

Join in Winter Regional Meetings and Webinar

With the New Year come new rules, new codes, and new challenges! Help is at hand. ACCC is offering its popular regional oncology economic and management symposia this winter. Designed to help *all* members of the oncology team better handle



the complexities of oncology management today, *Redefining Cancer Economics* will provide the latest regulatory and legislative updates related to the delivery of cancer care. Presenters will discuss how to improve practice efficiencies, to develop oncology services, service-line assessment, and revenue cycle management.

Those at your practice or hospital who are involved in the business of delivering quality cancer care can benefit by attending. The session is ideal for hospital CFOs, vice presidents, service-line directors and managers, pharmacists, finance staff, physicians, oncology nurses, practice administrators, and billers and coders.

Winter 2007 symposia are scheduled for:

- Jan. 17, 2007, in Birmingham, Ala.
- Jan. 23, 2007, in San Diego, Calif.
- Feb. 13, 2007, in Spokane, Wash.

Unable to attend these sessions? ACCC will offer a special webinar on March 7, 2007.

For more information and to register for this free program, go to ACCC's website at: www.accc-cancer.org/symposia.

And the Survey Says...

ACCC's 2006 Cancer Administrator Survey is now available to Association members. This fall, ACCC sent an email survey to cancer program administrators at ACCC's Member Institutions. Slightly more than 20 percent (111 institutions) responded.

Here are some highlights:

- *New people are moving into the field.* About 42 percent of respondents have been in their jobs less than five years.
- *Nurses are being promoted and given increasingly more responsibilities.* 47 percent of adminstra-

tors responding are licensed as registered nurses.

- *Cancer program administrators are highly trained and highly educated.* 81 percent of respondents hold a Master's degree or higher.
- *It's a great job to have.* The majority of administrators (82 percent) say they are happy in their jobs.

Survey results and details are available on the Members Only section of ACCC's website: www.accc-cancer.org.

Are You Getting Full Value?

ACCC currently comprises nearly 14,000 members who are affiliated through their workplace (member institutions or practices), through state societies, or as individual members. The Association is working hard to increase its outreach. The more members of your staff (physicians, nurses, administrators, etc.) that we represent, the greater our ability to advocate on issues of importance to oncology and cancer patients; to increase public visibility and awareness for our members; and to offer education and networking resources, and more.

Realize the full value of your ACCC membership by submitting the names, addresses, and emails of your entire oncology team to receive Association print publications, email alerts, access to the Members

Only section of our website, meeting notices, etc. Note: even physicians who are affiliated with your program or who have privileges at your institution can receive these benefits! Plus, there is no limit to the number of individuals who can be ACCC members through your institution. Please help the Association to expand its effectiveness. For your convenience, we offer four easy ways to submit your information to ACCC:

- Email ksmith@acc-cancer.org
- Fax information to 301.770.1949
- Mail information to: ACCC, 11600 Nebel St., Suite 201, Rockville, MD 20852
- Go online to www.accc-cancer.org. Click on "Find a Cancer Center" in the Quick Links box, select your state, and then click on your hospital or practice. Then click on "Update Your Profile" to make the changes online. (Allow about three weeks for processing changes.)