

# What Are the Barriers to Efficient Multidisciplinary Treatment of Stage III/IV Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer in the US?

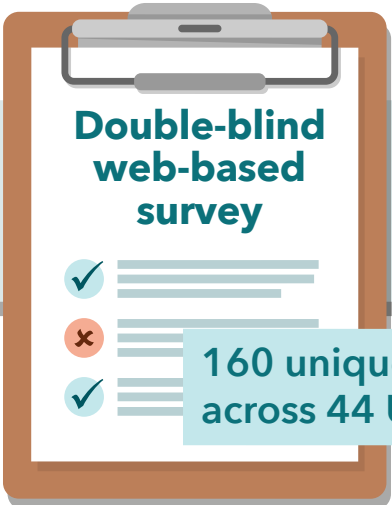


Multidisciplinary team (MDT) care is patient-centric and increases the quality of cancer treatment

However, insufficient characterization of MDT practice patterns is a barrier in the optimal treatment of non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)



## ? What are the barriers to effective MDT implementation and how can MDTs be optimized for NSCLC treatment?



Insights on care delivery for patients with stage III/IV NSCLC



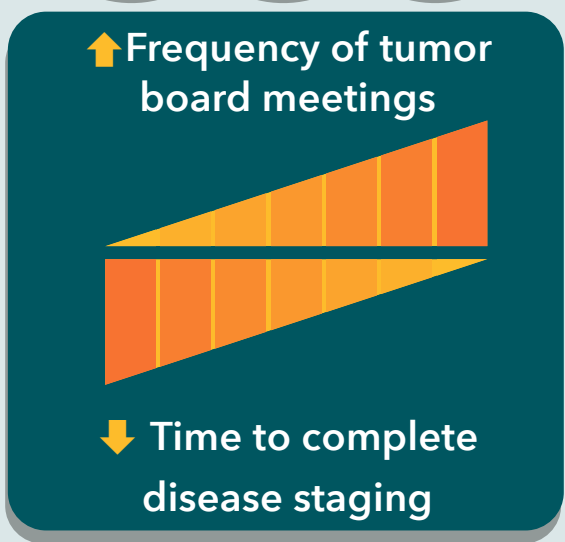
**41%** of respondents' cancer programs did not have a thoracic multidisciplinary clinic



Nurse navigators and radiation oncologists were significantly more likely to engage in shared decision-making



### The most challenging barriers to MDT treatment of NSCLC



**Care coordination**  
Treatment costs



**Diagnosis**  
Insufficient biopsy material



**Screening**  
Lack of community awareness of screening programs



**Multiple opportunities exist to improve MDT care delivery and quality for patients with stage III/IV NSCLC**

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