Answer:

This can be a bit confusing with Mullerian origin neoplasms that don’t show up in the usual locations.

I think because you don’t have much to go on (but, I don’t have imaging that might give a primary) – I would abstract

this as a carcinosarcoma/mixed mullerian tumor of the peritoneum....see below. But, they are usually primary in the endometrium/uterus. Without further information – I would abstract as peritoneum.

Carcinosarcoma is basically any malignant GYN tumor that has a mixture of epithelial cancer (some type or subtype of adenocarcinoma) and sarcoma (most often leiomyosarcoma but can be any sarcoma). So, it is a mixed sarcoma/adenocarcinoma of various subtypes on either side.

These have been called malignant mixed mullerian tumors or MMT or malignant mixed mesodermal tumors for many years. More recently these tumors are called uterine carcinosarcoma. It is usually older pathologists who still use the older terminology. They are fairly rare – but, not super rare. And, like I said they are usually associated with female genital tract...and they are usually poor outcome cancers – either the adenocarcinoma component or the sarcoma component or both are aggressive in nature and kill.

So, this is just a carcinosarcoma – they defined the adenocarcinoma component more clearly as endometrioid adenocarcinoma with squamous differentiation. But, they didn’t say what type of sarcoma.

These cancers get staged along with the adenocarcinoma’s in AJCC under endometrium.

Only pure sarcoma of endometrium is staged in the uterine sarcoma chapter.

MMMTs can arise in the ovaries, fallopian tubes, and cervix – the entire GYN Tract...but, you see them most often in the endometrium/uterus. Occasionally they can be peritoneal primary – but that is rare.

## Announcement and Registration

# 2021 FCDS Annual Conference Sessions: 8/12/2021 thru 9/2/2021

FCDS and FCRA have been working together to bring you a series of ‘essential topic’ webinars starting in August 2021 and concluding in early September 2021. Both the FCRA and FCDS 2021 Virtual Annual Conference Sessions will be similar to those hosted last year with the exception that FCRA plans to host their portion of the joint conference over 2 full days while FCDS will host 4 two-hour sessions over a 4 week period.

FCDS plans to continue working with FCRA and all Florida registrars throughout 2021 and 2022 to keep you connected and informed of the many changes in cancer registration during these still challenging times.

This announcement and the webinar registration links are for the FCDS Thursday Sessions, only; 8/12/2021-9/2/2021.

FCRA plans to host 2 all-day sessions in early August. FCRA Conference Agenda and Registration will sent under a separate announcement.

FCDS will host 4 sessions beginning August 12. The FCDS sessions will include 1 webinar each week every Thursday from August 12 – September 2 from 1pm-3pm.

Participants must register for each of the sessions you plan to attend rather than one single registration for the entire 4-part series.

FCDS encourages ALL Florida Registrars including Florida Interim Staffing Companies and Individual Contractors to attend ALL 4 Sessions.

Each session will provide an entirely different set of information. All sessions are equally relevant and timely. Each webinar will be FREE of Charge.

**CEUs:** FCDS will offer 4 webinars for up to 8 FREE CEU Hours. Each webinar will be awarded CEUs separately by NCRA. The entire conference series will be recorded.

Additionally, we will begin the **2021-2022 FCDS Educational Webinar Series in mid-September.** This additional 6-webinar series will build on the topics outlined during the annual conference. The 6-part series will focus primarily on 2021 requirements, manuals, instructions, and reporting expectations and will include 3 sessions used as examples for using all new materials together for individual cases. 12 FREE CEU Hours will be available from this series.

### 2021 FCRA and FCDS Virtual Educational Conferences:

- FCRA Virtual Annual Conference – early August 2021 – 2 dates and agenda TBA
- FCDS Virtual Annual Conference – August 12, 2021 – September 2, 2021
- FCDS Annual Educational Webinar Series – 9/16/2021 – 2/17/2022 – 3rd Thursday from 1pm-3pm

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# Announcement and Registration

## 2021 FCDS Annual Conference Sessions: 8/12/2021 thru 9/2/2021

**2022 Conferences:** FCRA/FCDS plan in-person conferences in Autumn 2022 at the Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay.

Topics, Schedules, Materials, Handouts, and copies of Presentations will all be forthcoming as we get closer to the conference dates. Materials will be posted to both the FCDS and FCRA Websites.

Session	Date/Time	Topic / Speaker – 1 or More Topic/Speaker in each 2-hour block	Registration Link for Each Session
FCDS Session 1	8/12/2021 1pm-3pm	Introduction to the 2021 Virtual Webinar Series by FCDS	<b>Session 1 - Registration</b>
		Explain CEUs for this year – blank certificate that you fill in yourself	
		DOH and FCDS Updates – State of the State	
		Resumption of Cancer Screenings	
		Florida Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Pilot Project: Update	
		FCDS Data Visualization Dashboards	
		FCDS DREAMS and Planning Special Data Requests	
FCDS Session 2	8/19/2021 1pm-3pm	2019-2020 Data Acquisition Summary	<b>Session 2 - Registration</b>
		2020 FCDS QC Activities	
		2021 CDC/NPCR Data Quality Evaluation of FCDS & Florida - Summary	
		That Thing You Do (or Don't Do) – Florida Visual Editing by NPCR & FCDS	
		2021-2022 FCDS Education and Training Plan	
		2021 FCDS Cancer Reporting Requirements	
		FCRA/FCDS Task Force Update	
		Annual FCDS Jean Byers and Pat Strait Awards	
FCDS Session 3	8/26/2021 1pm-3pm	2021 FCDS DAM – A Grand Tour – Where to Find What You Need	<b>Session 3 - Registration</b>
		Using the SEER*RSA for Staging/SSDIs and Other SEER Website Features	
FCDS Session 4	9/2/2021 1pm-3pm	Manual Updates - ICD-O / Solid Tumor Rules / Grade / SS2018 / etc.	<b>Session 4 - Registration</b>
		MORE Resources for Registrars – Dynamic Changes by AJCC/CoC/SEER	



# NAACCR Cancer Registry and Surveillance Webinar Series Registration



The Florida Cancer Data System is happy to announce that for another year we will be presenting the NAACCR Cancer Registry and Surveillance Webinar. Seven Florida facilities will host the 2019-2020 webinar series. Be sure to mark your calendars for each of these timely and informative NAACCR webinars.

- Boca Raton Regional Hospital (Boca Raton)
- Moffitt Cancer Center (Tampa)
- M.D. Anderson Cancer Center Orlando (Orlando)
- Shands University of Florida (Gainesville)
- Gulf Coast Medical Center (Panama City)
- Baptist Regional Cancer Center (Jacksonville)
- Florida Cancer Data System (Miami)

**\*\*\* In person attendance cancelled until further notice. Please Login to FCDS IDEA->Education->FLccSC Learning Management 2 weeks after webinar to watch recordings and get CEUs \*\*\***

Special thanks to the hosting facilities for their participation and support. For a complete description of the webinars, click here: [https://fcds.med.miami.edu/scripts/naaccr\\_webinar.pl](https://fcds.med.miami.edu/scripts/naaccr_webinar.pl) All webinars start at 9am.

Please go to the FCDS website to register online for your location of choice. Registration link is: [https://fcds.med.miami.edu/scripts/naaccr\\_webinar.pl](https://fcds.med.miami.edu/scripts/naaccr_webinar.pl). A separate registration will be required for each webinar. The number of participants allowed to be registered for each webinar will be dependent on space availability. For more information, please contact Steve Peace at 305-243-4601 or [speace@med.miami.edu](mailto:speace@med.miami.edu).

DATE	TOPIC
*10/1/20	Prostate 2020
*11/5/20	Lung 2020
*12/3/20	Thyroid 2020
*1/7/21	Treatment 2021
* 2/4/21	Lymphoma 2021
*3/4/21	Abstracting and Coding Boot Camp 2021
*4/1/21	Larynx 2021
*5/6/21	Pancreas 2021
*6/12/21	Kidney 2021
*7/8/21	Quality in CoC Accreditation
*8/5/21	Breast 2021
9/2/21	Coding Pitsfalls 2021

## NAACCR CANCER REGISTRY AND SURVEILLANCE WEBI- NAR SERIES

Seven Florida facilities will host the 2020-2021 webinar series, registration is required



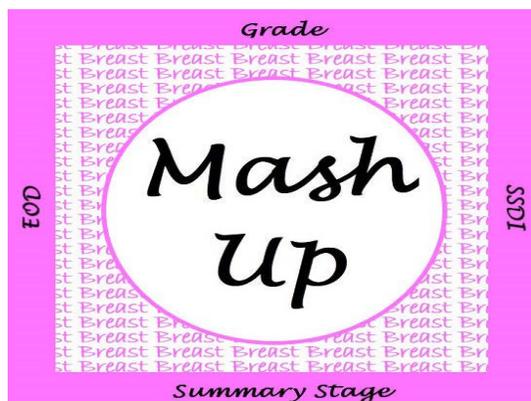
**REGISTER FOR THE  
NEXT WEBINAR**

FCDS is the host site for Miami, FL with space for 10 participants.

### CEU information for the 2020 FCDS Annual Conference:

CE Hours: 7.25  
1.5 Hrs Category A

NCRA Recognition  
Number: 2020-090



**SEER\*EDUCATE**  
**Summer Release**  
**Dx Year 2021 “The Mash-Up” Exercises**  
**EOD, Summary Stage, Grade, and SSDI**  
**For Breast, Prostate and Colon**  
**July 7, 2021**

SEER\*Educate - <https://educate.fredhutch.org/>

For the Dx Year 2021 changes to EOD, Summary Stage, Grade, and SSDI, we created a “mash-up” coding form to cover those coding systems. (For Dx Year 2018, we had separate forms for each of those coding systems.)

There is a case scenario (the Click here link) and we provide the read-only coding for site, histology, and behavior to ensure that the correct data items and drop-downs are retrieved from the SEER\*RSA. These are the same drop-downs vendor software will display to registrars. However, the page that displays before the coding form provides links to the various relevant manuals which you should also have open and available to complete these exercises.

After you complete the coding form, click the Score Now button to compare your coding to the preferred answers and detailed rationales for each data item.

# Florida Cancer Data System

## Cancer Reporting Completeness Report



### TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES IN THE FCDS MASTERFILE AS OF JULY 31, 2021

Total number of *New Cases* added to the FCDS Master file in July, 2021: **5,911**

The figures shown below reflect initial patient encounters (admissions) for cancer by year.

ADMISSION YEAR	HOSPITAL	RADIATION	AMBI/ SURG	DERMATOLOGY	PHYSICIANS CLAIMS	DCO	TOTAL CASES	NEW CASES
2021	1,902	0	24	4,429	1	Pending	6,356	1,147
2020	133,853	667	104	11,431	2,455	Pending	148,510	3,982
2019	222,803	4,643	210	12,195	24,798	Pending	264,649	782

% Complete for:	2021	Actual	Expected
		3%	17%
	2020	59%	100%
	2019	100%	100%

\*Expected % based on 250,000 reported cases per year



### Missed an FCDS or NAACCR Webinar?

Did you know that FCDS Webcasts and NAACCR Webinars can be viewed after-the -fact? FCDS Webcasts and NAACCR Webinars are recorded and posted on the FCDS Website (Education Tab).

The FCDS Webcast recordings are available free of charge and can be viewed anytime/anywhere by anybody. However, starting in October 2017 the CEU award mechanism is restricted to approved FLccSC Users. Access to the NAACCR recordings is still password protected.

Recordings of FCDS Webcasts held 2014-2017 can be accessed from the FCDS Website. There are no CEU Quizzes for sessions held 10/2014-9/2017. However, your attendance must be manually logged into the FCDS CEU Tracking System for you to get credit for attending these recorded sessions.

Recordings of FCDS Webcasts held 10/2017 or later can be viewed either from the FCDS Website or in FLccSC, Florida's new Learning Management System. However, Registrars must have an active FLccSC Account and must take and pass the CEU Quiz to get any CEUs and to obtain a certificate of attendance.

NAACCR Webinars have their own CEU award mechanism whether viewed live or via a recorded session. Again, access to the NAACCR recordings is password protected. Only Florida registrars with Active/Current FCDS Abstractor Codes can access NAACCR Webinars per FCDS/NAACCR agreement.

Please contact FCDS for more information on viewing recorded webinars, or to obtain the password to view individual NAACCR Webcast Recordings.

The Florida Cancer Data System (FCDS) is Florida's statewide, population-based cancer registry and has been collecting incidence data since 1981 when it was contracted by the State of Florida Department of Health in 1978 to design and implement the registry. The University of Miami Miller School of Medicine has been maintaining FCDS (<http://fcds.med.miami.edu>) since that time.

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