Utah Cancer Registry Operations

Cases and cancer data provided by:

- **Hospitals**
  - Identify new cases
  - Provide diagnosis, treatment, and survival information (follow patients yearly to determine survival)

- **Physicians**
  - Identify new cases
  - Provide information on initial diagnosis and treatment
  - Provide data on follow-up treatment
  - Provide survival data

- **Pathology Laboratories**
  - Identify cases not hospitalized
  - Confirm diagnosis
  - Provide information on extent of disease
  - Provide data on cell types, etc.

- **Radiation Centers**
  - Provide treatment data

- **Nursing Homes**
  - Identify nursing home cases
  - Provide diagnostic, treatment, and survival data

- **Department of Vital Statistics**
  - Identify deaths from cancer
  - Provide demographic data on cases

- **Other State Registries**
  - Identify residents diagnosed out of state
  - Provide diagnostic, treatment, and survival data

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- Coordinates all data sources
- Merges duplicate documents
- Follows hard-to-locate cases
- Uniformly codes all data
- Quality controls all data
- Maintains analytical computer program
- Maintains current census data
- Submits annual data tapes (without confidential information) to the National Cancer Institute’s SEER Program and NAACCR for use in national data bases
- Graphically presents data
- Creates reports

Services provided to:

- **Hospitals**
  - Statistical reports as requested
  - Patient follow-up data
  - Special reports such as time trends
  - Training of cancer registrars
  - Quality control of all cancer information
  - Rocky Mountain Cancer Data Systems (RMCDS) software as needed

- **Physicians**
  - Letters to remind physicians to follow patients not seen for one year or longer
  - Reports listing all information for each physicians’ patients
  - Special reports as requested

- **SEER and NAACCR Programs**
  - Diagnostic, treatment, survival, and demographic data on all patients (names are not submitted)
  - Publications and newsletters

- **Community Members**
  - Education
  - Special reports as requested

- **Research Studies**
  - Descriptive statistics of cancer in Utah
  - Diagnostic, treatment, and survival information for patients under special study for etiology of disease
  - Data to link pedigrees for genetic research (Utah Population Database)

- **Utah Health Agencies**
  - Data to be used in planning chronic disease prevention and control programs
  - Data regarding cancer clusters
  - Publications and reports

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