

GCCR Register

Georgia Comprehensive Cancer Registry

Spring 2001

Thank You Note from the Georgia Comprehensive Cancer Registry

The Georgia Comprehensive Cancer Registry (GCCR) thanks the following hospitals for submitting cancer data at least two months out of three (December 2000, January and February 2001). GCCR collects and reports information about cancer in Georgia. To be

useful, case information needs to be reported promptly and completely. Cancer cases should be reported monthly to the GCCR by the 5th of the month. For more information, please contact Rana Bayakly at 404-657-1943.

Hospitals that are not listed did not report cancer cases during these months or reported one month out of three months.

Hospitals Reported Three Months Out of Three		
Athens Regional Med Ctr	Jenkins County Hospital	Polk Medical Center
Brooks County Hospital	John D. Archbold Memorial Hosp	SE Georgia Regional Med Ctr
Camden Medical Center	Louis Smith Memorial Hosp	South Georgia Medical Center
Clinch Memorial Hospital	Macon Northside Hospital	St Francis Hospital
Coliseum Medical Center	Medical Center of Central GA	St Joseph's Hosp – Atlanta
DeKalb Medical Center	Memorial Hospital of Adel	Sumter Regional Hospital
Doctors Hospital - Augusta	Memorial Hospital-Savannah	Tanner Med Ctr-Carrollton
Doctors Hospital Columbus	Middle Georgia Hospital	Tanner Med Ctr-Villa Rica
East Georgia Regional Med Ctr	Minnie G Boswell Mem Hosp	Taylor Regional Hospital
Evans Memorial Hospital	Mitchell County Hospital	Tift General Hospital
Flint River Community Hosp	Monroe County Hospital	Washington County Reg Med Ctr
Grady General Hospital	Morgan Memorial Hospital	Wellstar Cobb Hospital
Hamilton Medical Center	NE Georgia Medical Center	Wellstar Douglas Hospital
Henry Medical Center	Peach Regional Med Ctr	Wellstar Kennestone Hospital
Higgins General Hospital	Perry Hospital	Wellstar Paulding Hospital
Houston Medical Center	Phoebe Putney Memorial Hosp	Wellstar Windy Hill Hospital
Jefferson County Hospital	Piedmont Hospital	Wills Memorial Hospital
Hospitals Reported Two Months Out of Three		
Appling Health Care System	Early Memorial Hospital	Palmyra Medical Center
Augusta State Medical Prison	Effingham County Hosp	Putnam General Hospital
Bacon County Hospital	Elbert Memorial Hosp	Rabun County Hospital
Baptist Hospital of Worth County	Emory Dunwoody Med Ctr	Southwest Hosp and Med Ctr
Berrien County Hospital	Floyd Medical Center	St Joseph's Hosp – Augusta
Burke County Hospital	Grady Health System	St Mary's Health Care System
Candler County Hospital	Gwinnett Medical Center	The Medical Center
Chatuge Regional Hospital	Jeff Davis Hospital	University Hospital
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Scottish Rite	McDuffie Regional Med Ctr	Upton Regional Med Ctr
	Meadows Regional Med Ctr	VA Medical Center - Atlanta
Crawford W. Long Hospital	Medical College of Georgia	VA Medical Center – Dublin
Dodge County Hospital	Memorial Hospital and Manor	Wayne Memorial Hospital
Dorminy Med Ctr	Newnan Hospital	West Georgia Health System

GCCR Extended Definition for Class of Case 3

Since the goal of GCCR is to collect all incidences of cancer diagnosed January 1, 1995 and later, all classes of case must be reported.

In an effort to facilitate complete reporting, GCCR has extended the ROADS

definition of Class of Case 3 to include patients with active disease who are seen at the facility for management of an unrelated condition and do not receive cancer related therapy or management while an inpatient or outpatient at the reporting institution.

If you have not reported these cases in the past, please begin to do so now. An update to the GCCR Policy and Procedure Manual will be mailed to all electronic reporters in the near future.

Special Bulletins

ICD-O-3 manuals will be mailed to every facility this spring. Keep an eye out for your copy in the mail.

Policy and Procedure Manual: In Section 3 Part A, "Essential Thrombocytopenia" should read "Essential (Idiopathic) Thrombocytopenia".

ICD-O-3 training is available on the internet at www.training.seer.cancer.gov.

FAQ's

Q: If I report a case to the GCCR, is it necessary for me to report it again?

A: Each case is reported **one time only** to GCCR. A patient may be diagnosed with more than one cancer and each new cancer is reported to GCCR.

Q: A medical record states that a patient with a history cancer is admitted for an unrelated condition. Do I report the case?

A: Per the casefinding tree, you would **not report** this case. The record has no information, so you assume the patient does not have active cancer and no treatment for cancer is given. An example of this would be a patient with a history of cancer who is admitted for cataract surgery.

Q: I have a pathology report for a specimen from another facility, which was read at my facility. Do I report the case?

A: This is a case of "tissue, no body". Do **not report** the case. It is the responsibility of the facility where the specimen is from to report this cancer. However, if your facility reads a path specimen from a doctor's office that is **not on staff** at your facility, your facility will **need to report** that case.

Q: A medical record is coded as a cancer diagnosis, but only a lab report is attached. Do I report the case?

A: If the lab report is the **only** document you have for a patient, do **not report** the case. There is not enough information. An example of this would be a PSA for prostate cancer.

Mark Your Calendars...

NCRA Annual Meeting

Registrars... An Important Piece of the Puzzle
May 21-26, 2001
Hilton Walt Disney World Resort
Orlando, Florida

NAACCR Annual Meeting

Changes in Attitudes, Changes in Latitudes
June 3-9, 2001
Sheraton Bal Harbour Beach Resort
Miami Beach, Florida

Star Reporters

This feature will showcase hospitals that have done an exceptional job in reporting cases to the central registry. In each quarterly newsletter, we will print a list of facilities which have submitted **on time and without rejection** each month for the past six months, beginning with the November 2000 submission (due December 5, 2000). Please e-mail your feedback about this feature to: arbayakly@dhr.state.ga.us

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