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## The ACCC 31st National Oncology Conference



In early October, hundreds of cancer care providers gathered in San Diego for two days of dynamic sessions focused around two track themes: **YOUR PATIENTS** and **YOUR PROGRAM**. For those of you unable to be with us in San Diego, here are some key takeaways from each track.

### Your Patients Track:

- Truly patient-centered care requires conversations to first identify and then

develop successful strategies to meet complex patient and family needs.

- Patients and families want to be active participants in treatment decision-making *and* have a say in how services are delivered.
- All cancer programs have a responsibility to conduct community outreach—particularly to at-risk and under-served populations.
- Proactive patient education provided


before the start of treatment can help improve care and patient adherence to treatment recommendations.

### Your Programs Track:

- To achieve the triple aim of improved quality, reduced cost, and enhanced services, providers will need to work together, collaboratively—*across all care settings and service lines*.
- The oncology community is exploring a number of new care models, including oncology medical homes and ACO's Requirements: being innovative and willing to change.
- The most successful cancer programs have access to and actively mine data to identify areas for improvement and marketplace differentiators.
- With the growing demand for services and a shrinking workforce, the oncology community will need to partner with primary care providers to meet the needs of cancer patients.

### Congratulations to ACCC's 2014 Innovator Award Winners

- Anne Arundel Medical Center DeCesaris Cancer Institute for its *Value-Driven Symptom Management Clinic*.
- Beaumont Cancer Institute for *Closing the Gap: An Outpatient Nutrition Clinic*.
- Duke Oncology Network, Duke Cancer Institute for *Capturing Quality Data to Improve Palliative Care*.
- New Mexico Oncology Hematology Consultants, Ltd., for its *COME HOME—A Model Oncology Medical Home*.
- Oncology Specialists, SC, for its *EMR-Driven Approach to Survivorship Care Plans*.
- University Medical Center of Princeton at Plainsboro for *From Distress Screening to Solutions: Patient-Centered Support*.

Mark your calendars today and plan on joining us in Portland, Ore., for the ACCC 32nd National Oncology Conference, Oct. 21-24, 2015. 

## A Reminder from ACCC's Bylaws Committee

December 1, 2014, is the deadline for submission of any proposed amendments to the ACCC Bylaws. Proposed recommendations should be sent to ccampbell@acc-cancer.org. ACCC's Bylaws are available online at: [www.acc-cancer.org/about/pdf/Bylaws-2008.pdf](http://www.acc-cancer.org/about/pdf/Bylaws-2008.pdf).

## ACCC Welcomes its Newest Members

### IU Health Bloomington, Cancer Program

Bloomington, Ind.  
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### Rockford Memorial Hospital Cancer Center

Rockford, Ill.  
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### Summit Physician Services

### Summit Cancer and Hematology Services

Chambersburg, Penn.  
 Delegate Rep: Janet Daniels  
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*ACCC would also like to welcome its newest chapter member*

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