SEER Program Coding and Staging Manual 2012

Coding Guidelines LYMPHOMA M9590/3-M9738/3

See the <u>Hematopoietic and Lymphoid Neoplasm Case Reportability and Coding Manual</u> and the Hematopoietic Database (DB) for more information and coding instructions.

First Course of Therapy

Do not code proton pump inhibitors as treatment. Proton pump inhibitors are used for gastric acid suppression; they treat symptoms, not the lymphoma itself.

Surgery of Primary Site

Note: Surgery codes for lymph nodes (C770-C779) are not limited to lymphomas. Use the site-specific coding scheme corresponding to the primary site or histology.

Use of code 25 (Local tumor excision, NOS): Assign code 25 only when one lymph node was identified through clinical evaluations and was removed. If multiple nodes are involved and only one is removed, code as a biopsy; do not code in Surgery of Primary Site.