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References:

Heme & Lymph Manual & DB, Appendix F

Question:

Reportability--Heme & Lymphoid Neoplasms: Is "plasma cell neoplasm" a synonym for multiple myeloma and is it reportable? See Discussion.

Discussion:

Path report in the comment section states "plasma cell neoplasm such as monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS)."

Answer:

For cases diagnosed 2010 and forward, access the Hematopoietic Database at <http://seer.cancer.gov/seertools/hemelymph>.

Per Appendix F, plasma cell neoplasm is not a synonym for multiple myeloma. Plasma cell neoplasm is a disorder that has an abnormal number of plasma cells. MGUS is such a disorder, but it is not reportable.

According to WHO, 'Plasma cell neoplasms' is the umbrella term that includes MGUS, plasma cell myeloma, solitary plasmacytoma of bone, immunoglobulin deposition diseases, extraosseous plasmacytoma, and osteosclerotic myeloma. Of these, only plasma cell myeloma, solitary plasmacytoma of bone, and extraosseous plasmacytoma are reportable.

Note: This terminology was added to the 2012 Hematopoietic Manual and Database for 1/1/2012. This should not have been added. If the only diagnosis is "plasma cell neoplasm," this is not reportable. If the diagnosis is "plasma cell neoplasm c/w multiple myeloma (or another reportable disease)," then it would be a reportable disease.

SEER*Educate provides training on how to use the Heme Manual and DB. If you are unsure how to arrive at the answer in this SINQ question, refer to SEER*Educate to practice coding hematopoietic and lymphoid neoplasms. Review the step-by-step instructions provided for each case scenario to learn how to use the application and manual to arrive at the answer provided. <https://educate.fhcrc.org/LandingPage.aspx> (<https://educate.fhcrc.org/LandingPage.aspx>).

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