LUNG Histology Coding Rules - Flowchart
(C340 - C349)
(Excludes lymphoma and leukemia M9590-9989 and Kaposi sarcoma M9140)

SINGLE TUMOR

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| H1   | Code the histology documented by the physician. | 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, PET, or MRI scans
   ○ Chest x-rays
2. Code the specific histology when documented.
3. Code the histology to 8000 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS) or 8010 (carcinoma, NOS) as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented. |
| H2   | Code the histology from a metastatic site. | Code the behavior /3. |
| H3   | Code the histology. | Do not code terms that do not appear in the histology description. |

Example 1: Do not code squamous cell carcinoma non-keratinizing unless the words "non-keratinizing" actually appear in the diagnosis.

Example 2: Do not code bronchioalveolar carcinoma non-mucinous unless the words "non-mucinous" actually appear in the diagnosis.
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<td>H4</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>Code the invasive histologic type.</td>
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<td>H5</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>Code the most specific histologic term using Chart 1.</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>The specific histology may be identified as type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major, or with ____ differentiation.</td>
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Example 1: Adenocarcinoma, predominantly mucinous. Code mucinous adenocarcinoma 8480.

The specific histologies may be identified as type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major or with _____ differentiation.


Example 3 (non-specific with multiple specific histologies): Adenocarcinoma with papillary and clear cell features. Code adenocarcinoma with mixed subtypes 8255.

This is the end of instructions for Single Tumor.
Code the histology according to the rule that fits the case.
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**MULTIPLE TUMORS ABSTRACTED AS A SINGLE PRIMARY**

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| H8   | Code the histology documented by the physician. | 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, PET, or MRI scans
   - Chest x-rays
2. Code the specific histology when documented.
3. Code the histology to 8000 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS) or 8010 (carcinoma, NOS) as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented. |
| H9   | Code the histology from a metastatic site. | Code the behavior /3. |
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| H10  | Is only one histologic type identified? | Do not code terms that do not appear in the histology description.  
**Example 1:** Do not code squamous cell carcinoma non-keratinizing unless the words "non-keratinizing" actually appear in the diagnosis.  
**Example 2:** Do not code bronchioalveolar non-mucinous unless the words "non-mucinous" actually appear in the diagnosis. |
|      | YES    |                    |
|      | NO     |                    |
| H11  | Is one tumor in situ and the other invasive or are both tumors invasive? | Code the histology of the most invasive tumor.  
1. This rule should only be used when the first three numbers of the histology codes are identical. (This is a single primary.)  
2. See the Lung Equivalent Terms, Definitions, Charts, Tables and Illustrations for the definition of most invasive.  
   - If one tumor is in situ and one is invasive, code the histology from the invasive tumor.  
   - If both/all histologies are invasive, code the histology of the most invasive tumor. |
|      | YES    |                    |
|      | NO     |                    |
The specific histology may be identified as type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major, or with differentiation.

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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.
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