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Join your state delegation and make your voice heard on Capitol Hill, Wed., March 2, 2016. Meet one-on-one with legislators to advocate on key issues impacting access to quality cancer care. Use your voice to positively influence the future of community oncology. Learn more about Capitol Hill Day at: acc-cancer.org/HillDay.

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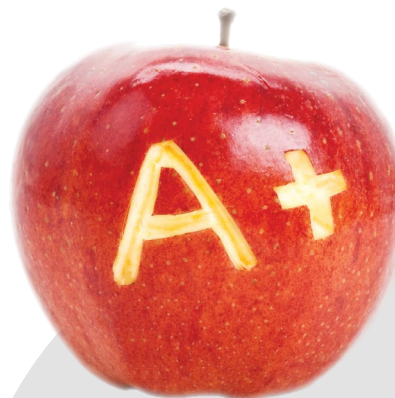


Healthcare spending grew 3.4% in 2014, with more dollars going to brand drugs; healthcare spending averaged \$4,967 per individual in 2014—up \$163 from 2013.

Source: Health Care Cost Institute. 2014 Health Care Cost and Utilization Report. healthcostinstitute.org/2014-health-care-cost-and-utilization-report.

The CAPC Palliative Care Report Card

- The number of hospital palliative care teams in the U.S. continues to increase.
- For-profit hospitals are less likely to provide palliative care services than nonprofit hospitals. Only **23%** of for-profit hospitals have palliative care; not-for-profit hospitals are **7** times more likely to have a palliative care team than for-profits.
- While the overall 2015 grade was a **B**—unchanged from 2011—**1/3** of hospitals with 50+ beds report no palliative care services, and **1/3** of states received a grade of **C** or **D**.
- Availability of palliative care services varies widely by region. Less than **1/3** of hospitals in AK, MS, and AL reported a palliative care team; in contrast, persons in the NE and mountain regions have almost universal access to hospital palliative care.



Source: CAPC. America's Care of Serious Illness: 2015 State-by-State Report Card on Access to Palliative Care in Our Nation's Hospitals. reportcard.capc.org.

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4 Staffing Tips for Oncology Practices

- Hire right, the first time.
- Let staff work to the level of their license.
- Find the right number of staff, for the right role.
- Employ advanced practitioners.

Source: Sprey E. Staffing Your Medical Practice for the Future. Physicianpractice.com.



How Does Your State Measure Up?

Key findings from a progress report on state legislative activity to reduce cancer incidence and mortality:

- Since August 2014, **Nevada** is the **only state** to significantly increase its tobacco taxes.
- **Not one state** has implemented a comprehensive, statewide smoke-free law covering all workplaces, including bars and restaurants, since 2012.
- States are currently spending **less than 2%** of tobacco tax revenue and Master Settlement Agreement payments on programs to reduce tobacco use.
- **Only 9 states**—CT, IN, MA, ME, MN, ND, OH, PA, and VT—provide comprehensive tobacco cessation coverage under Medicaid that includes individual and group counseling and all 7 FDA-approved tobacco cessation medications.
- States should strengthen **physical education** requirements in schools and implement critical **nutrition standards** for school meals to reduce cancer burden.
- Laws prohibiting indoor tanning devices for everyone under the age of 18 reduce skin cancer incidence and mortality rates.

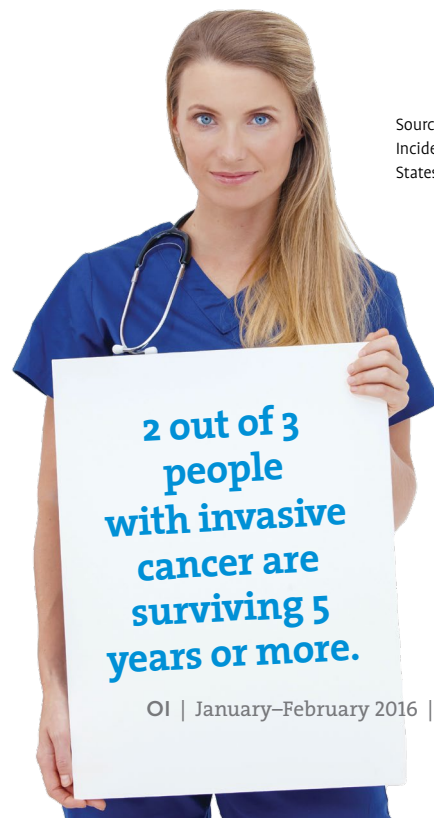
Source: The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network. acscan.org/content/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/HDYMU-2015.pdf.

Since 2006, the RAC program has saved Medicare more than \$10 Billion

Source: BNA Health Care Daily Report. Aug. 5, 2015.



Source: CDC. Invasive Cancer Incidence and Survival – United States, 2011. cdc.gov/mmwr.



2 out of 3 people with invasive cancer are surviving 5 years or more.