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Dear:

The NAACCR Research and Data Use Steering Committee, the CiNA Production Workgroup, and the Certification Workgroup invite you to submit incident cancer cases from your registry, for the years 1995 through 2016, to be used for cancer statistics, surveillance, and approved research projects and activities.

The data submission deadline is midnight EST on **Monday, December 3, 2018** for the data files and all forms and supporting documentation.

All data must be submitted using the NAACCR Record Layout, Version 16 and should be sent as an .xml file format. If your registry is not able to submit in Version 16 or in an .xml format, please contact Reinda Sherman at rsherman@naaccr.org. All variables must conform to NAACCR standard definitions and codes, as described in Volume II Version 16 of the NAACCR Standards for Cancer Registries: Data Standards and Data Dictionary.

Preparation procedures for the NAACCR Call for Data have been revised again this year to coordinate as closely as practical with the NPCR call and to eliminate a need for multiple edit runs when submitting to both NPCR and NAACCR.

A utility program, *NAACCRprep*, has been developed that consolidates a number of file preparation steps. It is designed to derive the NAPIIA and NHIA variables, Rural Urban Continuum codes, Census Tract Poverty Indicator fields (for U.S. registries), and calculate a length of survival variable for all registries.

In addition, NAACCR is requesting that registries also include 2017 cases in their submission file. The 2017 cases will be used for evaluation purposes only and will not impact inclusion in CINA or Certification. NAACCR is also requesting the submission of the VPR-CLS file. Detailed instructions are on the submission website. And, finally, after submission is complete, NAACCR requests each registry complete the new CaRRI (Cancer Registry Research Information) database. This replaces the RRIDB data collection tool used previously.

All materials and instructions for the NAACCR Call for Data are posted on the NAACCR Website and are now available for download. To access these files, go to the Call for Data page, located at this address:

<http://www.naaccr.org/DataandPublications/CallforData.aspx>

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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