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Coding Drills for Dx Year 2018 Histologies
Released October 14, 2019

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It takes three to code histology these days!

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The guidelines for coding histology for diagnosis year 2018 forward are so much more challenging than back in the day when we coded from looking up the terms in the ICD-O-1 or ICD-O-2 manual. Now we have guidelines as part of the Solid Tumor Rules (STR) Manual that need to be used along with the ICD-O-3 Update Table and the ICD-O-3 Manual to code histology.

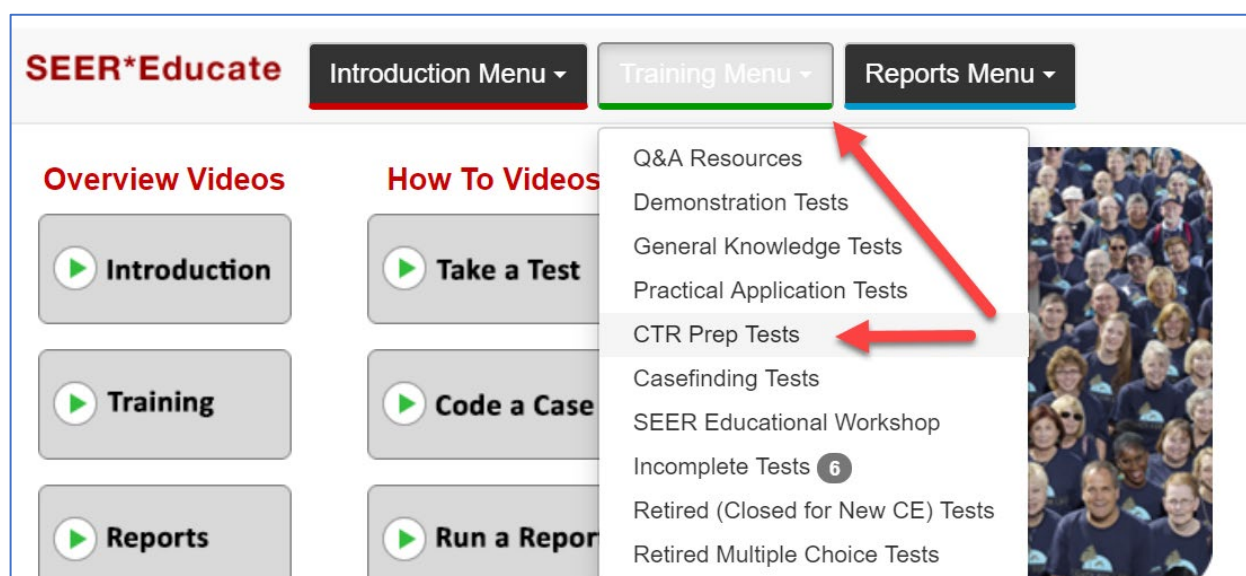On August 30th, we released 110 coding exercises on primary site, histology, and behavior.

On October 14th, we released another 150 coding exercises. We plan to release 145 more in November and 105 in December as shown on the next page.

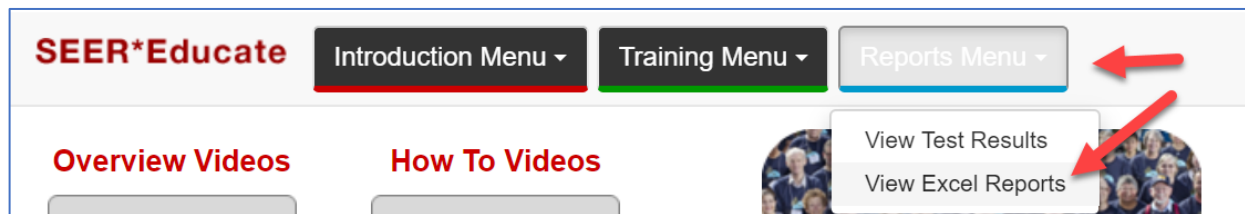**Table 1: Release Schedule for Dx Year 2018 Histology Drills**

Site	Released Aug 30th (110)	Released Oct 14th (150)	Planned for mid-November release (145)	Planned for mid-December release (105)
Breast	20	20		
Colon, Rectosigmoid, and Rectum	10	10		
Cutaneous Melanoma	10	5		
Head & Neck	10	20		5
Kidney	10	20		
Lung	20	25		
Malignant CNS and Peripheral Nerves	10	20		
Non-Malignant CNS	10	20		
Urinary	10	10		
Other Sites			100	
Metastatic Sites			45	
Heme and Lymphoid				100

Although these coding drills do not qualify for CEs from NCRA, these exercises benefit experienced registrars as well as those studying for the CTR exam. All the staff at the Seattle Puget-Sound SEER registry (from newest person to the most experienced) complete the coding drills. This allows us to know if we are all on the same page when it comes to applying the coding guidelines released by the standard setters.

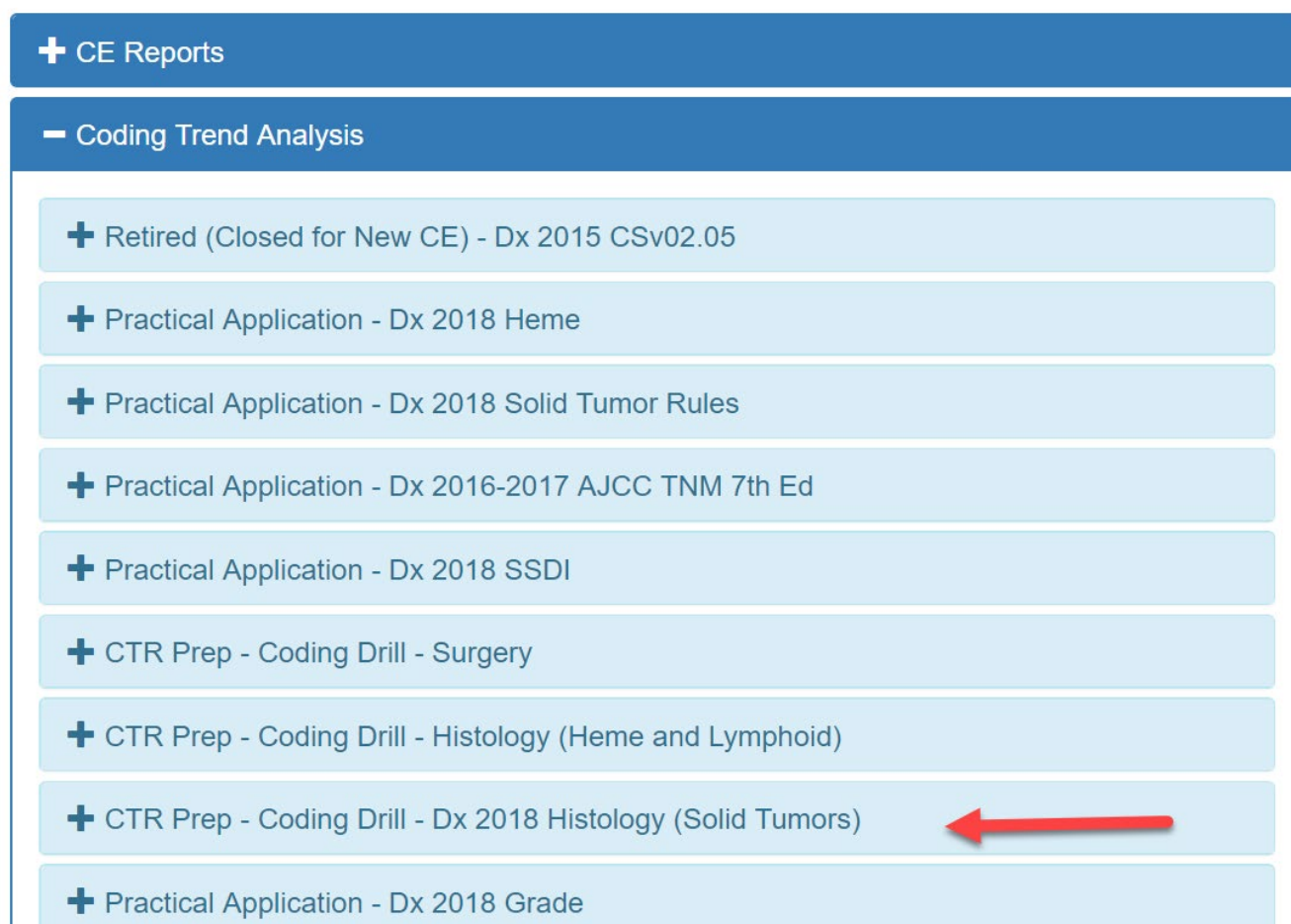## Where do I find them? Under Training Menu, CTR Prep Tests

Is there a report? Under Reports, View Excel Reports

Expand the Coding Trend Analysis bar and look for the CTR Prep – Coding Drill – Dx 2018 Histology (Solid Tumors) report.

This report will display your performance by data item (primary site, histology, and behavior) across each set of cases.

These exercises do not have CEs, but they are great practice.

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