



# Cancer Reporting in California

## Appendix M

### Q-TIPS

## California Cancer Reporting System Standards, Volume I: Abstracting and Coding Procedures

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## Appendix M: Q-TIPS

CCR Education-Abstracting-Coding Quality tips or “Q-Tips” are educational handouts developed to provide educational quality tips which are topic specific (primary site, individual data items, histology codes, disease characteristics, etc.) in an effort to improve coding and abstracting.

Q-Tips are developed in collaboration between the following registries:

- California Cancer Registry
- Cancer Prevention Institute of California
- Cancer Registry of Greater California
- Cancer Surveillance Program

**Note:** CCR “Q-Tips” are not designed to provide complete training information for all data fields related to a specific primary site or topic, but instead, address only those topics or data items which have been identified as needing review and/or clarification. The CCR “Q-Tips” do not replace the need to use all the usual abstracting and coding references for data collection.

See [Q-Tips](#) for current and archived publications.