

**PROVINCIAL STANDARD FOR ABSTRACTING PRACTICES
RELATED TO
ADMISSION FOR ADMINISTRATION OF CHEMOTHERAPY, PHARMACOTHERAPY AND
RADIATION THERAPY**

Approved by the
Provincial Health Information Management Leadership Committee
May 17, 2022

EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2022 DISCHARGES

Effective April 1, 2022 for discharges in NL facilities, it will remain **mandatory** to collect the disease/condition for admissions solely for chemotherapy for non-malignant conditions.

Prior to 2022-23 the *Canadian Coding Standards* directive statement for Admission of Chemotherapy, Pharmacotherapy and Radiation Therapy for collection of the disease/condition for admission solely for chemotherapy for a non-malignant condition was:

- DN** When a patient previously diagnosed with a **non-malignant condition** has an encounter solely for the administration of chemotherapy, assign
- Z51.2 *Other chemotherapy* as the MRDx/main problem; or
 - Z51.2 *Other chemotherapy* as a diagnosis type (1)/other problem when a post-admit condition arises during the episode of care and meets the criteria for MRDx/main problem.
- DN** Assign an additional code to identify the disease/condition, **mandatory**, as a diagnosis type (3)/other problem.

The *Canadian Coding Standards v2022* directive statement for Admission of Chemotherapy, Pharmacotherapy and Radiation Therapy for collection of the disease/condition for admission solely for chemotherapy for a non-malignant condition was amended to:

- DN** When a patient previously diagnosed with a **non-malignant condition** has an encounter solely for the administration of chemotherapy, assign
- Z51.2 *Other chemotherapy* as the MRDx/main problem; or
 - Z51.2 *Other chemotherapy* as a diagnosis type (1)/other problem when a post-admit condition arises during the episode of care and meets the criteria for MRDx/main problem.
- DN** Assign an additional code to identify the disease/condition, **optional**, as a diagnosis type (3)/other problem based on the facility's data needs.

This change in direction by making the disease/condition an optional diagnosis type 3 limits its use in data analysis. After review and discussions with the Provincial Coding Committee, Newfoundland and Labrador will adopt a provincial variation to the *Canadian Coding Standards v2022* and continue to collect this information on the abstract as was the case prior to 2022-23.

Questions regarding this Standard can be directed to:

Health Information Standards and Quality Division
Data and Information Services
Newfoundland and Labrador Centre for Health Information
70 O'Leary Avenue
St. John's, NL A1B 2C7
www.nlchi.nl.ca

Master Index Reference No. 2022-01
Issued: May 17, 2022

Distribution: Provincial HIM Leadership Committee, Provincial Coding Committee, NLCHI and CIHI