

# California Cancer Registry

## Production Automation and Quality Control Unit

### Data Alert DA 2013-014

**ATTENTION: ACoS approved facilities**  
**Revised**  
*(Data Alert DA 2013-013 rescinded)*

The CoC Source (October 2013), Standard 5.2 indicates:

"The abstracting timeliness standard was retired beginning with the 2013 cases in preference for on-time submission of the annual caseload to the National Cancer Data Base (NCDB) during the annual call for data. Standard 5.2 has been changed to a commendation-only standard for RQRS participation."

As a reminder, the COC standard does NOT affect the regulations governing the reporting law in California which states, "Cancer reporting facilities shall report to their regional registry each reportable case within six months of the time the case comes under the care of, or is admitted to, the facility."

Please note that all reporting facilities regardless of their ACoS affiliation are held to the California standard of reporting cancer cases within six months of the time the case comes under the care of, or is admitted to, the facility.

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