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6 Smart Purchases that Will Change Your Practice

1. **Fish tanks** can help reduce anxiety and entertain waiting patients.
2. **Single-serve coffee makers** reduce the expense of wasted pots of coffee.
3. **Scanners** eliminate paper use and allow for all information to be saved electronically.
4. **Speech recognition software** eliminates the cost of paying someone to type up information.
5. **In-house billing systems** can save time and money and allow for greater physician control.
6. **Real-time locating systems** improve staff efficiency and patient flow.

Source: www.physicianpractices.com.



Childhood Cancer Survivor Study Finds Health Gaps

Adult survivors of childhood cancer face significant health problems as they age and are five times more likely than their siblings to develop new cancers, heart conditions, and other serious health conditions beyond the age of 35, according to data from a study of childhood cancer survivors. The findings highlight the importance of lifelong, risk-based healthcare for childhood cancer survivors.

Source: Armstrong GT, et al. Aging and risk of severe, disabling, life-threatening, and fatal events in the childhood cancer survivor study. *J Clin Oncol.* 2014;32(12):1218.1227.

Taking the Pulse of Today's Oncologists

- In 2013 the average salary for an oncologist was \$290,000—a **4%** increase from 2012.
- **60%** of oncologists spend more than 40 hours a week seeing patients.
- **58%** of oncologists said they would choose to practice oncology again if they had the choice.
- **52%** of oncologists feel that they are “fairly compensated” for their services.
- **19%** of oncologists have started to offer ancillary services.

Source: Medscape 2014 Physician Compensation Survey. www.medscape.com/features/slideshow/compensation/2014/public/overview#2.



Mixed Outlook for 2014 Capital Expenditures

Hospital CEOs and CFOs report medical equipment purchasing and new construction as areas most likely to experience a decline; those hospitals spending money are looking to purchase robotic surgery systems and 3D mammography systems.

Source: A survey conducted by MedPanel, LLC. www.medpanel.com.

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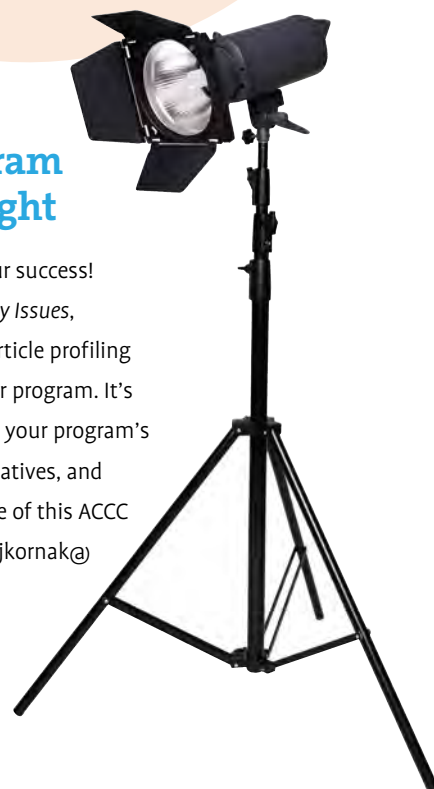


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Put Your Cancer Program in the Spotlight

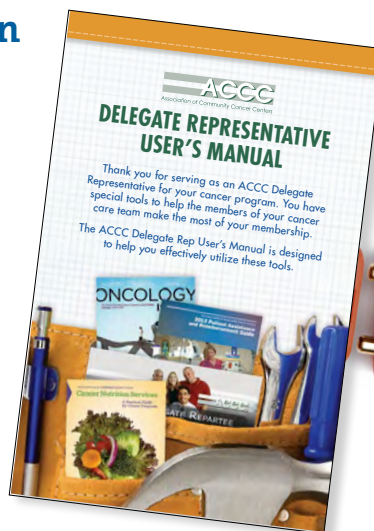
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Delegate Reps—Making the Connection

Every ACCC Cancer Program Member has one Delegate Representative—Delegate Rep for short! Today 680 Delegate Reps are the connectors between their colleagues and ACCC. These designated individuals:

1. Vote in ACCC Leadership Elections and on changes to ACCC bylaws
2. Participate in ACCC surveys
3. Encourage colleagues to use ACCC resources & participate in ACCC activities
4. Process the annual dues invoice
5. Display & update the ACCC Membership Plaque.



New ACCC Membership Category

In 2014 the ACCC House of Delegates voted unanimously to implement the newly proposed membership category known as System Membership. This membership category extends Cancer Program Membership benefits to individuals throughout a health system's oncology service line, and provides an opportunity for discount pricing for hospitals in a participating health system. To learn more contact: jwilson@acc-cancer.org or 301.946.5069.