



Cancer registry data – coding topography, morphology and stage

The aim of this course is to support data coding for European cancer registries by describing the corresponding international classifications and their principles for implementation. At the end of the course, participants should:

- a. be familiar with commonly used cancer coding systems and some of the difficulties in applying these;
- b. be confident in coding difficult cases, especially haematological and some rare malignancies;
- c. be aware of some online resources facilitating the coding of cancer cases and the JRC-ENCR Quality Checks software for consistency of codes.

The course is intended for the cancer registry staff involved in coding and processing coded data. Some familiarity with registration practices, with the ICDO-3 coding system and with UICC/AJCC staging manual is assumed.

The course will have a number of interactive and individual exercises which may be followed by a general discussion.



Tuesday September 25, 2018

9.30-17.30

Session 1. 9.30-9.45. Welcome and introduction.

Session 2. 9.45-10.30. Introduction to coding systems: a short outline of systems for coding topography, morphology, behaviour and grade – ICD-O and ICD10. Use of ICD-O on line.

Session 3. 10.30-11.00. Interactive exercise 1. Topic: Participants will be given a number of coding exercises in topography and morphology. *Data quality checks for consistency between topography and morphology – examples from the JRC Quality Checks Software.*

11.00-11.15 Break.

Session 4. 11.15-12.00. Coding sarcomas, brain tumours, neuro-endocrine tumours and haematological malignancies – specific issues.

Session 5. 12.00-12.30. Interactive exercise 2. Topic: Participants will be given a number of coding exercises in topography and morphology. *Data quality checks for consistency between topography and morphology – examples from the JRC Quality Checks Software.*

12.30-13.30 Break

Session 6. 13.30-14.00. Coding TNM stage – main principles

Session 7. 14.00-15.30. Coding TNM stage – selected sites

15.30-15.45 Break

Session 8. 15.45-17.00. Interactive exercise 3. Participants will be given a number of coding exercises on TNM staging.

Session 9. 17.00-17.30. Wrap-up and comments from participants.
