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References:

SEER EOD-88, 3rd Ed, 3-4

Question:

EOD-Size of Primary Tumor: How do you code tumor size for lesions described as "at least 2 cm"? See discussion.

Discussion:

The expression "at least 2 cm" seems to be different from "greater than 2 cm." Stating "at least" seems to indicate that if the tumor is larger than 2 cm, it is difficult to ascertain the exact tumor size. Should we accept 2 cm as the best info we have, or default to 999 because of the lack of specificity?

Answer:

For cases diagnosed between 1998-2003:

Code the EOD-Size of Primary Tumor field to 020 [2 cm], using the rule "code what you know."

Cancer Site Category:

N/A

Data Item Category:

N/A

Other Category:

N/A

Year:

2001