

Answers and Rationale – Colon
 2007 Advanced Training on the Multiple Primary and Histology Coding Rules
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Case #	Multiple Primary		Histology			
	Rationale and Process	MP	Rationale and Process 1	Code 1	Rationale and Process 2	Code 2
Practice Case	Rationale: Multiple benign polyps. One tumor.	No	Rationale: Use final diagnosis and comment. Probable is an acceptable ambiguous term (pg. 14)	8574/3	Rationale:	
	Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start and stop with M2, single primary.		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H11 (or H13). Single histologic type, combination code (Adenocarcinoma and Neuro-endocrine differentiation)		Process:	
1	Rationale: Multiple polyps, all benign. Two separate tumor masses	Yes	Rationale: Cecum Most representative specimen is pathology report #2	8140/3	Rationale: Ascending Colon Most representative specimen is pathology report #2. Use final diagnosis and comments. Consistent with is an acceptable ambiguous term (pg 14)	8210/3
	Process: Use Multiple Tumors module. Start with M3, stop at M4 multiple primaries.		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H11. One histologic type		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H4. Adenocarcinoma in a polyp.	
2	Rationale: Two large lesions in different segments of the colon	Yes	Rationale: Hepatic flexure Most representative specimen is pathology report #2	8210/3	Rationale: Splenic flexure Most representative specimen is pathology report #2. Reference to signet rings cells is not the same as signet ring cell carcinoma	8140/3
	Process: Use Multiple Tumors module. Start with M3, stop at M4, multiple primaries.		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H4.		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H11.	
3	Rationale: Oncology consult states previous cancer diagnosed in 2003. Assume this case is already in the registry. Use 2007 MP/H rules to evaluate the 2007 tumor	Yes	Rationale: 2003 tumor already abstracted and in the registry.	8140/3	Rationale:	

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	Process: Use Multiple Tumors module. Start with M3, stop at M5, multiple primaries.		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start and stop with H1. Use documentation referring to biopsy findings of adenocarcinoma		Process:	
4	Rationale: Three separate tumors, <i>all</i> in Sigmoid colon, two originating in polyps, one mass with no mention of previous polyp	No	Rationale: This mass started in the wall of the colon	8140/3	Rationale:	
	Process: Use Multiple Tumors module. Start with M3, stop at M7, single primary		Process: Use Multiple Tumors module. Start with H15, stop at H20. Do not stop at H19 – not just polyps.		Process:	
5	Rationale: Carcinoid component not in appendix, but next to appendiceal stump (hx of appendectomy).	No	Rationale: Most representative specimen is pathology report is #2. Use final diagnosis and comments.	8244/3	Rationale:	
	Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start and stop with M2, single primary		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H9.		Process:	
6	Rationale: Single tumor	No	Rationale: Code from final diagnosis.	8480/3	Rationale:	
	Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start and stop with M2, single primary		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H5.		Process:	
7	Rationale: Colon and rectosigmoid tumors. Do not use colon rules to code rectosigmoid lesion. Use the “Other sites” rules	No (for colon)	Rationale: Most representative specimen is Pathology report #2. Code from final diagnosis and reference to polyp.	8210/3	Rationale:	
	Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start and stop with M2, single primary.		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H4.		Process:	

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8	Rationale: Single tumor	No	Rationale: Use final diagnosis including reference to pre-existing polyp.	8210/3	Rationale:	
	Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start and stop with M2, single primary		Process: Use Single tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H4.		Process:	
9	Rationale: Single tumor	No	Rationale: Use the final diagnosis: "Mucinous adenocarcinoma"	8480/3	Rationale:	
	Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start and stop with M2, single primary		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H5.		Process:	
10	Rationale: Two separate tumors in different areas of the colon	Yes	Rationale: Sigmoid colon Code from the final diagnosis. "Areas of mucin production" is not mucinous carcinoma (pg 31).	8140/3	Rationale: Descending colon Code from the final diagnosis	8140/3
	Process: Use Multiple Tumors module. Start with M3, stop at M4, multiple primaries.		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H11.		Process: Use Single Tumor module. Start with H1, stop at H11.	