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Staff: The MCR boasts a well-trained and experienced staff that includes Certified Tumor Registrars with hospital-based registry experience. Staff members are encouraged to attend state, regional and national meetings to maintain an acceptable level of expertise.

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Training for long-term care facility staff: MCR will be offering training for non-hospital personnel who will be assisting in the reporting of cancer cases. For more information, please call

1-866-240-8809

(573-884-2491).

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Partnerships: In 1999, the Missouri Department of Health contracted with the University of Missouri to house and operate the MCR and the Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). Through this partnership, MCR is able to provide better service to reporting facilities, improved completeness and quality of data and increased opportunities for research.



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Cancer Reporting for Long-term Care Facilities in Missouri



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Services provided on a non-discriminatory basis

Reporting of cancer cases by Missouri hospitals became mandatory in 1984 when the State General Assembly passed a bill to require inpatient reporting by hospitals. Due to changes in the health care delivery system, an expanded cancer reporting law was enacted in 1999 (RSMo 192.650-192.657 and CSR 70-21.010). This statute requires that pathology laboratories, ambulatory surgery centers, free-standing cancer clinics and treatment centers, physicians and long-term care facilities (LTCFs) also report cancer cases. It also includes hospital outpatient cases.

By law, all of the more than 1200 long-term care facilities are required to report cases of cancer. However, based on analysis of death clearance data, we anticipate the majority of LTCF cancer cases will be residents of skilled nursing facilities. We realize that some facilities will seldom, if ever have cases to report.

Initiating Cancer Reporting

In order to assist you in reporting, MCR has made the LTCF manual and reporting forms available for download. These can be found on our website at <http://mcr.umh.edu/> under 'Cancer Reporting' – 'Non-hospital.'

LTCF staff may also call a special toll-free number (866-240-8809) for questions or additional assistance in establishing cancer-reporting policies and procedures or for assistance in completing a patient reporting form.

How do we know which patients to report?

To comply with the requirements of the law, facilities *must* report:

- A patient diagnosed with cancer while residing in that institution
- A patient receiving cancer-directed treatment (radiation, chemotherapy, etc.) while residing in that institution
- A patient diagnosed with a recurrence while residing at that facility
- Patients identified through the death clearance process

In addition, facilities may voluntarily report:

- Upon admission, a patient previously diagnosed with cancer but receiving no treatment, even though there is active disease
- Upon death, a patient with cancer or a history of cancer not reported on the basis of the mandatory requirements