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References:

#1: SEER EOD-88, 3rd Ed, 136

#2: SINQ 20000268

Question:

EOD-Size of Primary Tumor--Prostate: If you only have a biopsy and not a resection of the primary site, can you code the size of the prostate nodule demonstrated on digital rectal exam? See discussion.

Discussion:

Example 1: Digital rectal exam reveals 1 cm left side prostate nodule. TRUS-guided biopsy of left side of prostate shows adenocarcinoma. Right side biopsy is negative. Is size coded to 010 or 999?

Example 2: Digital rectal exam reveals 1 cm left side prostate nodule. Bone scan was positive for metastatic disease. Is size coded to 010 or 999?

Answer:

For cases diagnosed 1998-2003:

You need path confirmation that a malignancy exists in the prostate before you can code the size of the nodule seen clinically.

Example 1: Code the EOD-Size of Primary Tumor to 010 [1 cm], because the nodule in the prostate is confirmed as cancer by needle biopsy.

Example 2: Code the EOD-Size of Primary Tumor to 999 because there was no pathologic confirmation of malignancy.

Cancer Site Category:

Prostate

Data Item Category:

N/A

Other Category:

N/A

Year:

2001