

SEER Inquiry System - Report

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References:

#1: Heme & Lymph Manual & DB

#2: 2013 SEER Manual

Question:

First course treatment/Other therapy--Heme & Lymphoid Neoplasms: Is a transfusion coded as first course treatment for multiple myeloma? See Discussion.

Discussion:

Per the SEER Manual, First Course for Leukemia and Hematopoietic Diseases definitions, Other Hematopoietic states that transfusions are coded as "other" in the Other Treatment fields. Does this mean that a transfusion for chemotherapy-related anemia is coded as treatment for patients with multiple myeloma?

Answer:

Do not code transfusions as treatment. According to hematopoietic specialty physicians, transfusions are given for such a variety of reasons (anemia, etc.) and should not be coded as other treatment.

Cancer Site Category:

Heme & Lymphoid Neoplasms

Data Item Category:

First course treatment, Other therapy

Other Category:

N/A

Year:

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