

Cancer Care Patient Navigation Online Resource

ACCC is pleased to announce the launch of its new Cancer Care Patient Navigation resource at www.accc-cancer.org. You'll find:

- Model patient navigation efforts underway at ACCC member programs and articles from a supplement published with the May/June 2009 Oncology Issues
- Sample forms and tools, including navigator job descriptions, pre-assessment forms, intake summaries, referrals forms, patient satisfaction surveys, and outcome measures
- An update to ACCC's Cancer Program Guidelines to include patient navigation services
- An archived webinar on cancer care patient navigation.

The online resource is part of ACCC's Cancer Care Patient Navigation: A Call to Action educational project. A joint effort by ACCC and the Meniscus Educational Institute in West Conshohocken, Pa., this project is made possible by an educational grant from sanofi-aventis U.S.

Update on ACCC's Prostate Cancer "Best Practices" Project

ACCC is pleased to announce the five sites selected to participate in Part Two of ACCC's Prostate Cancer "Best Practices" Project:

- 1. Florida Hospital Cancer Institute, Orlando, Fla.
- 2. Good Samaritan Hospital, San Jose, Calif.
- 3. OncoLogics, Inc., Lafayette, La.
- 4. Saint Joseph's Hospital, Atlanta, Ga.



5. Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, Tallahassee, Fla.

Congratulations to these cancer programs and many thanks to all who applied. For those not selected, and for all ACCC members, educational materials and a webinar will be available in late summer 2009.

ACCC's project will provide these five organizations with onsite education about the process and structures that "model" community-based prostate-specific cancer programs have used to initiate and grow their successful programs. Later, the institutions will evaluate clinical and financial outcomes through ongoing data collection and analysis.

In late 2008, ACCC launched Part One of its Prostate Cancer "Best Practices" Project. The first step was to identify five prostate cancer programs that: 1) empowered patients with information and knowledge about choices, 2) coordinated multidisciplinary services starting with diagnosis, and 3) collected standardized treatment outcomes data. Five model programs were selected: Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Maine Medical Center, Scarborough, Maine; Palo Alto Medical Foundation; Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte, N.C.; and Regional Cancer Center, ProHealth Care, Waukesha, Wisc.

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ACCCExchange Listserve Reminders

s a members-only electronic "mailing," ACCCExchange listserve is an added benefit of membership, allowing you to network with colleagues on a daily basis. It provides an ongoing forum for discussion on important topics such

ACCConnect

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name. "ACCConnect" will arrive bi-monthly on Wednesday mornings with news you can use about legislative and

regulatory policy changes that will affect your cancer program or practice, drug and new technology updates, educational offerings, and more. We've shortened the articles and provided links if you want to read more. Over the years this membersonly benefit has been well-received. We hope these changes will make our e-newsletter even better!

as reimbursement issues, managing your cancer center or oncology practice, new technology purchase and implementation, and other professional concerns. Here are a few tips to optimize this member benefit:

■ Understand that ACCCExchange is an "unmoderated list," meaning that the program broadcasts messages to all current list subscribers with no editorial review of messages before they are sent. ACCC

- does not verify the accuracy of submitted messages nor does it endorse the opinions expressed by message authors.
- Keep in mind that email messages are sent to all members subscribed to the listserve, when you click REPLY TO ALL.
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