

What is the Vermont Cancer Registry?

The Vermont Cancer Registry (VCR) is Vermont's statewide population-based cancer surveillance system.

The registry collects data about all cancers and all benign brain tumors diagnosed in Vermont.

VCR is part of a statewide effort to reduce the impact of cancer on individuals, families and communities in Vermont.

Information in the registry is kept confidential.

The identities of patients, physicians and facilities are protected by law.

The Vermont Cancer Registry was created in 1993 by Title 18, Section 152(a) of the Vermont Statutes Annotated (VSA). This law required the Health Commissioner to create a statewide population-based cancer registry system.

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<http://healthvermont.gov/health-statistics-vital-records/registries/cancer>

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Reporting Cancer Cases

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Why does the Vermont Department of Health track cancer?

Cancer is the leading cause of death in Vermont, causing nearly one-quarter of all deaths in the state.

Understanding more about the pattern of where and when cancer occurs in Vermont will lead to better prevention and better access to care.

How does the VCR collect information?

The VCR obtains cancer data from health care providers in two ways:

Active reporting: Your office finds a new diagnosis of cancer and sends in a completed form.

Passive reporting: The VCR finds a new diagnosis of cancer that may have occurred at your office and sends a specific form for your staff to complete.

The VCR needs your help to track cancer in Vermont.

What information does the VCR collect?

- Demographic data like age and race
- Administrative data like where the cancer was first diagnosed
- Diagnostic data like the type of cancer and size of the tumor
- Treatment data about the first course of treatment the patient received

Do I need to complete a form?

If you **diagnose or treat** a patient with cancer or with a benign brain or central nervous system tumor, and the patient is **not** seen at a Vermont hospital for that cancer or tumor, you are **required by law** to report the cancer or tumor to the VCR within 180 days of diagnosis.

You do **not** need to report:

- Non-melanoma skin cancer
- Intraepithelial neoplasia of cervix
- Progression or recurrence of known cancer or tumor

How can I get a form?

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How do I complete the form?

Please fill out a form when cancer is **diagnosed for the first time** at your office or when you treat a patient for a new diagnosis of cancer.

For multiple choice items, circle the word or phrase that applies.

For demographic information like name and address, you may use a pre-printed sticker or label.

How do I send forms to the VCR?

Please mail completed forms to:

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