

ACCC EDUCATION UPDATES



Multiple Myeloma Initiative

A Small-Population Cancers Project from ACCC's Center for Provider Education

How Much Do You Know About Multiple Myeloma?

ACCC has launched a ground-breaking program to give cancer care providers the tools they need to care for and support patients with multiple myeloma. Soon, ACCC will conduct a survey of members to gauge knowledge about multiple myeloma, assess how programs integrate the latest clinical data into practice, and understand the extent of support services and program design. Look for the survey to arrive by email.

As part of its "Treating Small-Population Cancers in the Community Setting" educational project, ACCC will

raise awareness about the special needs of patients with multiple myeloma and identify most effective practices in treating multiple myeloma in community programs. Among the many questions that ACCC will explore are:

1. How are cases reviewed in a multidisciplinary manner?
2. What guidelines are followed?
3. What type of monitoring takes place and which is appropriate?
4. Are clear policy and procedures in place to deal with any financial or managerial challenges?

5. How are patients transitioned between care settings?
6. How do cancer programs ensure that team members receive the most current information about managing the patient with multiple myeloma?

ACCC will compile the most effective practices and share them with cancer care providers across the country. Want to learn more? Go to: www.accc-cancer.org/multiplemyeloma.



Molecular Testing in the Community Oncology Setting: Understanding the Landscape and Identifying and Sharing Best Practices

An education program from ACCC's Center for Provider Education

Molecular Testing & Your Cancer Program

ACCC understands that the growth in molecular testing can present a challenge to community cancer centers. As a part of its education project, "Molecular Testing in the Community Oncology Setting: Understanding the Landscape and Identifying and Sharing Best Practices," ACCC has launched two surveys to better understand the needs of community-based cancer programs regarding molecular testing. A multidisciplinary expert ACCC Advisory Committee helped with survey design along with the consulting firm, Health Equity Associates, which

will be conducting survey data analysis. Survey results and information gathered from focus group discussions will be used to help identify best practices in implementing molecular testing in the community setting.

The primary goals of this educational project are to:

- Understand from a multidisciplinary perspective the current molecular-testing landscape, including barriers to use of molecular testing in the community setting
- Identify a wide variety of community-

based cancer programs that have excelled at implementing molecular testing, thereby improving patient care

- Identify key success factors and effective practices, demonstrated through case studies, to successfully implement molecular testing in the community setting.

For more on this project, visit www.accc-cancer.org/moleculartesting.

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THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND LEARNING NETWORK FOR COMMUNITY-BASED CANCER PROGRAMS

An educational program from ACCC's Center for Provider Education

The Financial Information and Learning Network Practical Course

This online course is focused along the continuum of "beginner" to "expert." Participants can choose to take courses in order from Course 1 to Course 10. Conversely, participants can focus solely on areas where improvements are needed. The course in its entirety can also be used to train staff new to cancer and/or financial counseling services. Free to ACCC Cancer Program Members.



Course 1: **Archived**
Understanding the
Insurance Process



Course 6: **August 21, 2012**
Justifying a Financial
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Course 5: **July 25, 2012**
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Course 10: **December 2012**
Financial Counseling:
Tools You Can Use

For more information
www.accc-cancer.org/film



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SAVE THE DATE!

ACCC 29th National Oncology Conference
October 3–6, 2012
Grand Hyatt San Antonio
San Antonio, Texas

ACCC 39th Annual National Meeting
March 6–8, 2013
Washington Marriott Wardman Park
Washington, DC



Learn more and register at:
www.accc-cancer.org/meetings.

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PeaceHealth

St. Joseph Medical Center
Bellingham, Wash.
Delegate Rep: Dana Cunningham
Website: <http://www.peacehealth.org/cancer>

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Delegate Rep: Susan Nordberg
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