

SEER Inquiry System - Report

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References:

2004 SEER Manual, C-429, C-439, C-447,. C-697

Question:

Surgery of Primary Site--Skin: How should this field be coded for a re-excision or wide excision of a skin primary when the margins are NOS?

Discussion:

Answer:

For cases diagnosed 2003 and later:

Assign surgery codes 45, 46 and 47 only when the margins are documented to be more than 1cm. Use the most appropriate code from 30-36 if re-excision or wide excision followed a biopsy. Use a code from the 20's series if the procedure is called a "biopsy."

Cancer Site Category:

Skin

Data Item Category:

Surgery of Primary Site

Other Category:

N/A

Year:

2003