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Dear Registrar,

Due to the current unavailability of version 18 software registry software and metafiles, the NJSCR is not able to accept 2018 diagnoses at this time. Please do not include any 2018 diagnosis year cases in your file submissions. Any submission that contains 2018 diagnosis year cases will be rejected in total and will need to be resubmitted. Consult with your software vendor on the best way to keep 2018 cases out of your submission files. You may also want to delay resolving edits on your 2018 cases until your version 18 upgrade is complete and your metafile is in place.

Once your registry software has been upgraded to version 18 and your cases pass all version 18 edits, you may submit them to NJSCR. Your facility's timeliness will not be affected as long as all 2018 cases are submitted to NJSCR no later than July 1, 2019.

We understand this may be inconvenient, particularly for those who are abstracting concurrently for RQRS, and we appreciate your patience. We will provide you with additional information as it becomes available.

Please note, this does not apply to laboratories or facilities using Registry Plus Web Plus™ software. Those facilities should report all cases as they are available, including 2018 diagnoses.

If you have any questions, please contact your NJSCR representative at 609-633-0500.

As always, thank you for all your hard work that makes it possible for NJ to produce some of the highest quality cancer surveillance data available. For more information and 2018 transition resources, please visit our web site at www.nj.gov/health/ces.

Sincerely,

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