## CALIFORNIA CANCER REGISTRY DATA STANDARDS AND QUALITY CONTROL UNIT

## DATA ALERT DA 2011-013

## **Text Documentation Reminder**

Just a reminder that codes must be supported by text documentation on the abstract. Text must support all coded data items and must be entered in a clear and concise manner.

Reference: Volume I, Section I.1.6.3 and Section IV.1.1

A discrepancy will result if a code is not supported by documentation on the abstract.

**Example**: The abstract has the tumor size coded as 024, but there is no mention of the tumor size anywhere in the text of the abstract. Tumor size will be changed to 999 and this will be counted as a discrepancy.

**Reference:** CCR General Visual Editing Guidelines, DSQC Memo 2000-03

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