



AR Central Cancer Registry Updates

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ANNOUNCEMENTS!!!

Did you know eligibility routes for the CTR Exam ARE CHANGING?

Beginning in 2008 college level A & P courses will be required, and by 2010 a minimum of an Associates Degree in an allied health field will be the requirement. For more information, please visit the link below.

<http://www.ctrexam.org/pdfs/Eligibility2008.pdf>

The Arkansas NCRA basket will be put together **by assigned committee members** and displayed on the ACCR website.

Calendar of Events

NAACCR WEBINARS

- ❖ View at ACCR Central Office
- ❖ Time: 1:00-5:00pm
- ❖ Dates:
 - 10/19/06 Head & Neck
 - 11/16/06 CNS Tumor
 - 1/18/07 Female Reproductive
 - 2/15/07 Urological Tumors
 - 4/19/07 Multiple Primary (2007)
 - 5/17/07 Lymphoma

- 7/19/07 Prostate
- 8/16/07 Breast

****Travel expenses for the Webinar WILL BE PAID for the FIRST FIVE PEOPLE who respond AND are located at least 50 miles or more away from the ACCR Central Office. If interested, please call Johnnie Jackson @ 501-661-2960 ASAP!!!!**

**FYI
(For Your Informaiton)**

Arkansas Central Cancer Registry (ACCR) is currently performing follow-back on our annual death clearance process for the year 2004. Letters have been mailed to physician offices.

The 2005 and 2006 NCRA Conference CDs are available to loan if anyone need CE hours. Please contact: Theressia at 661-2952.

Scenario.....patient comes in with palpable lymph nodes on neck. Bx confirms SCC but after all the workup no primary site is found. ACoS I&R says to code C76.0 - ill-defined site for head and neck...**do not use C80.9.**

Scenario.....pt is diagnosed with refractory anemia (9980/3) in 2002 and it transformed into AML (9861/3) in 2003...**do not** change the

morphology from 9980/3...the original code identifies the state of disease process when the cancer was first diagnosed...ACoS I&R.

THE ARKANSAS CANCER REGISTRARS' ASSOCIATION (ARCRA) HELD THEIR ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE "GET YOUR REGISTRY ON BOARD" SEPTEMBER 20-22, 2006 AT THE BREWER HEGEMAN CONFERENCE CENTER IN CONWAY, AR. THERE WERE 42 REGISTRARS IN ATTENDANCE. THE EDUCATION AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE (CHAIR - MELISSA RIDDLE) HAD A VARIETY OF SPEAKERS PRESENTING FROM HEADERS AND HEELERS - MICHELE WEBB TO ACCR UPDATES PRESENTED BY BARBARA MURCHISON. THERE WAS GOOD FOOD, GOOD NETWORKING AND LOTS OF GOOD FUN ON FRIDAY.

From ACCR Staff



**HATS OFF TO
AMY GREER, ACCR
AND
SUE ANN CAUDELL, LITTLE ROCK BAPTIST
FOR PASSING THE
CTR EXAM!!**

- ❖ Please send your non-reportable cases twice a year
- ❖ Formats
 - ❖ ACCESS
 - ❖ EXCEL
 - ❖ NAACCR VERSION 11

We appreciate all who are submitting their monthly submission via the web. We request everyone to be submitting via the web by January 2007. If you have questions regarding

submission, please contact Mike Castera at Michael.castera@arkansas.gov

The Central Cancer Registry has found many discrepancies with social security numbers while doing patient duplication & death clearance. Please make sure the correct SS# is being used for the patient.



The deadline has passed for submission of your hospital's cost estimation worksheet. If your facility is still calculating your budget amounts, please go ahead & submit once it is completed. Please send that information to Roseann.Carter-Foster@arkansas.gov. Or if you have never heard of this worksheet, please contact Rose Ann. You should have received this information via email back in June. Thanks so much for your help!



If we all tried to make other people's paths easy, our own feet would have a smooth even place to walk on.

Myrtle Reed
(1874-1911)
American writer