NAVIGATING ACROSS THE QUALITY CHASM IN THORACIC ONCOLOGY

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Lung Cancer Care is Complex!

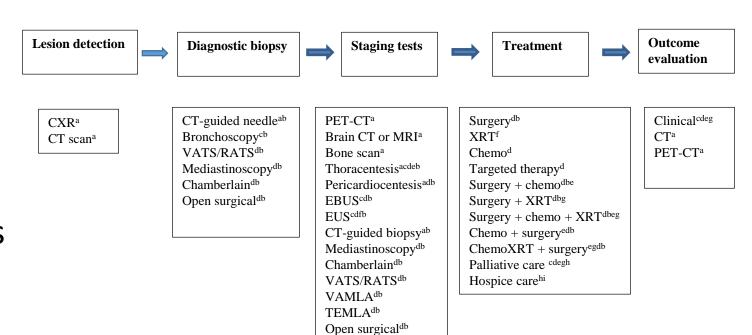
Anatomy

Patient characteristics

Widening array of options

Provider factors

Care-delivery systems



INVOLVED PHYSICIAN SPECIALIST

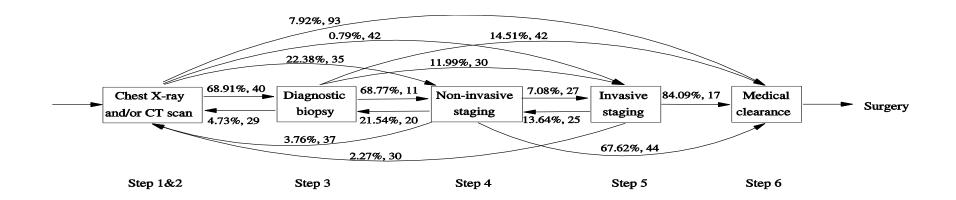
a Radiologist; b Pathologist; c Pulmonologist; d Surgeon; e Medical Oncologist; f Gastroenterologist; g Radiation Oncologist; h Palliative care specialist; i Hospice care specialist.





....and complicated!

The pathway to lung cancer surgery...







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Stakeholder Perspectives: Multidisciplinary Model

| | Patients & Caregivers | Physicians | Hospital Admins. | Health Insurance |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------------|------------------|
| Benefits | | | | |
| Physician collaboration | + | + | + | + |
| Coordinated care | + | + | + | + |
| Concordance with recommendations | + | + | + | + |
| Timeliness of care | + | + | + | + |
| Challenges | | | | |
| Financial disincentives | | + | | |
| Scheduling conflicts | | + | | |
| Conflicting treatment opinions | | + | | |
| Lack of validated benchmarks | | | + | + |
| Effectiveness of Multi-D | | | + | + |





Stakeholder Priorities for Benchmarking

- Patients, caregivers:
 - timeliness; communication; navigation across systems.
- Clinicians:
 - timeliness; communication with referring physicians; respect for pre-existing relationships
- Administrators:
 - access to care; patient satisfaction; cost-effectiveness
- Insurance executives:
 - concordance; resource utilization; prevention of hospitalization; evidencebased care delivery





Benchmarking: what is 'timely care'?

- Waiting times from Lesion Detection to Treatment Onset:
 - 60 days (MD) vs. 57 days (SC).
 - 49 days (MD) vs. 43 days (SC).
- Patient satisfaction with
 - Timeliness from diagnosis to treatment: 4.9 v 4.6 p = .03
 - Combined quality of care from team members: 15.9 v 14.4, p<.001
- Caregiver satisfaction with
 - Overall quality of care: 16.33 v 14.14, p<.01



