

**WAC 246-102-001 Purpose.** The purpose of the Washington state cancer registry is to monitor the incidence of cancer in the state and report applicable limited data according to federal requirements. Information collected through the cancer registry system is used by research and public health professionals to understand, control and reduce occurrences of cancer in residents of Washington. This chapter establishes the criteria for identifying and reporting cancer cases. It also defines the standards for access and release of cancer case information.

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