

Table 7.3. Continued

TNM Definitions

T2: Tumor invading two subsites in a single region or extending to involve an adjacent region within the nasoethmoidal complex, with or without bony invasion

T3: Extends to invade the medial wall or floor of the orbit, maxillary sinus, palate, or cribriform plate

T4a: Tumor invades any of the following: anterior orbital contents, skin of nose, or cheek, minimal extension to anterior cranial fossa, pterygoid plates, sphenoid or frontal sinuses

T4b: Tumor invades any of the following: orbital apex, dura, brain, middle cranial fossa, cranial nerves other than V₂, nasopharynx, or clivus

Regional Lymph Nodes (N)

NX: Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed

N0: No regional lymph node metastasis

N1: Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, ≤3 cm in greatest dimension

N2: Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node, >3 cm but ≤6 cm in greatest dimension, or in multiple ipsilateral lymph nodes, ≤6 cm in greatest dimension, or in bilateral or contralateral lymph nodes, ≤6 cm in greatest dimension

N2a: Metastasis in a single ipsilateral lymph node >3 cm but ≤6 cm in greatest dimension

N2b: Metastasis in multiple ipsilateral lymph nodes, ≤6 cm in greatest dimension

N2c: Metastasis in bilateral or contralateral lymph nodes, ≤6 cm in greatest dimension

N3: Metastasis in a lymph node >6 cm in greatest dimension

Distant Metastasis (M)

MX: Distant metastasis cannot be assessed

M0: No distant metastasis

M1: Distant metastasis

AJCC Stage Groupings

Stage 0 Tis, N0, M0

Stage I T1, N0, M0

Stage II T2, N0, M0

Stage III T3, N0, M0

Stage III T1, N1, M0

Stage III T2, N1, M0

Stage III T3, N1, M0

Stage IVA T4a, N0, M0

Stage IVA T4a, N1, M0

Stage IVA T1, N2, M0

Stage IVA T2, N2, M0

Stage IVA T3, N2, M0

Stage IVA T4a, N2, M0

Stage IVB Any T, N3, M0

Stage IVB T4b, Any N, M0

Stage IVC Any T, Any N, M1

Histologic Grade (G)

GX-Grade cannot be assessed

G1-Well differentiated

G2-Moderately differentiated

G3-Poorly differentiated

Residual Tumor (R)

RX-Presence of residual tumor cannot be assessed

R0-No residual tumor

R1-Microscopic residual tumor

R2-Macroscopic residual tumor
