

# CPDMS.NET Introduction

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The Cancer Patient Data Management System (CPDMS.net) is a comprehensive, Web- based system for collecting, managing, and analyzing information related to the diagnosis and treatment of cancer patients. The system was developed by the Kentucky Cancer Registry (KCR) at the University of Kentucky to provide individual hospitals with the ability to monitor, analyze, and follow the different types of cancer patients seen in the hospital.

Because CPDMS.net is Web-based, the software itself resides on servers at KCR rather than on a hospital registry's individual computers, thus eliminating the need for individual hospitals to maintain and update the software. The data entered are stored at KCR on secure servers, where they are backed up on a daily basis. CPDMS.net allows users to save reports and data files to their own computers. These files may then be opened, manipulated, and printed using word processing, spreadsheets, or analytic applications such as SAS.

CPDMS.net is provided with a complete documentation set. The [KCR Abstractors Manual](#) describes each data item that is collected and gives precise instruction regarding how the information is to be coded.

CPDMS.net was developed and is maintained by the Informatics staff of the KCR. For further information and technical support, please contact CPDMS Support at (859) 218-2222.

KCR regional coordinators are available to assist hospitals in Kentucky using CPDMS.net with training their staff to use the software, abstract data, and analyze the information.

For further information, visit KCR's website at <http://www.kcr.uky.edu/>, or contact:

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