

A summary of the main changes, and some smaller but tricky changes

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Neuroendocrine tumours

Nearly all neuroendocrine tumours are now behaviour 3.

- In the 3-digit group 815 the only remaining non-malignant terms are under 8150/0.
- In the 3-digit group 824 the only remaining non-malignant terms are under 8245/1 and 8248/1.
- In the 3-digit group 868–870 the only remaining non-malignant term is under 8683/0.

Use of the word “carcinoma” with behaviour 1

Two terms that contain the word “carcinoma” have behaviour 1.

- 8323/1 Clear cell papillary renal cell carcinoma (C64.9) – This is a new term.
- 8335/1 Follicular carcinoma, encapsulated, NOS (C73.9) – This was /3 in 3.1.

Cystic, mucinous and serous neoplasms

This section (844–849) has undergone extensive rearrangement. Eighteen terms have changed their first 4 digits. No terms have changed behaviour but note the following.

- Serous borderline tumour, micropapillary variant is a new term that is coded as 8460/2. This would have been recorded as serous borderline tumour 8442/1 in ICD-O-3.1.
- Serous tubal intraepithelial carcinoma (STIC) is a new term that is coded as 8441/2.

Pleomorphic lobular carcinoma (in situ)

The invasive and non-invasive versions of this neoplasm have different 4-digit codes.

- 8519/2 Lobular carcinoma in situ, pleomorphic (C50._).
- 8520/3 Lobular carcinoma, pleomorphic (C50._).

Thymomas

Nearly all thymomas (858) are now behaviour 3. The only remaining non-malignant terms are under 8580/0, 8580/1 and 8587/0.

Dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans

The two codes for this neoplasm, 8832/3 and 8833/3, have changed behaviour from 3 to 1. This will render such neoplasms out of scope for most registries. However, two new malignant terms, i.e. in scope, have been introduced under 8832/3.

Old code	Term	New code
8832/3	Dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans, NOS (C44._) Dermatofibrosarcoma, NOS (C44._)	Moved to /1
8833/3	Pigmented dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans (C44._) Bednar tumor (C44._)	Moved to /1
None *	Dermatofibrosarcoma protuberans, fibrosarcomatous (C44._) Dermatofibrosarcoma, sarcomatous (C44._)	8832/3

* These terms were not listed in ICD-O-3.1 but would have been coded as 8832/3 because the “NOS” versions were listed under 8832/3.

Gastrointestinal stromal tumours

All GIST terms are now malignant (8936/3).

Haemangiopericytoma merged with solitary fibrous tumour

9150 (haemangiopericytoma) has been deleted and all terms moved to 8815 (solitary fibrous tumour).

Ewing sarcoma

Ewing sarcoma (9260/3) has moved to, and is now the preferred term for, 9364/3 (peripheral neuroectodermal tumour). Note, though, that the 4-digit code 9260 has not been deleted because a new term has been introduced under 9260/0.

Introduction of several new /1 codes in the haematological section

- New terms have been introduced under the new codes 9591/1, 9673/1, 9680/1, 9695/1, 9702/1, 9761/1 and 9823/1.
- 9725/3 and 9971/3 have changed behaviour from 3 to 1.
- Some, but not all, terms from existing /3 codes have been moved to new /1 codes: one term has moved from 9709/3 to /1, two terms have moved from 9718/3 to /1, and three terms have moved from 9751/3 to /1.

Consolidation of some paired leukaemia/lymphoma codes

- CLL/SLL: 9670/3 deleted. Terms moved to 9823/3.
- B lymphoblastic leukaemia/lymphoma, NOS: 9728/3 and 9836/3 deleted. Terms moved to 9811/3.
- T lymphoblastic leukaemia/lymphoma: 9729/3 deleted. Term moved to 9837/3.
- Burkitt (cell) lymphoma/leukaemia: 9826/3 deleted. Terms moved to 9687/3.

Grades for lymphomatoid granulomatosis

Grades have been introduced for this term (9766). Grades 1 and 2 have behaviour 1 while grade 3 has been assigned to the new 5-digit code 9766/3.

See also

See also the section “Site-specific changes of behaviour” in the document “Terms that are changing behaviour”.