

Facility Identification Number Guidelines and Requirements

Description: A Facility Identification Number (FIN) is a specific number used by the Commission on Cancer (CoC) and the National Cancer Data Base (NCDB) to identify the facility earning CoC accreditation or reporting the cancer case to the NCDB. Each facility's FIN is a unique and individual number.

The number is essential to the NCDB for monitoring data submissions, ensuring the accuracy of data, and for identifying areas for special studies.

FIN Requirements:

1. Facility must have operational and active website
2. Facility must be an operational healthcare facility
3. Facility was not previously assigned a FIN
 - Please review the FIN list available on the American College of Surgeons website to verify that your facility has not already been assigned a FIN at: <https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/cancer/accredited/info/fin>
4. Facility must provide at least one or more of the following services on-site
 - Medical
 - Surgical
 - Oncology
 - Other (cancer-related) services

Approval Process: A CoC staff member will review the completed form and notify all applicants of their request statuses within seven business days via email.