

## Instructions on How to Include Non-Standard Data Items

For the December 2023 NAACCR Call for Data, the following non-standard fields are requested and require an extra step to be properly read by NAACCR\*Prep:

- microMatchStatus (NAACCR CiNA Submission)
- penaltyCode (NAACCR CiNA Submission)
- restrictedRelease (NAACCR VPR-CLS File)—only for registries that have not implemented the v23 variables: [#1854 Patient No Contact Flag](#) and [#1856 Reporting Facility Restriction Flag](#).
- RegistryDefinedTumorId (NAACCR VPR-CLS File—only for NCCR registries that do not use Tumor Record ID (Item #60)

### **NAACCR CiNA Submission Variables:**

The two fields are:

- microMatchStatus
- penaltyCode

Each of these fields is produced by the [NAACCR Geocoder](#) software.

### **Steps:**

1. Run the NAACCR Geocoder on your data.
2. The Geocoder will produce the microMatchStatus and penaltyCode fields
3. If you use an API to run the geocoder, these fields should be in your registry data and can be included in your standard submission file. These non-standard fields will be defined in your data dictionary, and you need to provide the location of the dictionary to NAACCR\*Prep.
  - a. Use the XML-definitions provided below.
4. Your data system should output the XML user dictionary alongside your submission XML file.
5. Provide NAACCR\*Prep the location of your XML user dictionary (see last page for for a screenshot) on the Execution Tab, *Specify the input file user dictionaries*
  - a. You can press the browse button more than once to select multiple suer dictionaries.
6. That's it!

### **XML Definitions:**

```
<ItemDef naaccrId="microMatchStatus"  
  naaccrNum="9595"  
  naaccrName="Micro Match Status"  
  length="1"  
  recordTypes="A,M,C,I"  
  parentXmlElement="Tumor"  
  dataType="alpha"/>
```

```
<ItemDef naaccrId="penaltyCode"  
  naaccrNum="9596"  
  naaccrName="Penalty Code"  
  length="14"  
  recordTypes="A,M,C,I"  
  parentXmlElement="Tumor"
```

dataType="mixed"/>

**NOTE:** If you geocode your data in batches using our on-line system, you will need to submit these variables as a separate csv file (a modified version of the standard csv export out of the NAACCR Geocoder) and do not need to use these directions.

### **NAACCR VPR-CLS Submission Variable:**

The 2 fields are:

- restrictedRelease
- RegistryDefinedTumorId

In previous years, if a registry had a field for non-releasable cases, it was placed in the State/Requestor Items [NAACCR Item #2220]; however, this field no longer exists as of v22. There are two new field for flagging this cases in v23: [#1854 Patient No Contact Flag](#) and [#1856 Reporting Facility Restriction Flag](#). **If a registry has not implemented the v23 fields**, below are the steps for a temporary workaround for this year. If your registry has implemented the v23 variables, #1854 & #1856, there is no need to include this non-standard data item in the VPR-CLS linkage file.

**If you are an NCCR that registry does not use Tumor Record ID [Item #60] as a static identifier for a tumor**, their registry-defined field for tracking static tumor identifier should be placed in the Registry Defined Tumor ID field [user defined, #9701] when the VPR-CLS linkage file is created.

### **Steps:**

1. Place the information you previously placed into the State/Requestor items field into a new tumor level user-defined field we are calling "restrictedRelease".
  - a. Use the XML-definition provided below.
2. Your data system should output the XML user dictionary alongside your submission XML file.
3. Provide NAACCR\*Prep the location of your XML user dictionary (see last page for a screenshot) on the Execution Tab, *Specify the input file user dictionaries*
  - a. You can press the browse button more than once to select multiple suer dictionaries.
4. Please refer to the detailed *VPR-CLS Instructions* for full instructions on VPR-CLS file creation and documentation.
5. That's it!

### **XML Definitions:**

```
<ItemDef naaccrId="restrictedRelease"  
  naaccrNum="9700"  
  naaccrName="Restricted Release"  
  length="1000"  
  recordTypes="A,M,C,I"  
  parentXmlElement="Tumor"/>
```

```
<ItemDef naaccrId="registryDefinedTumorId"  
  naaccrNum="9701"  
  naaccrName="Registry Defined Tumor ID"  
  length="25"
```

```
recordTypes="A,M,C,I"  
parentXmlElement="Tumor"/>
```

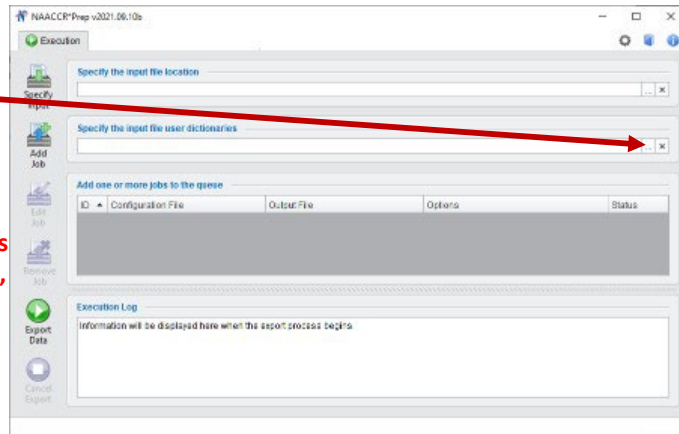


2. Provide the location of your XML user dictionaries.

**If your input file contains nonstandard items that are being collected by NAACCR or VPR and any of these items cannot be calculated by NAACCR\*Prep, then you MUST perform this step.**

The non-standard items that fall into this category this submission include the following:

- microMatchStatus (NAACCR)
- penaltyCode (NAACCR)
- restrictedRelease (VPR)



*Note: You can press the browse button more than once to select multiple user dictionaries.*