

SEER Inquiry System - Report

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References:

Question:

Chemotherapy: How is treatment with Iressa (Gefitinib) coded?

Discussion:

Answer:

Code treatment with Iressa as chemotherapy.

Iressa is an epidermal growth factor inhibitor. While it doesn't kill cells directly, it damages the cell reproduction process. We classify it as a chemotherapy agent.

History:

For cases before 2004: Code the Other Cancer-Directed Therapy field to 2 [Other experimental cancer-directed therapy (not included elsewhere)] or 3 [Double-blind clinical trial, code not yet broken], depending on the nature of the clinical trial.

Cancer Site Category:

N/A

Data Item Category:

Chemotherapy

Other Category:

N/A

Year:

2002