## HCC exception narratives: Revised 6.14.12

For all patients with an HCC exception which requires a narrative, the following information is required *for each treated lesion*:

- 1) the initial size of the lesion and what segment it is in
  - a. does it enhance in the hepatic artery phase
  - b. does it wash out in the portal venous phase
  - c. if it is < 2 cm, does it have a pseudocapsule
- 2) the technique used to treat the lesion and date of treatment
- 3) the current size of the lesion (describe ablation cavity and if there is any residual tumor)

If the patient has any <u>additional lesions</u> which were <u>not treated</u>, each additional lesion needs to be described as follows:

- 1) the size of the lesion and what segment it is in
  - a. does it enhance in the hepatic artery phase
  - b. does it wash out in the portal venous phase
  - c. if it is < 2 cm, does it have a pseudocapsule

A copy of the patient's most recent three dimensional imaging (CT or MRI) needs to be attached to each exception request