New Variables Required for Collection by ALL Louisiana Hospitals

The following data items are **required** to be collected for cases **diagnosed in 2011 and after**:

General Coding Instructions:

- ▫ Record height & weight listed at or around the time of diagnosis.
  - • Height & weight are to be collected ONCE at time of diagnosis for EACH cancer
- ▫ If **no** height and/or weight was listed when cancer was diagnosed, use the height/weight recorded on the *date closest* to the date of diagnosis, but **before treatment was started**

Height Coding Guidelines: (please refer to Reference Guide Converting Feet to Inches)
- ▫ Code in **inches** (1 foot=12 inches)
- ▫ Enter as a 2 digit number
- ▫ Code "**98**" for **98 inches or greater (≥ 8'2")**
- ▫ Code "**99**" for **unknown height**
- ▫ All inch values should **be rounded to the nearest whole number**
  - − Ex: 62**.4** inches would be coded as **62**; 62**.5** inches would be coded as **63**

Weight Coding Guidelines:
- ▫ Code in **pounds** (1 kg=2.2 pounds)
- ▫ Enter as a 3 digit number
- ▫ Code "**999**" for **unknown weight**
- ▫ All pounds values should be **rounded to the nearest whole number**
  - − Ex: 155.5 pounds would be coded as 156
- ▫ If patient weighs less than 100 pounds, record weight with leading zero
  - − Ex: 98.2 pounds would be coded as **0**98; 79.7 pounds would be coded as **0**80

Tobacco Use Variables   **Required for cases dxd 2011-2022 ONLY**

- ▪ Four data items for coding **patient's past or current** tobacco use:
  - ▫ Cigarette
  - ▫ Other smoking products: Pipes, cigars, kreteks (made with a blend of tobacco, cloves and other flavors)
  - ▫ Smokeless tobacco products: Chewing tobacco, snuff, etc.
  - ▫ Tobacco NOS
- ▪ Coding schema:
  - 0   Never used
  - 1   Current user **(as of date of diagnosis)**
  - 2   Former user, quit *within one year* of the date of diagnosis
  - 3   Former user, quit *more than one year prior* to the date diagnosis
  - 4   Former user, unknown when quit
  - 9   Unknown/not stated/no smoking specifics provided
- ▪ If only "**No**" is documented in medical record **code 9**. **DO NOT CODE 0 (Never used) here.**
- ▪ If "**None**" is documented in medical record then **code 0 (Never used)**

Source Comorbidity

- ▪ Coding schema:
  - 0   No comorbid condition or complication identified/Not Applicable
  - 1   Collected from facility face sheet
  - 9   Other source
- ▪ **CoC hospitals use only codes 0, 1 or 9**
- ▪ Codes 2 to 5 (not listed above) are for central registry use only

Reference Guide Converting Feet to Inches

Feet	Inches	Total Inches
4	0	48
	1	49
	2	50
	3	51
	4	52
	5	53
	6	54
	7	55
	8	56
	9	57
	10	58
	11	59
5	0	60
	1	61
	2	62
	3	63
	4	64
	5	65
	6	66
	7	67
	8	68
	9	69
	10	70
	11	71
6	0	72
	1	73
	2	74
	3	75
	4	76
	5	77
	6	78
	7	79
	8	80
	9	81
	10	82
	11	83
7	0	84
	1	85
	2	86
	3	87
	4	88
	5	89
	6	90
	7	91
	8	92
	9	93
	10	94
	11	95
8	0	96
	1	97
	2	98

Anything over 8 foot 2 inches, code to 98