Advanced Practice Provider Dedicated Follow-up/Survivorship Clinics

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Meetings to Address Workforce Issues

IOM 2005 From Cancer Patient to Survivor

ASCO 2006 Future of the Oncologist Workforce

• IOM 2008 Ensuring Quality Care through the

Oncology Workforce

Overarching Question:

"Who will care for cancer survivors in the future?"

- Recommendations: Changing traditional models of care
 - Integrate & expand the role of APPs within the collaborative/team-based care model

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IOM Report 2006

From Cancer Patient to Cancer Transition: Lost in Transition

- How many survivors receive comprehensive survivorship care?
 - Many are "lost in transition"

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- Transition from active treatment to survivorship care
 - How is this accomplished & by whom?
 - How is the patient prepared for this transition & educated about plan?
- "Patients completing primary treatment should be provided with a comprehensive 1) treatment summary & 2) follow-up plan that is clearly & effectively explained."
 - Cancer type, treatments, & consequences
 - Timing & content of follow-up care

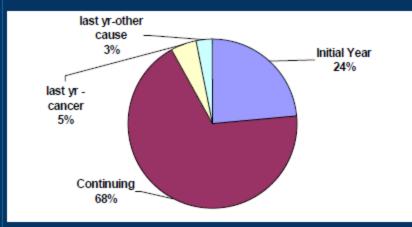


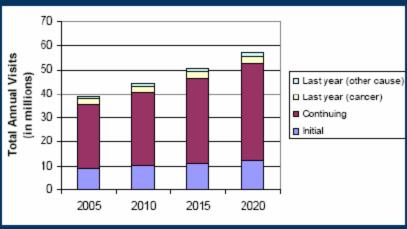
Key Findings

- Supply of oncology visits will rise about 14%
 - Aging workforce
 - Limited plans for new training slots
- Demand for visits will be up about 48% by 2020
 - Aging population (48% increase in incidence)
 - Increased cancer survivorship (81% increase)
- Challenge for entire oncology care system
 - Project a shortfall of 2,550 to 4,080 oncologists by 2020
 - Assuring access and quality care will require a concerted and multi-faceted effort and significant changes to practice of oncology
- Study with alternate methodology confirmed findings



Survivorship Care





By 2020, 81% increase in cancer survivorship

Oncologists Survey:

•68% of oncologist visits are for continuing care

Initial Analysis:

- •Collaboration with primary care providers and use of NPs/PAs
- Best practices for survivorship care

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Some Issues for Cancer Care & Survivorship Care

Any model of cancer care & survivorship care that does not take into account:

- Increasing complexity cancer care
- Increasing complexity of survivorship care when done well
- Oncology workforce issues
- PCP workforce issues
- Financial considerations
- Space issues
- Need to provide care in academic & community settings

Will likely not succeed in meeting the needs of these patients

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Integrated Care Model

- Survivorship follow-up visits in all oncology collaborative practices
 - APP survivorship/follow-up visits at the end of treatment/yearly
 - Treatment summary & care plan completed & discussed
- Referral to Primary Care
 - variable timing/disease specific
- Education & information dissemination
 - patients, oncology/primary care providers, sub-specialists
- Outcome evaluation
 - patients & providers

2019 Cancer Survivorship/Follow-up Care





Penn Model: Goals Advanced Practice Provider (APP) Led Cancer Follow-up Care

- Goal: Improving Patient Care through Clinical Practice reorganization
 - better survivorship/follow-up care
 - increased New Patient Visit slots in MD schedules
 - Increased ability to manage on-treatment patients

Requires provider & administration buy-in & support

Penn Model: Principles Oncology APP Led Cancer Follow-up Care

Physician/administration supported model

- APPs provide independent survivorship/follow-up care
 - within the oncology practice
 - separate from acute care/treatment practice

- APP practice can occur within
 - Medical, surgical, or radiation oncology
- Good survivorship care = Good ongoing follow-up care

Practice Structure

- Follow-up visits within oncology practices
- APPs identified to lead the effort, and committed to provide care
- Medicine, surgery, radiation oncology all participate
- Non-redundant, efficient care supported by Penn developed pathways (when care transitions to follow-up clinic and which specialty follows pts
 - NCCN, ACS, ASCO, etc. guidelines used in development
- Financial decisions support model

Models for Follow-up Care

1. End of Treatment patients

- Options for Meeting NAPBC & COC standards
 - Treatment APP does Survivorship Care Plan (SCP) at the end of treatment
 - 2. Consultation with APPs in follow-up clinics for SCP

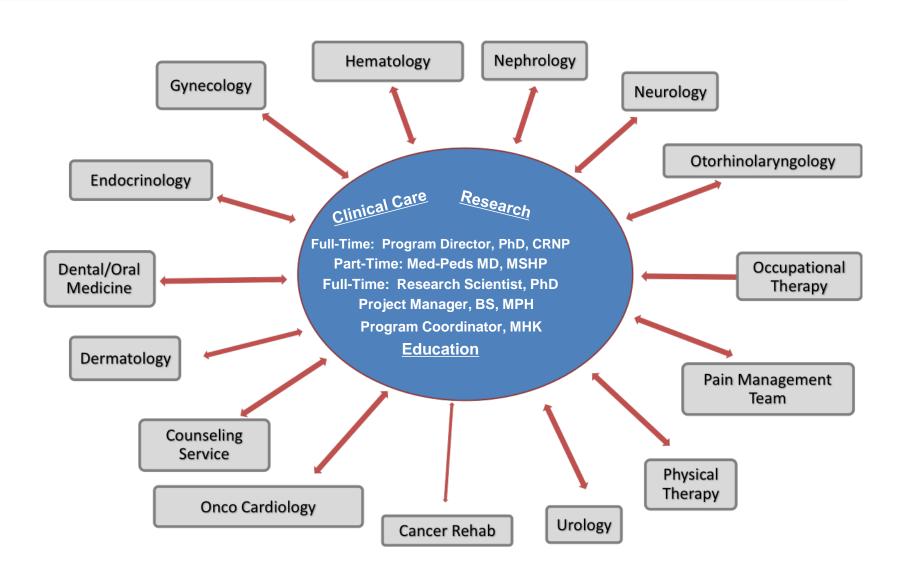
2. Long term follow-up patients

- Appropriate patients from practice referred to & seen in Follow-up Clinic
- NOT transferring care out of practice or to primary care (shared care with PCP who manages diabetes, etc)

Metrics for Success

- Clinical practice reorganization
 - Data needed to support implementation and sustainability
 - Decreased new patient wait time/increase in new patients
 - Increase percent of new pts on physician schedules
 - Improved patient satisfaction
 - Increased revenue
 - Health economic implications of managing risk

Coordination of Care and Research



Lessons Learned at Penn

- All oncology patients should have
 - PCP/internist/family physician
- Transition some patients/certain diseases out of oncology (Risk Stratification)
 - Very low risk
 - Disease recurrence
 - Long-term/late effects
- Majority of patients stay in the oncology practices
 - Select low/moderate risk patients transition to APP follow-up clinic for that disease
- Ongoing challenge
 - Future directions aided by technology

Goals for 2019

 Further development of guidelines & Penn pathways for follow-up care for each cancer

 On-going education for providers centered around risk-stratification model

 Continued endorsement by leadership to advance utilization of follow-up clinics & APPs





Better Clinical Care Through Technology

- Use of Electronic Systems & Internet-Based programs
 - IT Integration of data into Electronic Health Record (EHR)
 - Web-based Interface
 - EHR data & Registry data mapped
 - Auto-populate
 - » SCPs within EHR, within visit note
 - » Appears in EPIC Encounter
 - Ongoing work with IT/EPIC groups
 - Better use/expansion of EPIC capabilities



Thank you!!