SINGLE TUMOR

**Rule H1** Code the histology documented by the physician when there is no pathology/cytology specimen or the pathology/cytology report is not available.

*Note 1:* Priority for using documents to code the histology
- Documentation in the medical record that refers to pathologic or cytologic findings
- Physician’s reference to type of cancer (histology) in the medical record
- CT or MRI scans

*Note 2:* Code the specific histology when documented.
*Note 3:* Code the histology to 8000 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS) or as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented.

**Rule H2** Code the histology from a metastatic site when there is no pathology/cytology specimen from the primary site.

*Note:* Code the behavior /3.

**Rule H3** Code 9382/3 (mixed glioma) when at least two of the following cells and/or differentiation are present:
- Astrocytic
- Oligodendroglial
- Ependymal

**Rule H4** Code the histology when only one histologic type is identified.

**Rule H5** Code the specific type when the diagnosis includes a non-specific term and a specific term or type on the same branch in Chart 1 or Chart 2.

**Rule H6** Code the histology with the numerically higher ICD-O-3 code.

This is the end of instructions for Single Tumor.
Code the histology according to the rule that fits the case.
Multiple Tumors Abstracted as a Single Primary

Rule H7  Code the histology documented by the physician when there is no pathology/cytology specimen or the pathology/cytology report is not available.

Note 1: Priority for using documents to code the histology
- Documentation in the medical record that refers to pathologic or cytologic findings
- Physician’s reference to type of cancer (histology) in the medical record
- CT or MRI scans

Note 2: Code the specific histology when documented.

Note 3: Code the histology to 8000 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS) or as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented.

Rule H8  Code the histology from a metastatic site when there is no pathology/cytology specimen from the primary site.

Note: Code the behavior /3.

Rule H9  Code the histology when only one histologic type is identified.

Rule H10  Code the specific type when the diagnosis includes a non-specific term and a specific term or type on the same branch in Chart 1 or Chart 2.

Rule H11  Code the histology with the numerically higher ICD-O-3 code.

This is the end of instructions for Multiple Tumors Abstracted as a Single Primary.
Code the histology according to the rule that fits the case.