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# Class of Case

For many cancer patients, traveling to receive treatment is a necessity. They may live in an area, such as a rural location, that has fewer medical facilities and the services, or the managing physician might refer them out for treatment. For those reasons, health care providers may be spread across multiple hospitals and offices.



## Class of Case tells you who had a hand in caring for the patient

- Who diagnosed the patient
- Where was the patient diagnosed
- Who treated the patient
- Where was the patient treated
- What was done at your facility
- Why was a facility or doctor involved





♪ This hand is your hand...



...this hand is my hand...



...oh wait that's your hand...



...no wait, it's my hand! ♪



# Class of Case

NAACCR [610]

**STORE Manual:**

**Pages: 45-46 (case eligibility)**

**Pages: 125-128 (instructions and examples)**

**Class of Case is assigned to all accessioned cases and is based on the following:**

- The nature of involvement of the facility in the care of the patient.
- Whether the cancer is required to be reported by the CoC.
- Whether required by central registry.
- Cases are accessioned after the registry's reference date.



## Class of Case if separated into two groups:

- Analytic Cases
- Nonanalytic Cases

The codes within these 2 groups allow for differentiation and make additional distinctions between:

- Location of diagnosis
- Location and extent of the facility's involvement in first course of treatment



# Analytic Cases

## Class of Case 00-22

- Analytic cases are included in treatment and survival analysis
- For cases where the reporting facility did one or both of the following:
  - Diagnosed the patient
  - Administered any of the first course of treatment
- Required by CoC to be abstracted because of the program's primary responsibility in managing the cancer



## The codes distinguish between:

- **Place of diagnosis:**
  - Diagnosed in a staff physician's office
  - Diagnosed initially by the reporting facility
- **Treatment location:**
  - Patients fully treated at the reporting facility
  - Patients partially treated by the reporting facility
  - Discussion not to treat made at the reporting facility
    - If the patient receives no treatment, either because the patient refuses recommended treatment, or a decision is made not to treat.
  - All/or part of first course treatment done elsewhere



- The CoC is aligned with the Joint Commission accreditation status for your hospital/facility.



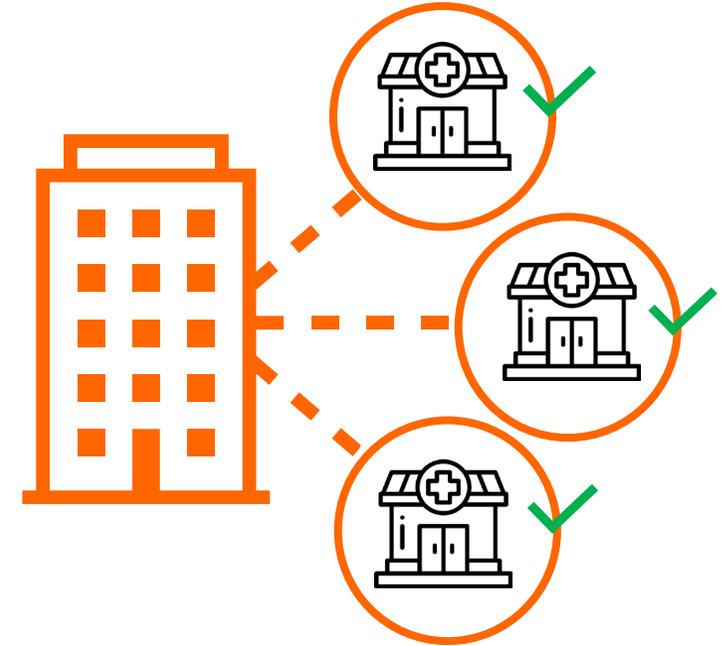
- Any services or facilities covered under your Joint Commission accreditation would then be covered under your CoC accreditation and you would be responsible for reporting the associated data that is reportable.

- **Remember:**

- A network clinic or outpatient center belonging to the facility is part of the facility.

- **However....**

- This is different from “**staff physician office**”. Treatment in **staff physician offices** is coded “**treated elsewhere**” because the hospital has no responsibility over this treatment.



Code	Label
Analytic Classes of Case (Required by CoC to be abstracted by accredited programs)	
<i>Initial diagnosis at reporting facility or in a staff physician's office</i>	
00	Initial diagnosis at the reporting facility AND all treatment or a decision not to treat was done elsewhere
10	Initial diagnosis at the reporting facility or in an office of a physician with admitting privileges AND part or all of first course treatment or a decision not to treat was at the reporting facility, NOS
11	Initial diagnosis in an office of a physician with admitting privileges AND part of first course treatment was done at the reporting facility
12	Initial diagnosis in an office of a physician with admitting privileges AND all first course treatment or a decision not to treat was done at the reporting facility
13	Initial diagnosis at the reporting facility AND part of first course treatment was done at the reporting facility; part of first course treatment was done elsewhere
14	Initial diagnosis at the reporting facility AND all first course treatment or a decision not to treat was done at the reporting facility

**Class of Case 00:** Reserved for patients who are originally diagnosed by the reporting facility and receive all their treatment elsewhere or a decision not to treat is made elsewhere.

- Analytic cases Class of Case 00 are not required to be staged or followed, regardless of the year of diagnosis.



**Class of Case 10: (NOS Code)** If there is no information about whether the patient was treated or where the patient was treated.

**Examples:**

- Patient is diagnosed at your facility. The patient does not return and there is no additional information on the patient's treatment.
- Patient is diagnosed at physician's office who has admitting privileges. The patient arrives at your facility and completes a round of chemotherapy. The patient does not return and there is no additional information on treatment.



## Class of Case 11 and 12:

**Diagnosed:** At an office of a physician with admitting privileges

### Treatment:

- **Class of Case 11:** Part of treatment at reporting facility
- **Class of Case 12:** All treatment or decision not to treat at reporting facility
  - **The *Date of First Contact*** is the date the patient reported to the reporting facility for the treatment

### Important:

When a staff physician performs a biopsy off site, and the specimen is **not** submitted to the facility to be read, the case is not required to be abstracted **unless** the patient receives some first course care at the facility.

- If the patient subsequently receives first course treatment at the facility, the case is analytic and must be abstracted and followed.



## Class of Case 13 and 14:

**Diagnosed:** At the reporting facility

### Treatment:

- **Class of Case 13:** Part of treatment at reporting facility
- **Class of Case 14:** All treatment or decision not to treat at reporting facility



<i>Initial diagnosis elsewhere</i>	
20	Initial diagnosis elsewhere AND all or part of first course treatment was done at the reporting facility, NOS
21	Initial diagnosis elsewhere AND part of first course treatment was done at the reporting facility; part of first course treatment was done elsewhere.
22	Initial diagnosis elsewhere AND all first course treatment or a decision not to treat was done at the reporting facility

- **Class of Case 20 – 22:**

- **Diagnosed:** Patient was initially diagnosed elsewhere
- **Treatment:** The reporting facility provided one or more of the following:
  - All of first course of treatment or
  - Part of first course of treatment or
  - The decision not to treat was done at the reporting facility



- **Class of Case 21**

- This included active surveillance and continuing care, even if there is no longer active disease

## **STORE Manual Page 126 (Bullet 2)**

- If the treatment the patient receives at your facility is part of the first course of treatment plan and is administered before disease progression or recurrence, this is an analytic case for your facility. For example, if a patient is diagnosed and treated at another facility and is started on hormone therapy at another facility and then presents to our facility with continuation of hormone therapy, if the first course of treatment plan includes tamoxifen for 5 years, assign class of case 21 (part of first course treatment elsewhere, part of first course of treatment at the reporting facility) even if there is no longer active disease.



# Nonanalytic Cases

## Class of Case 30-99

- **Nonanalytic cases are not usually included in routine treatment or survival statistics**
  - The CoC does not require registries in accredited programs to accession, abstract, or follow these cases, **but** the program (aka. Your facility) or central registry may require them.
- **Nonanalytic cases are distinguished by:**
  - If patient received care at the facility
  - If patient did not personally appear there



- **Patients who received care from the facility are distinguished by the reasons a case may not be analytic:**
  - Diagnosed prior to the program's reference date
  - Type of cancer that is not required by CoC to be abstracted
  - Consultation (getting a doctor's opinion)
  - In-transit care (visiting area)
  - Care for recurrent or persistent disease
    - Be careful with the word recurrent: Recurrent is when the patient was disease-free, and the cancer is from a previous cancer (Single Primary...follow Solid Tumor Rules)
- **Patients who did not receive care from the reporting facility are distinguished by**
  - Care given in one or more staff physician offices
  - Care given through an agency whose cancer cases are abstracted by the reporting facility but are not part of it
  - Pathology only cases
  - Death certificate only cases



Classes of Case not required by CoC to be abstracted (May be required by Cancer Committee, state or regional registry, or other entity)	
<i>Patient appears in person at reporting facility</i>	
30	Initial diagnosis and all first course treatment elsewhere AND reporting facility participated in diagnostic workup (for example, consult only, treatment plan only, staging workup after initial diagnosis elsewhere)
31	Initial diagnosis and all first course treatment elsewhere AND reporting facility provided in-transit care; or hospital provided care that facilitated treatment elsewhere (for example, stent placement)
32	Diagnosis AND all first course treatment provided elsewhere AND patient presents at reporting facility with disease recurrence or persistence (active disease)
33	Diagnosis AND all first course treatment provided elsewhere AND patient presents at reporting facility with disease history only (disease not active)
34	Type of case not required by CoC to be accessioned (for example, a benign colon tumor) AND initial diagnosis AND part or all of first course treatment by reporting facility
35	Case diagnosed before program's Reference Date AND initial diagnosis AND all or part of first course treatment by reporting facility
36	Type of case not required by CoC to be accessioned (for example, a benign colon tumor) AND initial diagnosis elsewhere AND all or part of first course treatment by reporting facility
37	Case diagnosed before program's Reference Date AND initial diagnosis elsewhere AND all or part of first course treatment by facility
38	Initial diagnosis established by autopsy at the reporting facility, cancer not suspected prior to death



<i>Patient does not appear in person at reporting facility</i>	
40	Diagnosis AND all first course treatment given at the same staff physician's office
41	Diagnosis and all first course treatment given in two or more different offices of physicians with admitting privileges
42	Nonstaff physician or non-CoC accredited clinic or other facility, not part of reporting facility, accessioned by reporting facility for diagnosis and/or treatment by that entity (for example, hospital abstracts cases from an independent radiation facility)
43	Pathology or other lab specimens only
49	Death certificate only
99	Nonanalytic case of unknown relationship to facility (not for use by CoC accredited cancer programs for analytic cases).



# STORE

Pages: 346-347

<b>Class of Case</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Items that Must Be Completed by Date Case Completed - CoC</b>
00-22	All analytic cases	Identification, demographic, diagnostic
10-22	Patient received part or all first course treatment from facility	Staging, hospital-specific treatment
<b>Class of Case</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Items that Must Be Completed by Date Case Completed - CoC</b>
10, 12, 14, 20, 22	Patient received all first course treatment from facility, or unspecified whether all or part	Summary treatment (treatment at any facility)
00	Patient diagnosed at facility, received all treatment elsewhere	NPI number for the facility the patient was referred to or a treating physician
20-22	Patient diagnosed elsewhere, received part or all of treatment from facility	NPI number for the facility the patient was referred to or from OR the physician who diagnosed or treated the patient



**Now let's test our knowledge!**

Go to Quiz 1: Class of Case

You have 10 minutes to complete

## Class of Case Quiz

Match the situation to the correct Class of Case from the choices listed below. Use each value once.

- a) Patient arrives at the ED of the reporting facility with difficulty breathing and they die. Autopsy reveals undiagnosed lung cancer.
- b) Diagnostic radiology at reporting facility identifies tumor in posterior fossa. Patient undergoes craniotomy at a different facility for removal of the hemangioblastoma.
- c) Patient diagnosed with colon cancer via a biopsy at the reporting facility, the patient does not return for further workup and/or treatment. No additional information is available.
- d) A cancer patient, who is in town visiting family, was admitted at the reporting facility for injuries sustained in a car accident and receives one of their chemotherapy treatments while an inpatient.
- e) During a colonoscopy, a patient has suspicious polyp removed, which turns out to be positive for in situ adenocarcinoma.
- f) A patient is diagnosed with pancreatic cancer at their local hospital, the patient has a Whipple procedure at reporting facility. The patient then returns home for adjuvant chemotherapy.
- g) Patient with a history of lung cancer of the left upper lobe and who had undergone a lobectomy, presents two years later with carcinoma of the left lung of the same histologic type.
- h) Patient diagnosed with breast cancer at outside facility and surgery is performed at reporting facility.

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20 H

21 F

31 D

32 G

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