# ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY CANCER CENTERS

TOGETHER

- WE ARE

STRONGER



# Cancer Program Administrator. Oncologist. Nurse. Pharmacist. Registrar. Social Worker. Financial Advocate. Hospital Executive.

Cancer care is a team effort. The Association of Community Cancer Centers (ACCC) provides a multidisciplinary, how-to perspective to help you and your team provide exceptional patient care.

### TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER

ACCC prides itself on being the leading education and advocacy organization for the multidisciplinary cancer team.

# 25,000+

Multidisciplinary Practitioners from Every Discipline in Oncology

# SUPPORTIVE CARE STAFF

Social Workers
Patient Navigators
Financial Advocates
Palliative Specialists

# CANCER PROGRAM LEADERSHIP

Hospital Presidents
CEOs, COOs, CMOs
Vice Presidents
Department Directors

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Oncology Program and Practice Administrators, Managers, and Service Line Executives Program Administrative Staff

#### **CLINICIANS**

Medical Radiation Surgical Pharmacy

#### PATIENT CARE

Allied Physicians
Oncology Nurses
Nurse Practitioners
Physician's Assistants

#### THE ENTIRE TEAM

Genetic Counselors

Quality Officers

Data Manager/Registrars

Billers & Coders

2,100

Private Practices, Hospital Cancer Programs, Healthcare Systems, & Major Academic Centers Nationwide

#### ACCC Governance

ACCC was founded in 1974 by a small group of community oncologists. ACCC is governed by its bylaws, Board of Trustees, House of Delegates,

and 13 committees



- Audit
- Awards
- Bylaws
- Cancer Program Fundamentals
- Clinical Affairs
- Communications
- Corporate Development
- Education
- Governmental Affairs

- Investment
- Membership
- Nominating
- Strategic Planning

Each Cancer Program Member has one representative in the House of Delegates

# What Does It Mean to Be a DELEGATE REPRESENTATIVE?

Delegate Representatives have the distinction of serving as the voice of their cancer program, patients, and community.

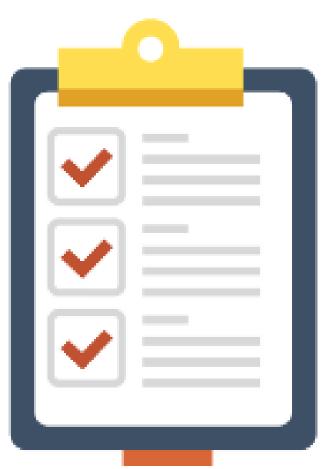
You have been designated by your cancer program to serve as its Delegate Representative. You are the main connection between ACCC and your program. Responsibilities include:

- Updating your program and staff membership information in our database no less than once a
  year to ensure ACCC has the most up-to-date information
- Processing annual dues invoice (membership runs on a July-June schedule)
- Responding and disseminating surveys
- Voting in ACCC leadership elections
- Participating in the House of Delegates Annual Meeting
- Encouraging your team to participate in ACCC projects and utilize resources

# The Value of Serving as an ACCC DELEGATE REPRESENTATIVE

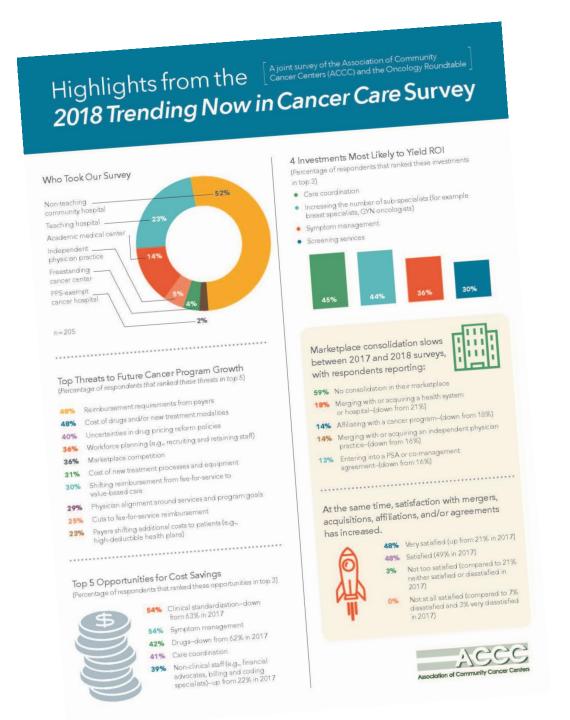
ACCC relies on its Delegate Representatives to complete—and disseminate—various surveys to colleagues within their program.

SURVEY: How Does Your Team Communicate with MBC Patients?



Most ACCC education projects begin with a survey so we can better understand the challenges and needs within particular areas, so this is a critical form of communication between ACCC and its Cancer Program Members.

### TAKING THE PULSE OF ACCC MEMBERSHIP



Annual *Trending Now in Cancer Care* survey identifies nationwide data in the business aspects of cancer care.

49% feel EHRs have a negative impact on provider-patient interactions.

81% have dedicated staff to help patients understand costs, optimize insurance, and find external financial assistance programs.

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report that cost & reimbursement are greatest challenges to offering immunotherapy treatments.

Insurance coverage (68%) & payer reimbursement requirements (63%) hinder survey respondents' ability to conduct biomarker testing.

49%

had a patient refuse treatment due to financial worries. 79%

report being "very or somewhat concerned" about this trend.

#### How-To Resources



- Cancer Care Coordination
- Process Improvement Initiatives
- Effective Practices

# Together We Are Improving the Patient Experience

#### ADDRESSING NEEDS THROUGH EDUCATION



Immuno-Oncology

Developing resources at the intersection of science, business, operations, and policy to support IO integration



**Precision Medicine** 

Addressing the growing need for integration and coordination of pathology in the multidisciplinary cancer care team



Financial Advocacy

Proactively incorporating financial health into the care continuum to improve patient access to care



Tumor-Specific Education

Closing the gap
between
innovation and
implementation—
transfer cutting
edge information
into practice

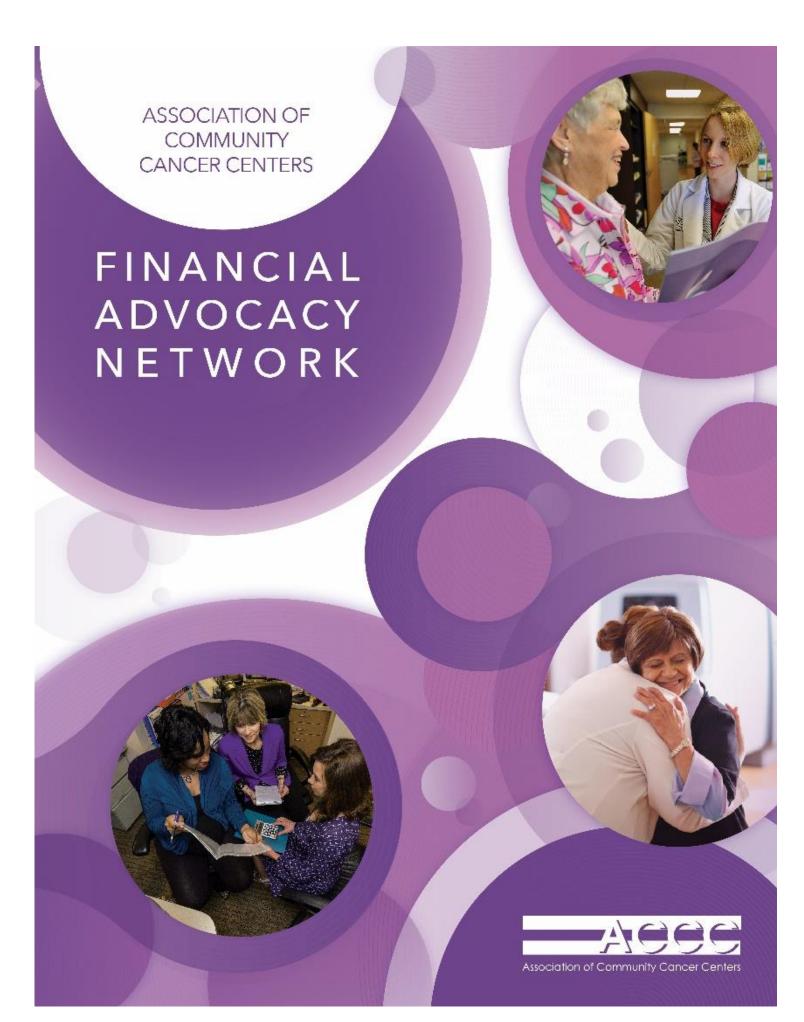


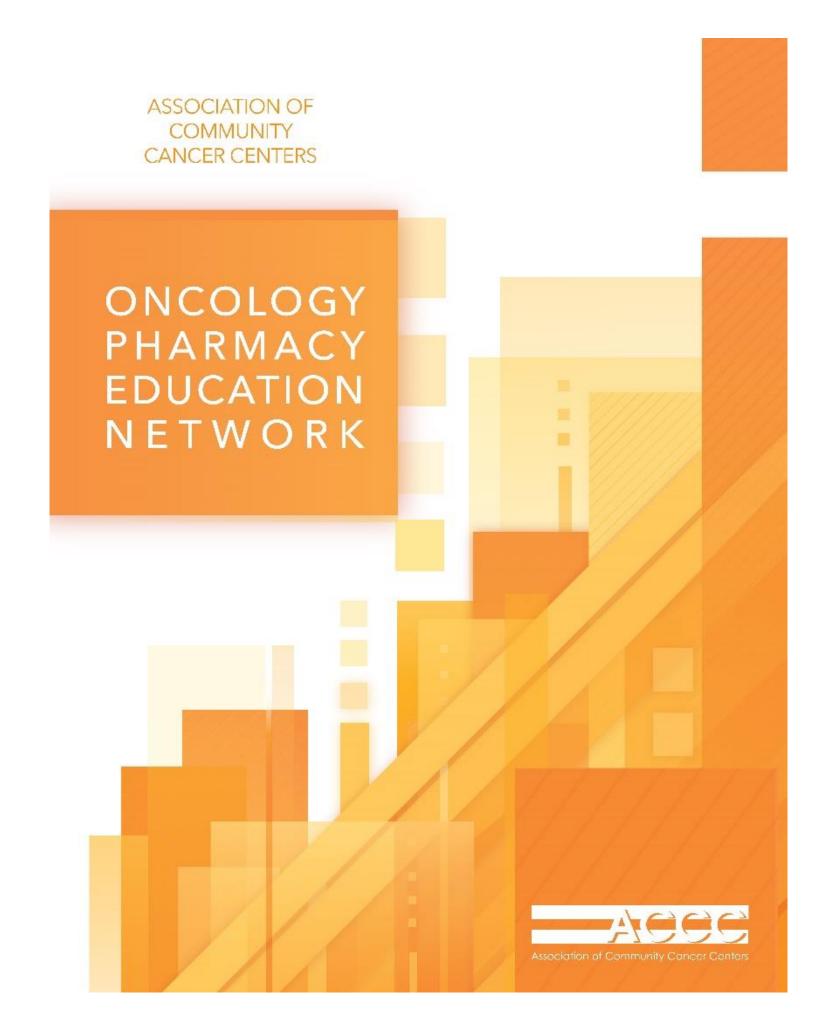
Value-Based Care

Working directly with CMMI and OCM practices to advocate for improvements in value-based care delivery

## **Education Initiatives**

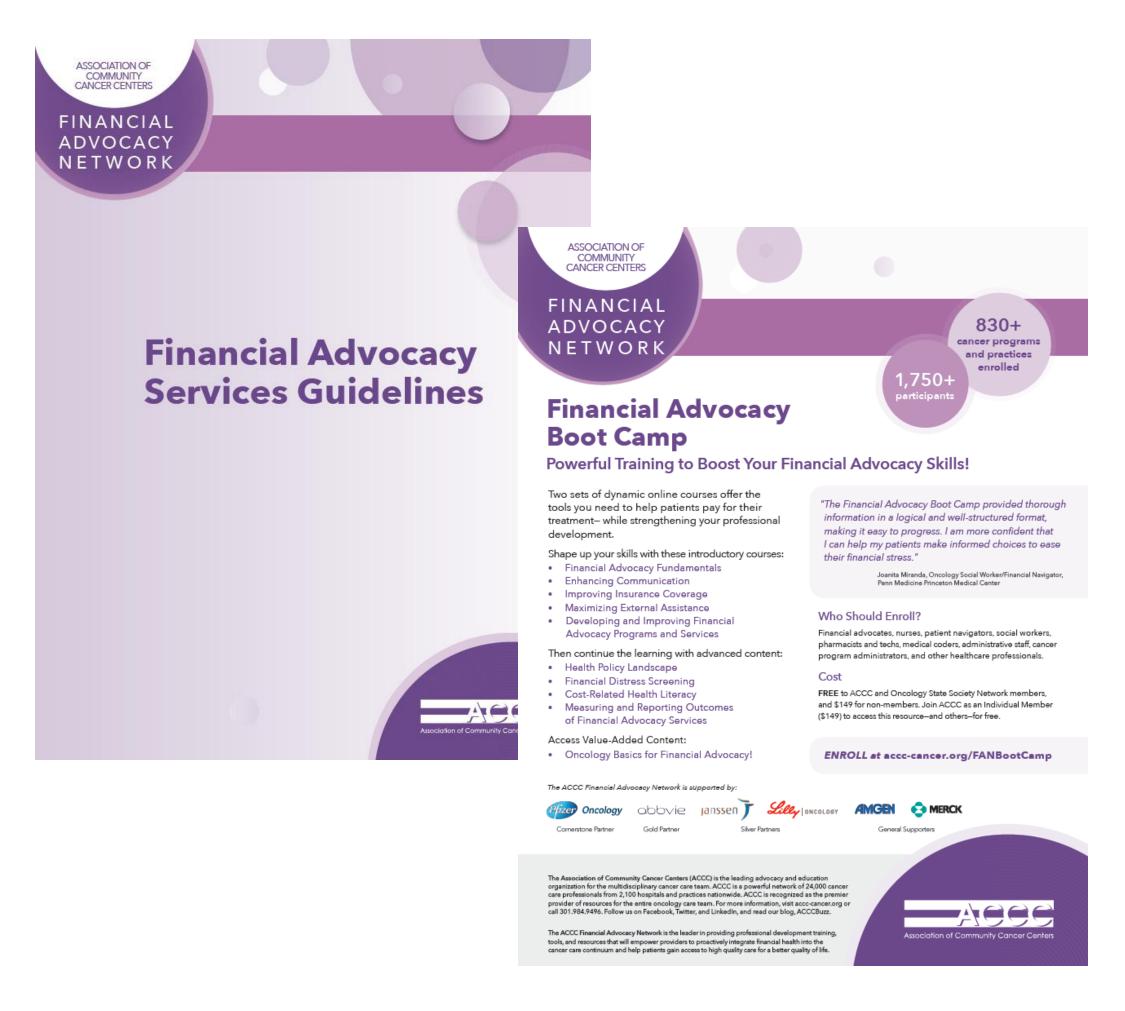






## ACCC Financial Advocacy Network

Provides the tools and resources to empower providers to proactively integrate financial health into the care continuum.



- The Financial Advocacy Services Guidelines prepare, inform, and support the financial advocacy services team.
- The Financial Advocacy Boot Camp offers two sets of dynamic online courses designed to prepare you to help your patients address the growing issue of financial toxicity.

**Enroll today!** <u>accc-cancer.org/FANBootCamp</u>



The ACCC Immuno-Oncology Institute is the ONLY initiative dedicated to educating multidisciplinary teams to go beyond a clinical understanding of immuno-oncology and tack real-world implementation issues.

### New IO Web Portal

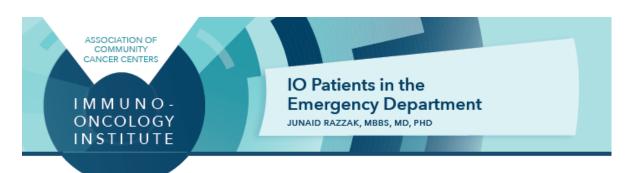
Find practical, proactive strategies for the effective delivery of these new and emerging therapies.

Resources are divided into tailored content buckets to help you access what you need—quickly and easily!

Care Coordination & Communication
Immune-Related Adverse Events
Novel Therapies
Policy and Reimbursement
Survivorship
Telemedicine & Virtual Navigation

Find resources for the entire cancer team at <u>accc-cancer.org/immunotherapy</u>

## ACCC Immuno-Oncology Publications



he emergency care system serves as front-line care for all patients but especially for those who are critically ill or high risk such as individuals with cancer. Of 140 million Emergency Department (ED) visits every year in the United States, about 4 percent are made by patients with a diagnosis of cancer. While many present due to an emergency caused by the primary disease, a significant number arrive in the ED due to complications from anticancer treatment. In "A Systematic Review of Emergency Department Use Among Cancer Patients," Lash and colleagues found that 10-12 percent of patients with cancer had at least one visit to the ED during their treatment. Of those receiving chemotherapy, about 5 percent required a visit to an emergency department within the first 30 days of the treatment. In fact, many patients are most vulnerable to an emergency department visit during the first few days of initiating cancer treatment.

What role can telemedicine play in optimizing ED care for these patients?

In most hospitals, when these patients come to the ED, they arecared for by residency-trained emergency physicians. Emergency physicians are partners in providing care to your acutely ill patients. Since emergency physicians' experience with and exposure to the novel immunotherapies is relatively limited, it is important that ED and nurses are aware of the indications for these agents and informed on potential acute and chronic complications of immunotherapy for cancer. ED care of cancer patients being treated with immunotherapies can be considerably improved if there is:

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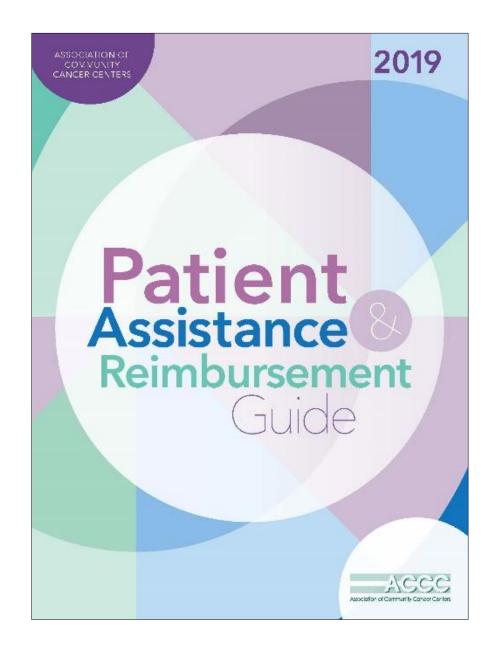


Authored by ACCC IO Institute Working Group members, the ACCC Immuno-Oncology Insights explore big picture issues in delivery of these therapies and front-line challenges confronting patients, caregivers, and the multidisciplinary team.

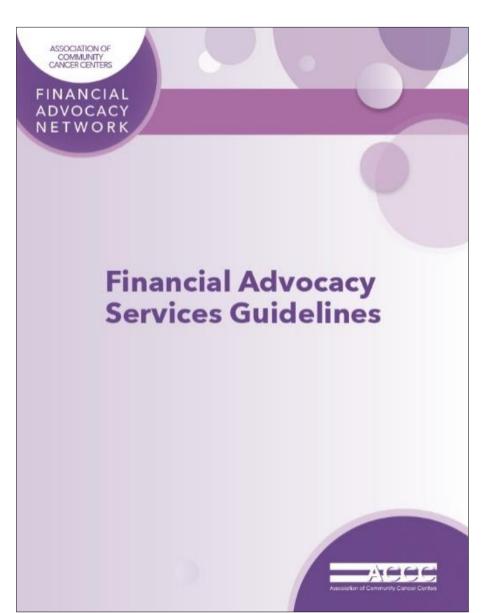
The 2018-2019 Immuno-Oncology: Connecting Science, Policy, and Real-World Care Delivery report offers a concise view of ACCC IO Institute resources, education, and next steps in supporting integration of immunotherapy into practice.

Learn more at accc-cancer.org/immunotherapy

### Print and Online Resources



**Annual Publications** 



Financial Advocacy
Services Guidelines



Delegate REPartee Bi-Weekly e-Newsletter

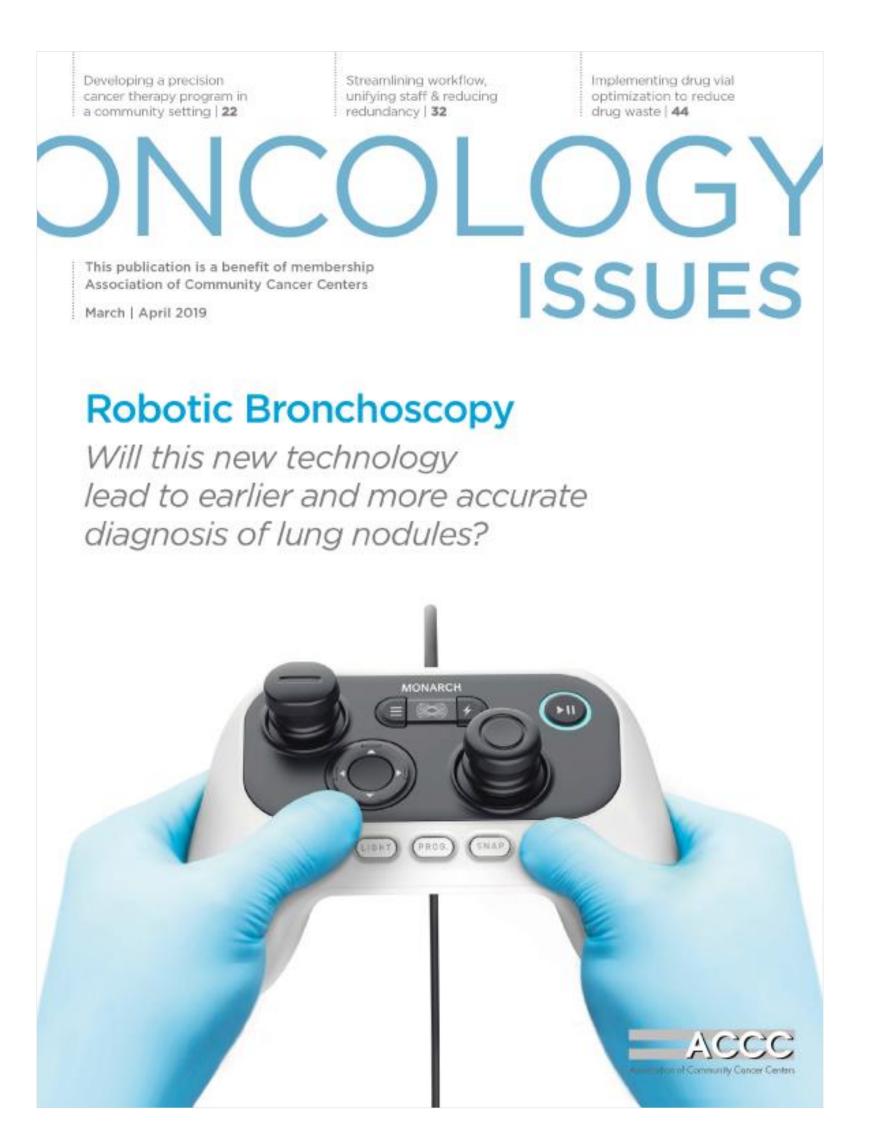


Members-Only Bi-Weekly e-Newsletter



New perspectives in the ACCCBuzz Blog

# ACCC Oncology Issues Bi-Monthly Journal



Our peer-reviewed journal delivers practical solutions and strategies to help your cancer program achieve programmatic and financial success.

Featured articles include topics such as innovative models of care delivery, new treatment modalities, clinical research in the community, and hospital and physician alignment strategies.

accc-cancer.org/oncologyissues

## Advocacy: Reimbursement & Access

ACCC's advocacy efforts support policies and proposals that seek to enhance comprehensive access to care at cancer programs and practices throughout the country. Recent advocacy efforts include:

The leading education and advocacy organization for the cancer team



#### ACCC Principles for 340B Drug Pricing Program Sustainability and Reform September 2017

#### Background

The Association of Community Cancer Centers (ACCC) is an institutional based membership organization with members in all 50 states and in all sites of service. ACCC members provide cancer care in private practices and hospitals, both academic and community-based; both for-profit and not-for-profit. Given the diversity of our membership, ACCC is uniquely positioned to engage with policymakers and fellow stakeholders in a dialogue about how to ensure sustainability and reform of the 340B Drug Pricing Program.

As Congress, the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA), and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) consider reforms to the 340B Drug Pricing Program, policymakers should support policies that encourage and, at a minimum, do not discourage, medical oncology providers from treating underserved populations, including low-income Medicare beneficiaries, Medicare-only, Medicaid, uninsured and dual-eligible cancer patients. In addition, since most medical oncology is delivered in the community setting, policymakers should modernize the 340B program to reflect this reality in cancer care delivery, including allowing independent physician practices already serving underserved patients to be eligible to participate.

At the same time, given the current scope of the program, any reforms undertaken should not increase the net size of the 340B program. Instead, reform efforts should be focused on ensuring that existing resources are reaching those cancer programs willing to treat underserved populations.

#### Specific Fundamental Reforms

ACCC believes that to preserve the original intent of the 340B program, to continue to ensure that savings help oncology providers reach more underserved patients and provide more comprehensive services, and to preserve long-term viability of the program, the following steps should be taken:

- Congress should revise the 340B statute to give HRSA the general rulemaking authority and adequate funding it needs to appropriately regulate and oversee the program.
- HRSA should require transparency and public reporting from covered entities on the savings accrued from the program and how these savings are spent on services that benefit underserved patients.

- Robust efforts around Part B reimbursement, including educating
  policymakers about the realities of cancer care delivery and ensuring new
  quality reporting programs in Medicare that are flexible and achievable
  for clinicians.
- Navigating drug pricing reform proposals, including working with both hospital-based and private practice cancer programs to develop long-term principles for 340B sustainability and reform.
- Advocating for a federal oral parity law, so that patients experience equal cost-sharing for IV and oral chemotherapy drugs.
- Engaging policymakers on a range of other issues, including telehealth, diagnostics, and access to new, innovative therapies like immunotherapies.

# Advocacy Resources & Opportunities

- ✓ Members-only conference calls and webinars on hot-button issues and legislation that will have a direct impact on ACCC cancer programs
- ✓ Receive regular policy updates and participate in "call to action" lobbying campaigns that allow you to communicate directly with your member of Congress
- ✓ Join us for ACCC's annual Capitol Hill Day, in which we provide all the tools you need to meet with your legislators on issues of importance to the provider community!

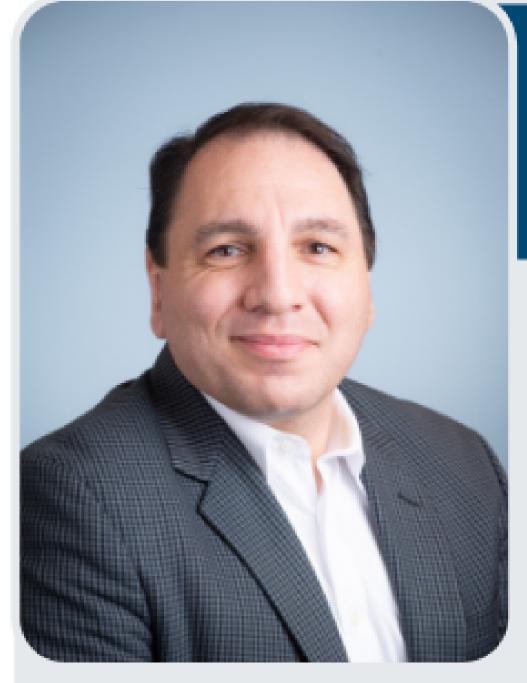








## **ACCC President's Theme**

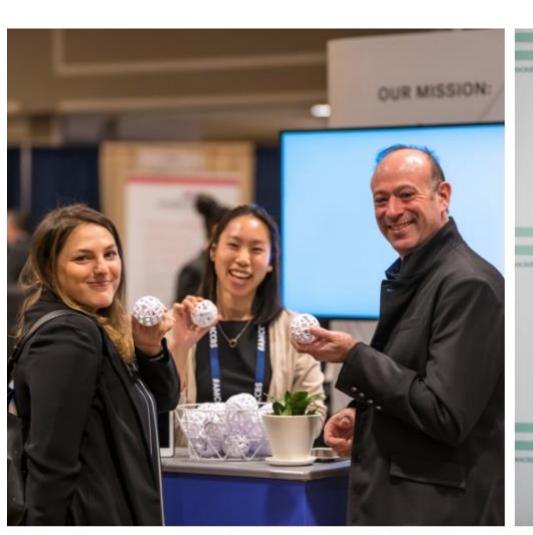


# ACCC President 2019-2020

Ali McBride, PharmD, MS, BCOP
The University of Arizona Cancer Center,
Department of Pharmacy

Collaborate. Educate. Compensate: A Prescription for Sustainable Cancer Care Delivery

## Meetings



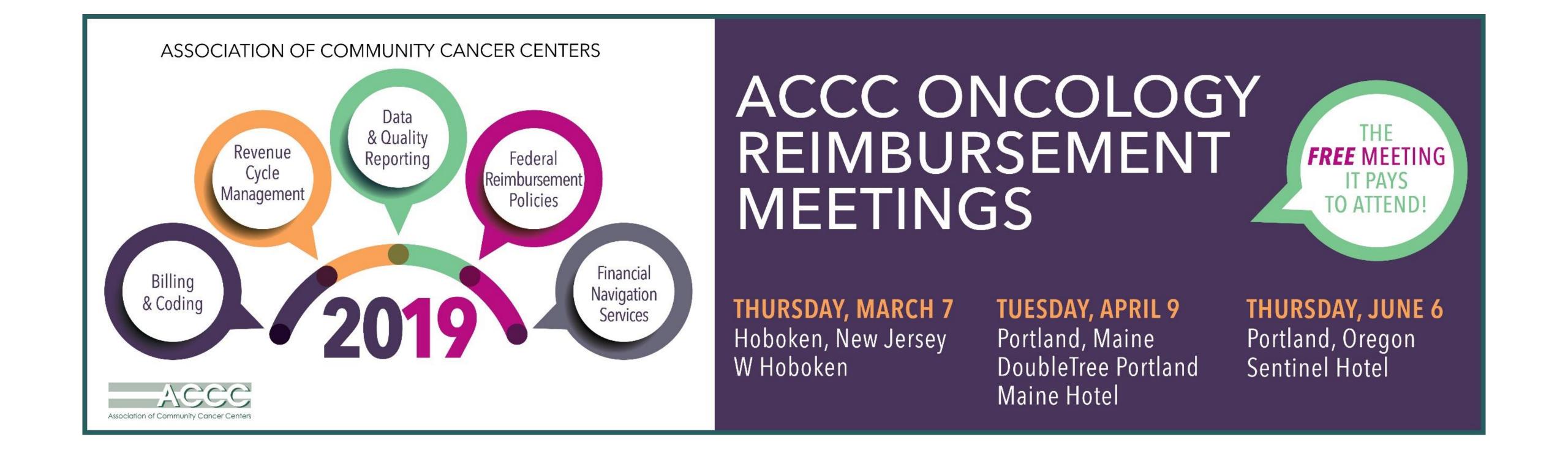




ACCC meetings are a great opportunity for you and your cancer care team to learn new ideas during exciting sessions and to network with peers from across the country.

Discounted registration fees are included in your ACCC member benefits!

accc-cancer.org/meetings



Gain a fresh perspective on oncology reimbursement issues, come away with tools to strengthen your program, and information to help you weather market changes.

accc-cancer.org/ReimbursementMeeting

# ASCO Direct Highlights

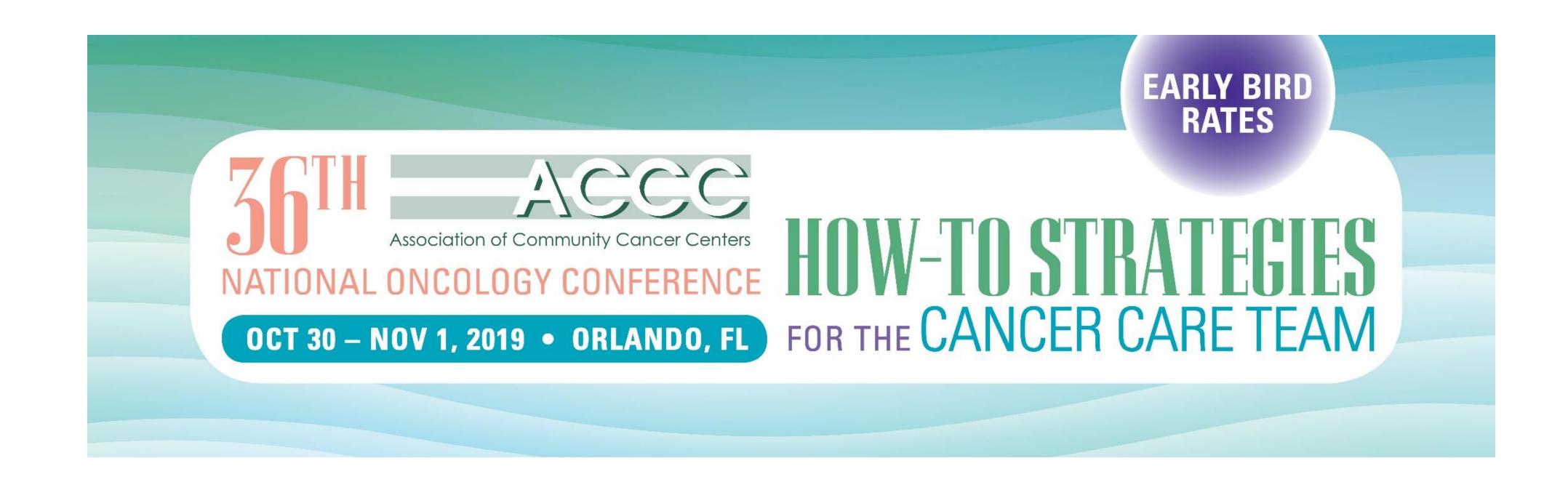
2019 Official Annual Meeting Review

Friday, July 12 Honolulu, HI Friday, July 19 New York, NY

Saturday, August 10 Charleston, SC

These condensed, one-day meetings features an in-depth discussion and analysis on the latest scientific findings in primary disease sites and practice-changing advances in cancer treatment.

accc-cancer.org/ascodirect



Experience inspiring speakers, practical sessions, and collaborative discussions to help drive real-world change that matters to your cancer program and patients.

## accc-cancer.org/OncologyConference



In its ninth year, the 2019 **ACCC Innovator Awards** honor Cancer Program Members for their ingenuity and pioneering achievements in oncology to meet today's challenges in cancer care delivery.

The application process will open in January 2020!

For details: accc-cancer.org/innovator

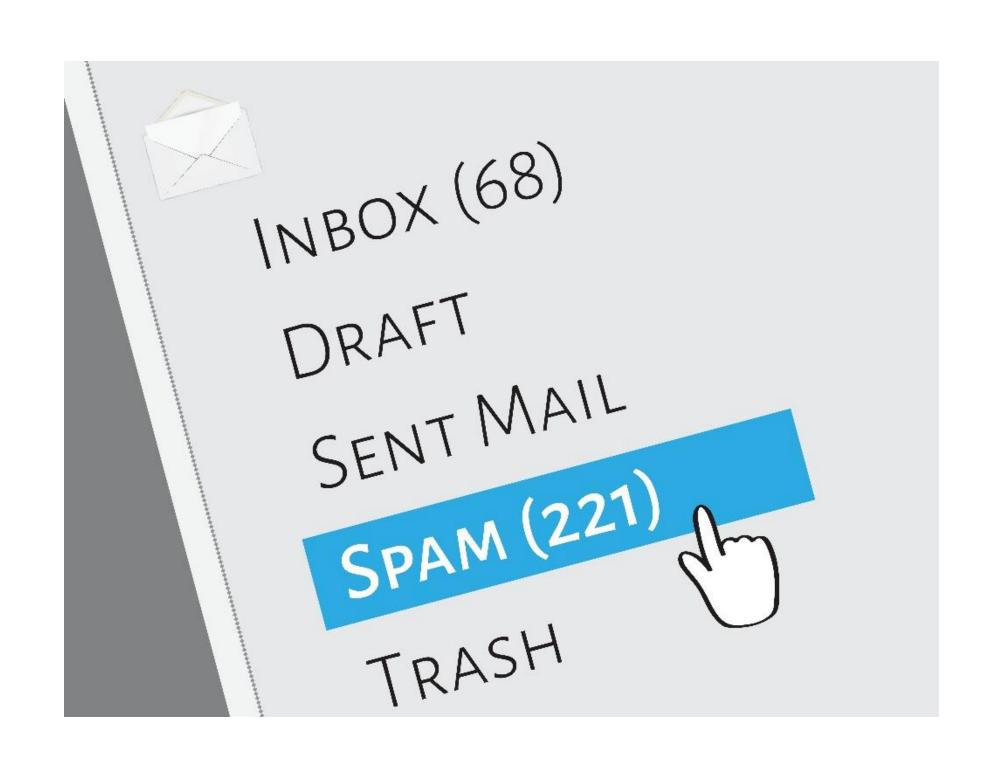
## ACCCExchange Listserv

Dynamic discussion forum where ACCC members ask their toughest questions, share knowledge, network, and gain valuable insight.



Join the conversation at mynetwork.accc-cancer.org

### Whitelist ACCC



To **ensure** that you and your colleagues don't miss valuable information pertinent to your job roles, please ask your IT department to adds **accc-cancer.org** to your "approved" or "safe senders" list!

For detailed whitelisting instructions: accc-cancer.org/whitelist

## Connect with ACCC





# THANK YOU!

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