

SEER Inquiry System - Report

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References:

SEER EOD-88, 3rd Ed, 110c. Note C

Question:

EOD-Extension--Breast: Should clinically mentioned "thickening" of the breast be ignored if the pathology report does not mention thickening or skin involvement? See discussion.

Discussion:

For cases diagnosed 1998-2003: Can clinical "thickening" of the breast be coded to 20-28 extension code when there is no mention of the thickening or skin involvement in the pathology report? How do we code cases when pathology reports don't support the clinical finding of skin involvement.

Answer:

For cases diagnosed 1998-2003: Do not use code 20-28 when there is no preoperative treatment and the pathology report does not confirm skin invasion. The clinical diagnosis of skin involvement was not supported by the pathology report.

Cancer Site Category:

Breast

Data Item Category:

N/A

Other Category:

N/A

Year:

2002