SEER*EDITS V6

Using the newly designed SEER*Edits software

SEER*Edits software is distributed by the SEER Program of the National Cancer Institute. Its primary purposes are to validate the cancer incidence data collected by the SEER registries and to generate standard submission reports. The software is distributed with the most recent version of the incidence data edits defined by the SEER Program and maintained by the NAACCR EDITS Committee.

Installing SEER*Edits 6
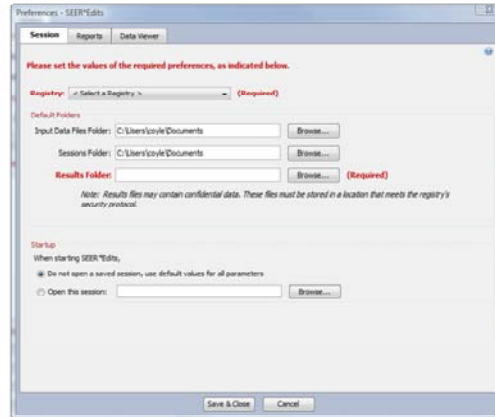
1. ## Uninstall SEER*Edits 5
   - This step is optional, but recommended.
   - Updates to the edits are available in the SEER*Edits software versions 6 and later. Version 5 has edits updated through Oct 2010 and does not include edit corrections or NAACCR 12.1 updates.

2. ## Download and Install SEER*Edits 6
   - The software is available on the SEER Submission Reports Portal

The edits provided in old versions of the SEER*Edits software are out of date. Version 5 has edits updated through Oct 2010 and does not include corrections; and it does not include revisions based on the release of NAACCR 12.1. SEER*Edits was completely re-written in version 6. The program is written in Java instead of C; and a new installation program is used. The new installation program will not auto-remove versions 5 or earlier. To prevent confusion, manually uninstall the SEER*Edits 5 before installing SEER*Edits 6. Instructions are available on the SEER*Edits portal page.

The SEER*Edits system preferences let you set default values for parameters and folders. This will save you time when you create and execute SEER*Edits sessions. Reports and output files will always be stored in the Results Folder specified in preferences. The result files may contain confidential data, therefore, you must specify a Results Folder that meets your registry's security protocols.
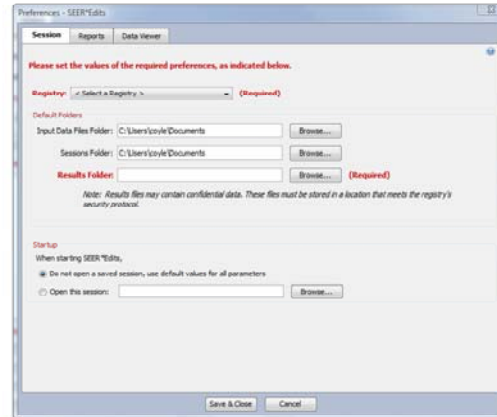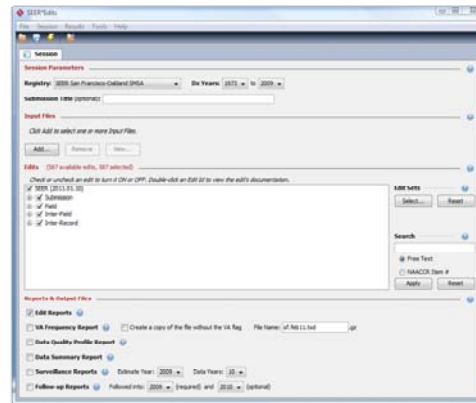
There are two options in the Startup section of the Preferences. You may start SEER*Edits using one of two options.   It is recommended that you set it to "use the default values for all parameters".   A new session will open each time you start SEER*Edits. Values defined in the Session preferences will be used by default.
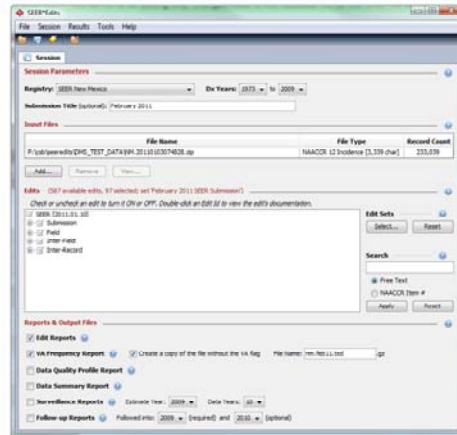
Create and execute a SEER*Edits session to validate data and generate reports.   You can view help text about each feature by clicking the help icons on the right-side of the screen.

--In the Session Parameters, the Registry and DX years will default to the values in System Preferences. The Submission Title will be used as a sub-title on many reports.
--Click Add to create a list of input files. Text, zip and gzip compressed text files are supported.
--You may run all SEER edits or ignore some of the edits by turning them OFF.   You may select a subset of edits by picking an Edit Set.   In this version, you can use pre-defined edit sets. You will be able to create and save edit sets in a future version.

This screen shot shows one example of using SEER*Edits to process data for a February SEER submission. In this example, the input file is a SEER*DMS extract file.
The incidence data file includes the coded value for the VA flag. The VA Frequency Report and a copy of the input file without the file will be created. The file without the VA flag is the file that will be submitted to SEER.

Executing a Session
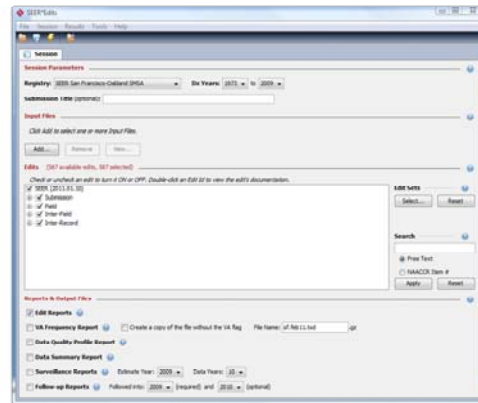
Click the lightning bold to execute the SEER*Edits session.

Click the lightning bolt in the toolbar to execute the session.   SEER*Edits will create a new tab with the Results.

The algorithms for each of the reports are documented in the SEER*Edits help system.