Below is a list of codes used in the California cancer datasystem(s) to identify sources of follow-up. The sources are in a numerical hierarchy, such that certain sources get different codes depending on which organization actually performs the follow-up

Red entries denote ACTIVE follow-up sources
Blue entries denote PASSIVE follow-up sources

Follow-up obtained by hospital from:
00 ADMISSION BEING REPORTED
01 READMISSION TO REPORTING HOSPITAL
02 FOLLOW-UP REPORT FROM PHYSICIAN
03 FOLLOW-UP REPORT FROM PATIENT
04 FOLLOW-UP REPORT FROM RELATIVE
05 OBITUARY
07 FOLLOW-UP REPORT FROM HOSPICE
08 FOLLOW-UP REPORT FROM OTHER HOSPITAL
09 OTHER SOURCE
11 TELEPHONE CALL TO ANY SOURCE
12 SPECIAL STUDIES
14 ARS (AIDS REGISTRY SYSTEM) – PHONE CALL
15 COMPUTER MATCH WITH DISCHARGE DATA

Follow-up obtained by regional registry from:
20 LETTER TO A PHYSICIAN
22 COMPUTER MATCH WITH MEDICARE OR MEDICAID FILE
23 COMPUTER MATCH WITH HMO FILE
25 NATIONAL DEATH INDEX
26 COMPUTER MATCH WITH STATE DEATH TAPE
29 COMPUTER MATCH, OTHER OR NOS
30 OTHER SOURCE
31 TELEPHONE CALL TO ANY SOURCE
32 SPECIAL STUDIES
34 ARS (AIDS REGISTRY SYSTEM) - LINKAGE
35 COMPUTER MATCH WITH DISCHARGE DATA
36 OBITUARY

Follow-up obtained by central (state) registry from:
40 LETTER TO A PHYSICIAN
41 TELEPHONE CALL TO ANY SOURCE
52 COMPUTER MATCH WITH MEDICARE OR MEDICAID FILE
53 COMPUTER MATCH WITH HMO FILE
55 NATIONAL DEATH INDEX
59 COMPUTER MATCH, OTHER OR NOS
60 OTHER SOURCE

Follow-up obtained by hospitals or facilities usually done by the regional/central registry:
73 COMPUTER MATCH WITH HMO FILE
76 COMPUTER MATCH WITH STATE DEATH TAPE
99 SOURCE UNKNOWN

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