Coding Guidelines
MELANOMA
C440-C449 with Histology 8720-8780

Reportability
In situ melanoma, including early or evolving in situ melanoma, is reportable
Early or evolving melanoma is **not** reportable

Thickness (Depth) in millimeters (mm)
[Based on information provided by the Seattle/Puget Sound SEER Registry]

When thickness/depth is less than 1 mm, code with a leading zero in the form 0XX. The implied decimal point is between the first and second digits.

Examples

Thickness/Depth	Code
0.22 mm	022
.75 mm	075

When thickness/depth is recorded as a decimal point followed by one digit, code with a zero to the left before the decimal point and a zero to the right after the digit.

Examples

Thickness/Depth	Code
.2 mm	020
.7 mm	070

When thickness/depth is more than 1 mm (100) but less than 9.79 mm, multiply the depth by 100 and record the value.

Examples

Thickness/Depth	Code
1 mm	100
2.7 mm	270
2.05 mm	205

When thickness/depth is 9.8 mm or greater, code 980.

Examples

Thickness/Depth	Code
9.8 mm	980
10 mm	980
11.2 mm	980

Appendix C: Surgery Codes