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New Patient Assistance Programs

ACCC's 2013 Patient Assistance & Reimbursement Guide now includes PAPs for patients being treated with Jakafi (ruxolitinib), Fareston (toremifene citrate), Sancuso (granisetron transdermal system), and Xofigo (radium Ra 223 dichloride injection). Learn more at www.accc-cancer.org/patientassistanceguide.



Get to Know ACCC's Community Resource Centers

These cancer programs serve as virtual "experts-in-residence" on small-population cancers for ACCC members. Watch their videos at www.accc-cancer.org/SPC.



Update to ACCC's Oncology Drug Reference Guide

ACCC's guide now includes supportive care drugs. It also shows how sequestration is impacting drug payment rates under Medicare Part B. Learn more at www.accc-cancer.org/drugguide. Is your cancer program feeling the effects of the sequester? If so, we'd like to hear from you. Email mfarber@accc-cancer.org and share your story.



ACCC Members Want Information on Lung Cancer Screening

Did you miss the ACCC conference call about low-dose CT lung cancer screening programs? Access the archived call along with presenters' slides and FAQs on ACCC's MyNetwork site: mynetwork.accc-cancer.org/; search "lung cancer screening."

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Employer-Based Health Coverage Down Significantly

The percentage of Americans with employer health insurance coverage dropped from **64.4% in 1997** to **56.5% in 2010**.

Source: The Census Bureau survey report is at www.census.gov/prod/2013pubs/p70-134.pdf.

5 Facts about Hospice

1. Most hospice care is provided in the home
2. Hospice care is fully covered by Medicare, private insurance, and by Medicaid in most states
3. The hospice benefit pays for medications and medical equipment related to the illness
4. Hospice care can include complementary therapies, such as music and art
5. Hospices offer grief support to the family following the death of a loved one.

Source: National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization. www.caringinfo.org.

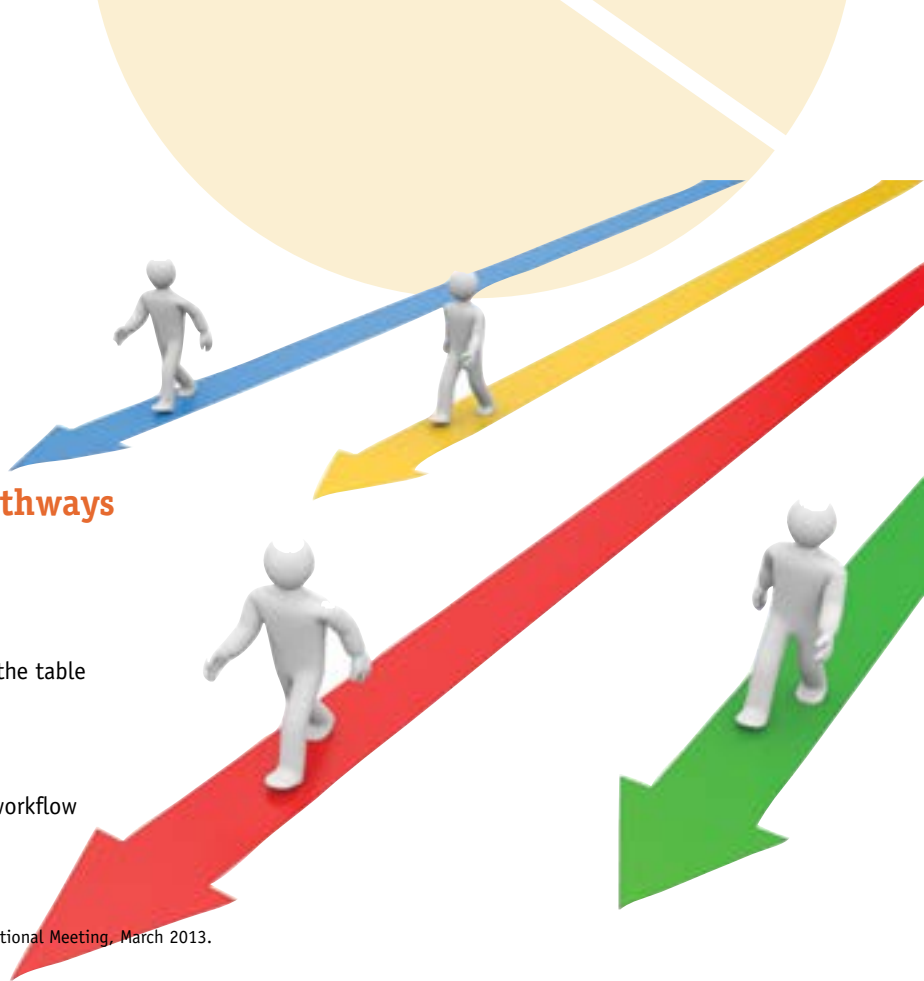


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8 Forces that Drive the Adoption of Clinical Pathways

1. Physician leadership
2. Clear communication of goals
3. A situation where everyone has a seat at the table
4. Meaningful benchmark reports
5. Alignment of provider incentives
6. Ease of use; must fit in with the clinical workflow
7. Support to other QI programs
8. Easy to go off pathways.

Source. Kathy Lokay. Presentation at ACCC's 2013 Annual National Meeting, March 2013.



➔ Most Cancer Patients & Survivors Want To Continue Working



- **60%** of survey respondents reported taking no time off or only a few days off before returning to work after diagnosis
- **73%** felt employment gave them a sense of purpose and was tied to their identity
- **About 20%** reported feeling that cancer prevented them from carrying out professional responsibilities, reaching their true potential, or performing at the same level as their peers.

Source. Cancer and Careers. Harris Interactive Survey. Conducted Sept. 27-Oct. 3, 2012.