

Hospital Registrars:

As you know, the LTR has begun using new software, WebPlus, for transmitting cases to the LTR secure website. This software was developed by the CDC specifically for cancer registries, and it has worked well for those Louisiana hospitals that have tried it. If, however, you encounter problems, Brent is always willing to help.

A feature of WebPlus that was missing from its predecessors is the ability to run routine edits on all cases that are submitted. As soon as you transmit cases, you will receive an error report. Please be sure you make the appropriate corrections in your own database. Do not resubmit the corrected cases at this point. After a few months, however, we will return new abstracts that don't pass the edits. We'll let you know when.

These edits are the standard NPCR (CDC) edits, as well as a small number of SEER edits. We have run your cases through these edits for quite a while now, and you will possibly recognize the edits based on questions we've asked in the past. Will the online edits add more work to your already busy day? They shouldn't, as long as you adjust your abstracting in response to edits that you receive during the next few months.