



Coding Multiple Meningiomas

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1. Cerebral meningiomas are coded to **C70.0**; spinal meningiomas are coded to **C70.1**.
2. Cerebral meninges are listed as a lateral site, so you code left and/or right cerebral meninges when possible.

Example: Patient has a meningioma over the right temporal lobe and a second meningioma over the left frontal area. Code the laterality of the first tumor to "right" cerebral meninges and the laterality of the second tumor to "left" cerebral meninges.

3. The morphology code for benign meningioma, NOS is M9530/0 (other benign codes are in the 953-series).
4. Use of the code for "multiple meningiomas," M9530/1.

This has a behavior code of "1" and does not apply to multiple or sequential benign meningiomas that have a behavior code of /0 OR **malignant** meningiomas that have a behavior code of /3.

Do not use this code for multiple meningiomas except in rare circumstances (about 1%–2% of all meningiomas). Multiple meningiomas (also called **meningiomatosis**), is a rare condition strongly associated with neurofibromatosis type 2 and other genetic disorders, but occasionally occurs as sporadic or idiopathic. Occasionally multiple meningiomas may arise that are not associated with a genetic disorder. However, multiple malignant meningiomas are rare.

Per SEER, use code 9530/1 [Meningiomatosis, NOS] only when the diagnosis is stated to be meningiomatosis, or multiple meningiomas. (SEER SINC 20061072)

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