

Change List for 2026 IDOH Policy and Procedure Manual for Reporting Facilities

(The manual is available at <http://www.in.gov/isdh/24035.htm>.)

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Item, Section, or Issue	Change
Section viii, Indiana Department of Health Cancer Registry Staff	• Added Cancer Registry Coordinator contact for Nicole Ly • Updated Education and Training Coordinator contact to Kelsi Fryauf-Perkins
Chapter 1, A. Required References	• Updated ICD-0-3 Coding Guidelines to 2026 with link • Updated Grade Manual link to v3.3 • Updated SSDI Manual link to v3.3
Chapter 1, B. Additional Resources	• STORE Manual 2026 link added • AJCC new version 9 protocols for 2026 added (Salivary Glands and Oropharynx HPV-Associated) • Added Cancer PathCHART resource as resource #5 • Updated link to NPCR • Updated link to Cancer Program Standards
Chapter 2, F. Patient Index	• Sex updated to Sex Assigned at Birth to align with field change for 2026
Chapter 3, D. 2-Reportable Nonanalytic Cases	• Removed “either the paper” and updated to “record them in a computerized abstract.” ISCR no longer accepts paper abstracts beginning 1/1/2026 • Updated item 19. Sex to Sex Assigned at Birth to align with field change for 2026
Chapter 3, G. 1 Hospitals With Computerized Systems	• Removed information regarding no longer processing diskettes under item d. • Added instructions for submitting modified records via Web Plus under item e.
Chapter 4, B. Guidelines for Interpretation of Terminology	• Updated year, page number and link to SEER 2026 Appendix E • Removed SEER Reporting Requirements for PI-RADS, BI-RADS, and LI-RADS. SEER no longer considers these reportable
Chapter 5	• Example dates throughout chapter 5 were updated to the year 2026 • Retired fields were removed from the 2026 manual and can be found in earlier versions
Chapter 5, State Data Set	• Updated diagnosis year to 2026 • Replaced NAACCR 220 with NAACCR 225, Sex Assigned at Birth • Removed NAACCR 1021-1024, 1033 and 1036, AJCC TNM post therapy TNM and stage not required
Chapter 5, Sex Assigned at Birth	• Updated to item name Sex Assigned at Birth • Updated NAACCR Item # to 225 • Updated to description to “Identifies the sex of the patient assigned at birth. This new data item will replace Sex [220] for all cases regardless of diagnosis year.” • Removed codes 3, 4, 5, and 6 (no longer applicable) and Note regarding codes 5 and 6 • Added updated coding instructions: Record the sex of the patient assigned at birth

	○ When the patient's sex is documented as male or female, and there is no other information to indicate the patient was assigned a different sex and birth, assign code 1 or 2, respectively ○ When sex is not known: ▪ Assign code 1 when primary site is C600-C639 ▪ Assign code 2 when the primary site is C510-C589 ○ Assign code 9 when: ▪ Sex is unknown and not within the listed ranges for primary site mentioned above ▪ Sex is not yet determined ▪ Patient is born with Disorders of Sexual Development (DSD) and sex is not clearly defined ▪ Patient's sex is documented as other than male or female (i.e., non-binary, transsexual), and there is no additional information about sex assigned at birth ○ Do not assign code 9 when sex is documented as male or female and there is no other information about sex assigned at birth. Assign the respective code
Chapter 5, Surgical Procedure of Primary Site	• Updated sites with site specific surgery codes beginning with letter B "skin, colon, pancreas, lung, breast and thyroid." • 4. Removed Note 2 and example for shave biopsies, no longer applicable with skin coding structure change
Chapter 5, Primary Site	• Updated to state use current SEER Solid Tumor Coding Rules (removed 2018) under letter B. ○ Removed Exception for Cutaneous Melanoma and Other Sites (no longer applies). • Updated table and coding manual year in letter f to reflect 2026 manual.
Chapter 5, Histology	• Updated year of ICD-0-3.2 guidelines under instructions • Updated SEER 2018 Solid Tumor Rules to current 2026. ○ Removed Exception for Cutaneous Melanoma and Other Sites (no longer applies). • Updated the version date for the Hematopoietic and Lymphoid Manual to 10/2025
Chapter 5, General Rules for Coding Grade	• Updated e. to include "even if the invasive grade is unknown" per the grade manual • Added instructions for grade coding relating to consults in item g.
Chapter 5, Grade Pathological	• Added instructions of when clinical grade should be used within the Grade Pathological field to #3. Subsequent items were renumbered
Chapter 5, Site-Specific Data Items (SSDI)	• Updated SSDI Item #3890 Microsatellite Instability (MSI) to include Corpus Carcinoma and Carcinosarcoma for cases diagnosed 1/1/2026+
Chapter 5, Reason for No Surgery of Primary Site	• Changed word in f. from definitive to specific per STORE manual 2026 update
Chapter 5, Radiation/Surgery Sequence	• Definition for code 4 updated to "At least one phase of radiation was given before and at least one more phase after any surgery to primary site; scope of regional lymph node surgery; surgery to other regional site(s), distant site(s), or

	distant lymph node(s) was performed.” Per STORE manual 2026 update
Chapter 5, Reason for No Radiation	Changed word in 6. from definitive to specific per STORE manual 2026 update
Chapter 5, Chemotherapy	- Section e. Targeted therapy updated description and removed “newer cancer drugs” - Examples of agents added based on current information from SEER: Imatinib, Lapatinib, Erlotinib and Sunitinib *Section f. removed “If the replacement drug is in a different group than the original drug it is subsequent therapy” to reflect standard setting guidelines for change in chemotherapy agents. Updated to “The managing physician may change a chemotherapy agent or one of the agents in a regimen belonging to a different subcategory. First course treatment would not necessarily end due to these changes and does not automatically represent subsequent therapy. Changes in agent(s) may occur due to reasons other than disease progression.”
Chapter 5, Systemic/Surgery Sequence	Definition for code 4 updated to “At least one course of systemic therapy was given before and at least one more after any surgery to primary site; scope of regional lymph node surgery; surgery to other regional site(s), distant site(s), or distant lymph node(s) was performed.” Per STORE manual 2026 update
Chapter 6, Part 1 General Instructions	- Added instructions for submitting modified records via Web Plus. - Effective immediately, ISCR accepts a modified record, which will be sent in as a normal data submission electronically via Web Plus. You will follow the standard naming and submission process and add “MOD” at the end of the regular naming convention in the file name to indicate a modified record. <i>Example:</i> 000Data02152024 MOD.xml
Appendix B	Added “This is not a comprehensive list of all related terms and synonyms. Please refer to NAACCR 2026 ICD-0-3.2 Coding Guidelines for a full up to date list.”
Appendix F	Updated year for SEER*Educate from 2022 to 2025. Updates from 2026 are pending
Appendix G	- Updated surgery codes in Definitions and Rules used for example under section b 2) - Colon (C18.0-C18.9) (01/01/2024)- updated typo of Surgical to Surgical Procedure of Other Site (NAACCR#1294) - Added additional description and coding note to B100 “B100 includes electrocautery; fulguration (includes use of hot forceps for tumor destruction).”per STORE Manual 2026 - Removed “Rarely Used” from B220 note per STORE Manual 2026 - Lung (C34.0-C34.9) (01/01/2024)- Added note to B200 “Assign B200 for cryodebulking” per SEER Manual Appendix C 2026 - Skin (C44.0- C44.9)- Added note to B240 “Elliptical/fusiform excisions are eye shape excisions around the circle outlining the amount of normal skin to take during the excision and are performed to allow for a better-looking scar.” Per STORE Manual 2026

	- Prostate (C61.9)- Added note for A220 “Assign code A220 for a tumor destruction procedure or other minimally invasive procedure when cancer is an incidental findings during surgery/procedure for benign disease (such as ablation [aqua, cold, heat, laser], Holmium laser enucleation of the prostate (HoLEP), or TURP). Use text fields to document the details.” Per STORE Manual 2026 - Note added for A250 for HoLEP “Assign code A250 for HoLEP when a specimen is sent to pathology and patient has suspected/known cancer.” Per SEER Manual Appendix C 2026 - Brain and Other Parts of Central Nervous System (C70.0-C72.9)- Updated code A220 with note “Assign code A200 for stereotactic biopsy of brain tumor. This includes a Stealth or StealthStation guided needle biopsy, a type of stereotactic biopsy.” Per STORE and SEER Manual Appendix C 2026
Glossary of Registry Terms	Added Web Plus and SEER DMS

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No major changes for 2026