



Collaborative Stage  
Data Collection System

# CS Moments

CS v02.05

## Discontinued Site-Specific Factors

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# Why Discontinued SSFs

- SSFs never required by any standard-setter
- AJCC 7<sup>th</sup> ed included as significant in patient care
- Very little data available, collected by few facilities
- Not enough data for national analysis & conclusions
- Not discontinued due to quality of data
  - Strictly a quantity issue

# Usefulness of Discontinued SSFs

- Useful for many individual facilities
  - Physician or cancer center interest
  - Monitor use in facility
  - Monitor effect on patient care, treatment choices
- SSFs will remain in registry database
  - Individual facilities may continue to use
- Future data
  - May prove need for this information
  - May be collected by specialized facilities

Discontinued SSF

# Resources for Discontinued SSFs

- No longer use national resources
  - CAnswer Forum will not address these issues
- Focus limited resources/efforts on required SSFs
  - CAnswer Forum will provide answers
- Individual facility questions
  - Discuss with Cancer Committee or specialty physicians
  - Decide on policy for your facility

# References

- List of Discontinued SSF
- CS Announcement of Discontinued SSF
  - Distributed 7/22/13
- Available on <https://cancerstaging.org/cstage/>

# CAnswer Forum

- Submit questions to CS Forum
  - Located within the CAnswer Forum
  - Provides information for all
  - Allows tracking for educational purposes
- <http://cancerbulletin.facs.org/forums/>



# You Tube – AJCC Channel

- Short 5-15 minute videos
- AJCC and CS topics
- Cover important concepts
- Posted on CS Web page
- <http://www.youtube.com/AJCCancer>





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