

Cancer

In order to produce accurate data on the burden, types and changing patterns of cancer among residents in our State, all health care providers (physicians, surgeons, urologists, dermatologists, family practice, PAs, NPs, etc.) or any health care facilities (hospitals, surgical centers, long-term care, etc.) who have diagnosed or provided treatment for an active cancer patient in the state, are obligated under 7 AAC 27.011 to report this information to the Alaska Cancer Registry (ACR) **within 6 months of the date of diagnosis, screening, staging procedures, or treatment.**

All types of active cancers, as well as benign brain diagnoses, are reportable except for basal or squamous cell skin cancer and cervical cancer in-situ.

Although the majority of cancer cases are diagnosed and treated in a hospital setting, more cases are now being diagnosed and treated outside of the hospital setting, therefore it becomes the responsibility of the primary health care provider to report the cancer cases who will not be inpatients at a hospital or cancer cases that choose to obtain evaluation or treatment in another state.

Hospitals and other health care facilities should report using the information and instructions from the "ACR Procedure Manual for Reporting Sources," which is available from the Section of Chronic Disease and Health Promotion. Copies may be obtained by calling 907-269-2020 or by going to the following web site: http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Chronic/Documents/Cancer/assets/ACR_Manual.pdf

Any health care provider that has or will report more than 25 cases per year must report electronically. ACR has established a secure electronic transmission process called WebPlus for health care providers and small health care facilities. Instructions on using this program will be on the following website: <http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/chronic/cancer/default.htm>

Cancer Report Form for less than 25 cases per year:

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Chronic/Documents/Cancer/assets/ProviderCancerForm.pdf>

Melanoma Report Form for less than 25 cases per year:

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Chronic/Documents/Cancer/assets/Melanoma.pdf>

Along with these forms, please also send any pathology reports available.

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