

# 2023 Call for Data Complete Q & A

## Q. Will GenEDITS ever be included in vendor software, to eliminate this step?

A. This is not a CRStar software and as such cannot be integrated into the Cancer Registry Software.

# Q. How do you know a number is invalid (NPI and FIN)?

A. Numbers with special characters or spaces will be invalid. Verify CoC FIN and NPI through www.npidb.org and the CoC Datalinks Facility Page.

#### O. Do we have to use v22 edits?

A. CRStar will not be updated to version 23 until after the completion of the 2023 Call for Data. As a result, the data file export will be in version 22, therefore the v22b metafile should be used.

# Q. This is our first year. Do we pull for our reference year and forward?

A. This will depend on the reference year for your facility. You will choose 2007 or your reference year, whichever is more recent. For example, if your reference year is 2020 then you will select 2020.

# Q. Is it best to use the automatically generated population or to select the population manually?

A. ERS has automated the process of selecting your population for the NCDB Call for Data, so you do not need to manually select the population. If you have a larger volume and you want to break it down by year while clearing edits this can be done, but we would recommend using the automatically generated population for submission.

## Q. Will v23 be ready before March 1st?

A. In order to reduce the potential for issues during the Call for Data window, ERS will not be updating the database to v23 until after the Call for Data has been completed.

#### Q. What version of GenEDITS do I need to download?

A. Please reference the CoC's Call for data website to determine the most up to date software. As of the time of this webinar the most up to date version is GenEDITS Plus 5.1.1.1.

https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer-programs/national-cancer-database/ncdb-call-for-data/

# Q. Will GenEdits 5.1.1.1 be used going forward for RCRS submissions?

A. Please refer to the CoC regarding RCRS submissions. GenEdits 5.1.1.1 is the most up to date version of the software, however, this could be updated in the future.

# Q. What version of NAACCR metafile for this year?

A. NAACCR edits don't have to be run for the Call for Data. Files should clear NCDB edits. Please check the NAACCR website for the most up-to-date versions of metafiles.

https://www.naaccr.org/standard-data-edits/

# Q. If my reference year is 2006 do I use 2007 for this submission?

A. For your submission you will use 2007 and forward due to this being a more recent year than your reference year.

# Q. Can the files be saved in Microsoft Teams, to the cloud, or do they need to be saved in the regular network drives?

A. Please reach out to your IT department regarding the location where they allow PHI to be stored. The CDC can assist with any questions regarding the GenEDITS Plus 5 software capabilities.

#### Q. Do we need to do both name/DOB and SSN database validation?

A. It is at the discretion of the registry how they would like to do the database validation. Preference should be given to the historic accuracy of the fields.

# Q. Do we use the old reports feature, or do we use the new CRStar Reporting Module?

A. NCDB exports can be performed from either reporting section.