



Module 1

Introduction



- Provide an overview of AJCC staging
 - Background materials to explain
 - Why Staging is performed
 - How Staging is used
 - Broad discussion of staging
 - Classifications
 - T, N, and M categories
 - Stage Group
 - Terminology differences
 - Physician manuals and patient care
 - Registry manuals and surveillance community
 - Link to additional material
 - Quiz

Learning Objectives

- Describe intent and purpose of AJCC staging
- Identify uses of AJCC staging
- Demonstrate correct usage of classifications
- Recognize basic principles of T, N, and M categories
- Recognize meaning of stage groups
- Analyze AJCC manual and physician terminology intent
- Utilize additional materials
- Evaluate self-guided learning through quiz



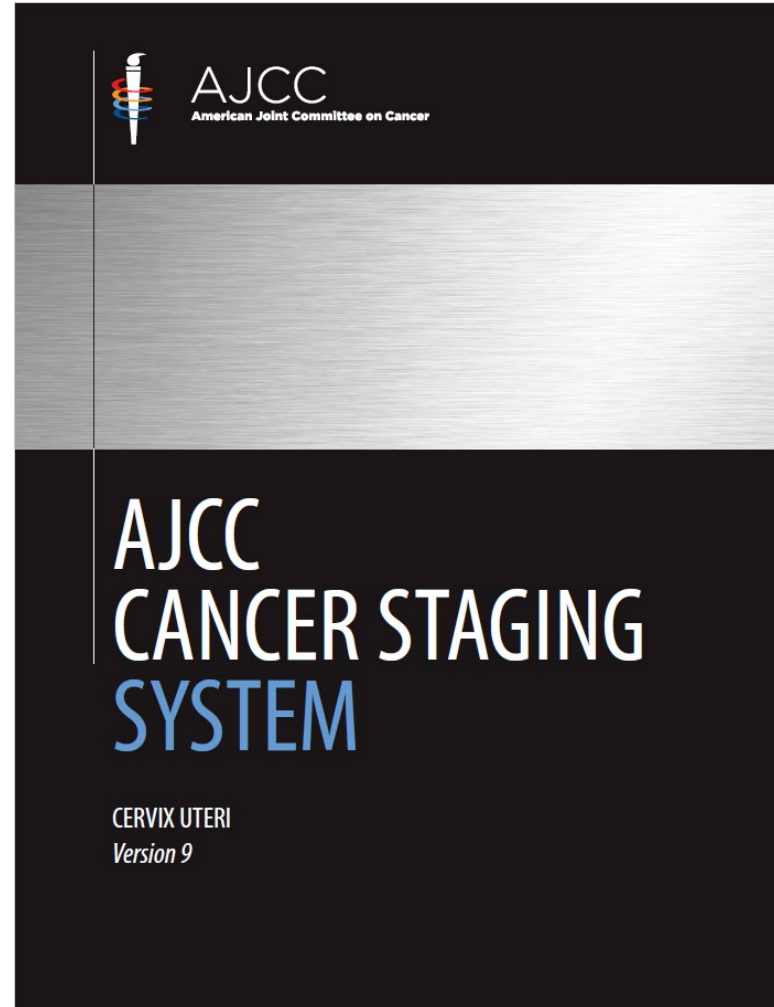
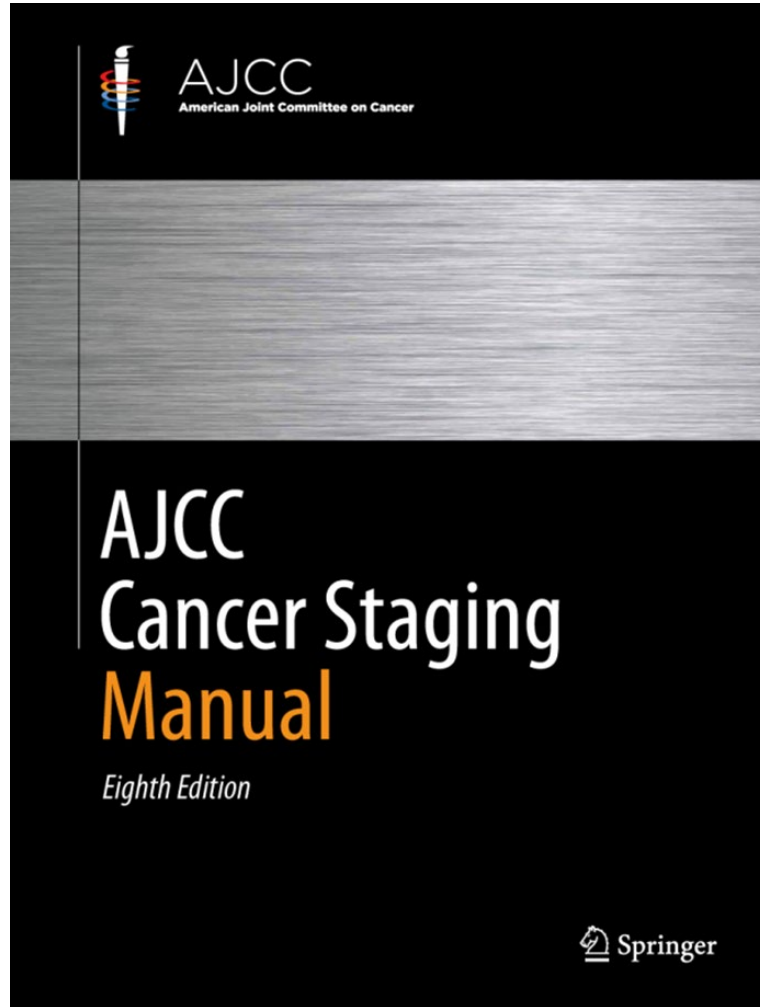
Information and Questions of AJCC Staging

- <https://cancerstaging.org>
- <https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer/ajcc>
- Cancer Staging Education menu includes
 - 8th Edition Staging Rules
 - Staging Moments
 - 15 case-based presentations in cancer conference format to promote accurate staging with answers and rationales
 - Cancer Registrar Education
 - AJCC 8th Edition Staging Critical Clarifications for Registrars
 - 1-page staging rules resource
 - In Situ Neoplasia
 - Node Status
 - Timing is Everything - Staging Classifications
 - AJCC 8th Edition Webinars
 - AJCC Version 9 Webinars
 - Physicians
 - Free webinars on staging rules and some disease sites
 - Articles on AJCC staging in various medical journals

- Submit questions to AJCC Forum
 - Located within CAnswer Forum
 - Provides information for all
 - Allows tracking for educational purposes
- Special AJCC sub-forums for staging education questions
- <http://cancerbulletin.facs.org/forums/>



AJCC Staging Manual and System





Summary

- Articulate intent and purpose of AJCC staging
- Describe uses of AJCC staging
- Recognize basic principles
 - Classifications
 - T, N, and M categories
 - Stage groups
- Interpret terminology as intended
- Validate lessons
 - Additional materials
 - Quiz



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