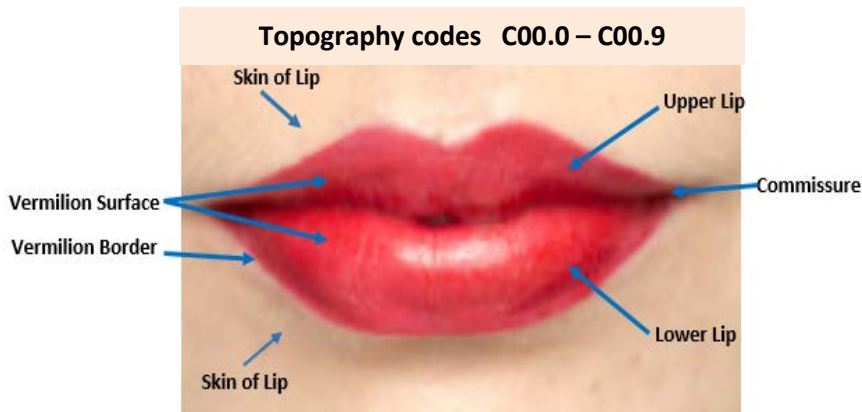


Cancer of the LIP & Reportability

1 Anatomy

- ◆ The **Lip** is the **vermillion** or pink/red portion of the lips which is well-defined into an upper and lower lip.
- ◆ The lips are joined at the **commissure**.
- ◆ The **labial mucosa** is the portion of lip just inside the mouth.
- ❖ Lip C00.0-C00.9 *excludes* skin of lip.
- ❖ Skin of lip *surrounding* the vermillion lip is topography code C44.0.

Anatomy of the Lip



2 Reportable vs Non Reportable:

REPORTABLE	NON-REPORTABLE
If Op or Path report states tumor location is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vermilion or vermillion border • Skin of lip with mention of vermillion • Mucosal Surface • Lip, NOS (upper or lower) • Inner aspect of upper or lower lip • Frenulum of upper or lower lip • Labial commissure • Commissure 	If Op or Path Report states: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skin of lip <i>without</i> mention of vermillion • Specimen is Dermis or Epidermis • Skin (NOS)
Histology is Squamous cell carcinoma (SCC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reportable for any of the above lip descriptions. 	Histology is Squamous cell ca (SCC) and site is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skin of lip
If the path gross description of specimen excised describes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mucosa, pink/red etc. 	If the path gross description of specimen excised describes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skin yellow/tan/brown, etc.
For overlapping tumors of skin of lip and vermillion lip: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If more than 50% of the lesion is on the vermillion. 	For overlapping tumors of skin of lip and vermillion lip: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If more than 50% of the lesion is on the skin of lip
Histology is Basal Cell Carcinoma (BCC) and tumor is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Definitively stated to be on the vermillion surface or border (very rare).</i> 	Histology is Basal Cell Carcinoma (BCC) and tumor site is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skin of lip or skin NOS -but presumably on face around lip somewhere.
If “Skin of Lip” C44.0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Histology is Melanoma or other reportable histology and <i>not</i> BCC or SCC 	❖ As a reminder BCC or SCC of skin in genital sites is reportable.
Recommended SINQ References for Review: 20150020; 20140040; 20091013; 20051049; 20031110	

3 When the tumor site of origin is unclear, the type of resection done may be a clue. If the MD performed a **“wedge resection”** this is a good indication the cancer arose in the vermillion or vermillion border of the lip and *not* the skin of the lip (unless stated specifically to have arisen in skin).