Overarching Challenges of Multidisciplinary and Multispecialty Expert Care for Patients Living With and Beyond Cancer

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Current and Projected Cancer Survivors in the US

1,958,310

New cancer cases in US in 2023

16,920,370

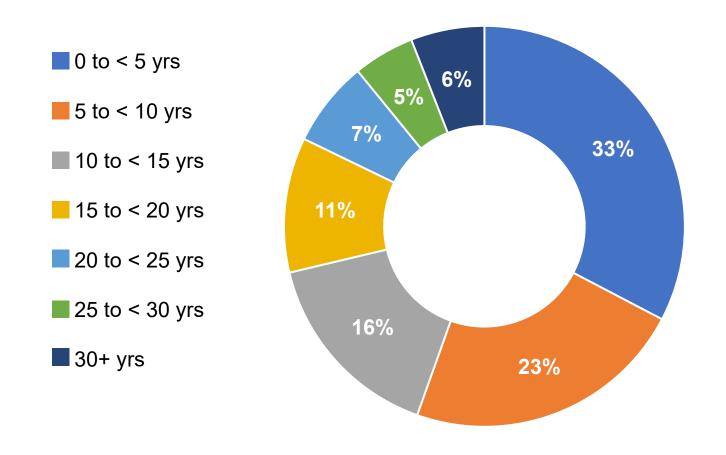
Individuals alive with a history of cancer in US in 2019

22,100,000

Individuals estimated alive with a history of cancer in US in 2030



US Cancer Survivors: Years From Diagnosis

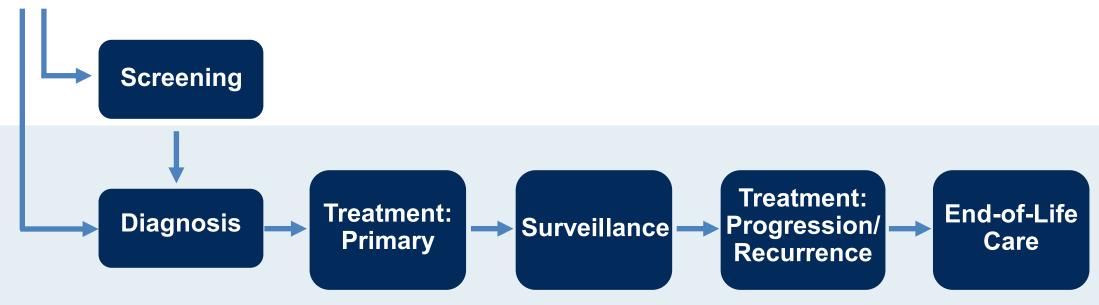


ACS Cancer Treatment & Survivorship Facts & Figures 2019-2021



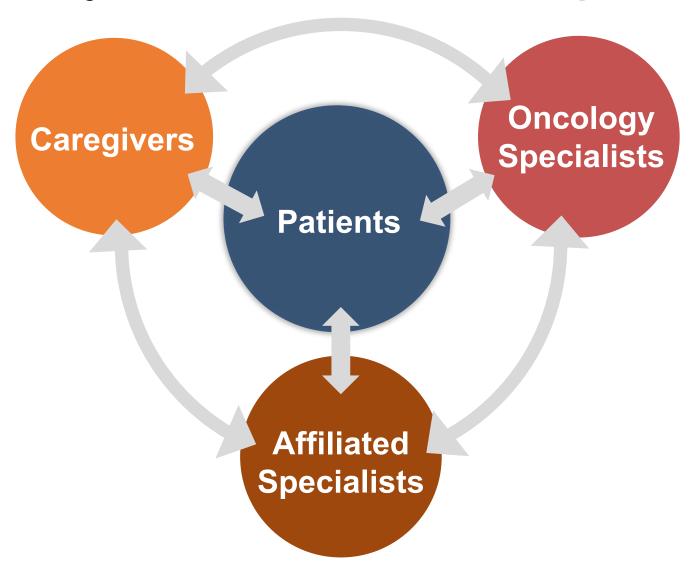
Continuum of Cancer Experience/Care

Risk Assessment





Dynamic Relationships





Types of Health Care Workers Across the Cancer Care Continuum

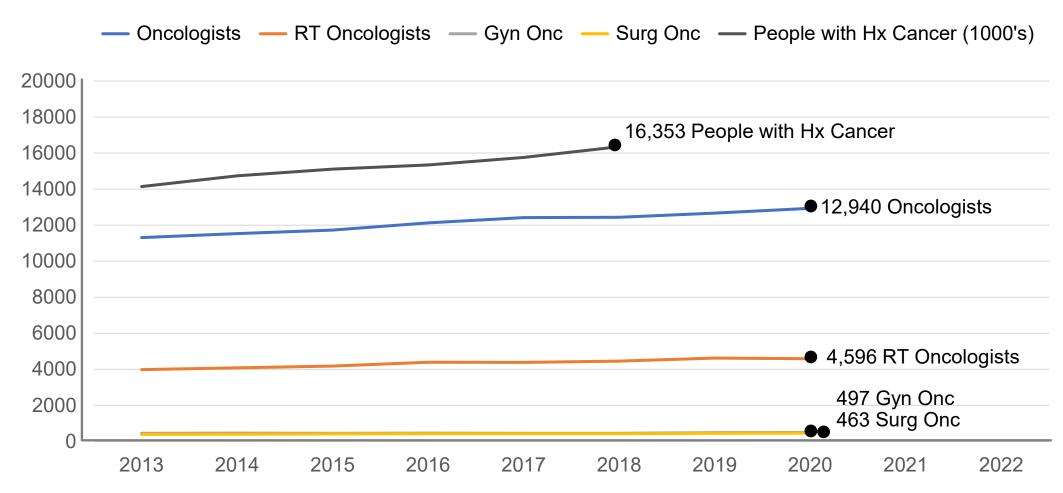
- Medical oncology
- Surgery/surgical oncology
- Radiation oncology
- Hematology
- Stem cell transplantation
- Pediatric hematology/oncology
- Pediatrics
- Urology
- Neurology/neuro-oncology
- Gynecologic oncology
- Otolaryngology
- Orthopedics/ orthopedic oncology
- Pathology
- Dermatology

- Internal medicine/ family practice
- Obstetrics, gynecology
- Gastroenterology
- Endocrinology
- Diagnostic radiology
- Interventional radiology
- Nursing
- Cancer genetics
- Psychiatry, psychology
- Pulmonary medicine
- Pharmacology/pharmacy
- Infectious diseases
- Allergy/immunology
- Anesthesiology
- Cardiology

- Nephrology
- Geriatric medicine
- Epidemiology
- Patient advocates
- Palliative care
- Pain management
- Pastoral Care
- Social work
- Physical therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Dentistry
- Navigators
- Research assistants
- Fertility specialists
- AND MORE!



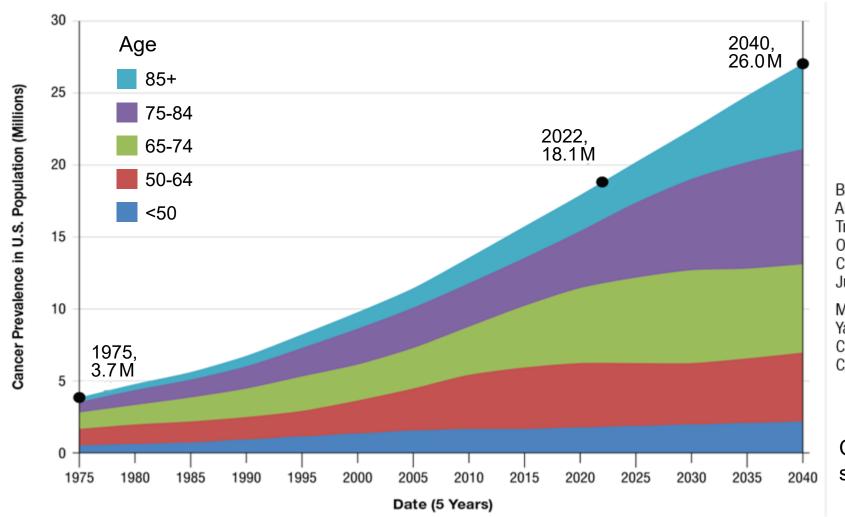
Oncology Specialists and Cancer Survivors



ASCO Key Trends in Tracking Supply of and Demand for Oncologists, August 2020



Cancer Prevalence and Projections in US from 1975-2040



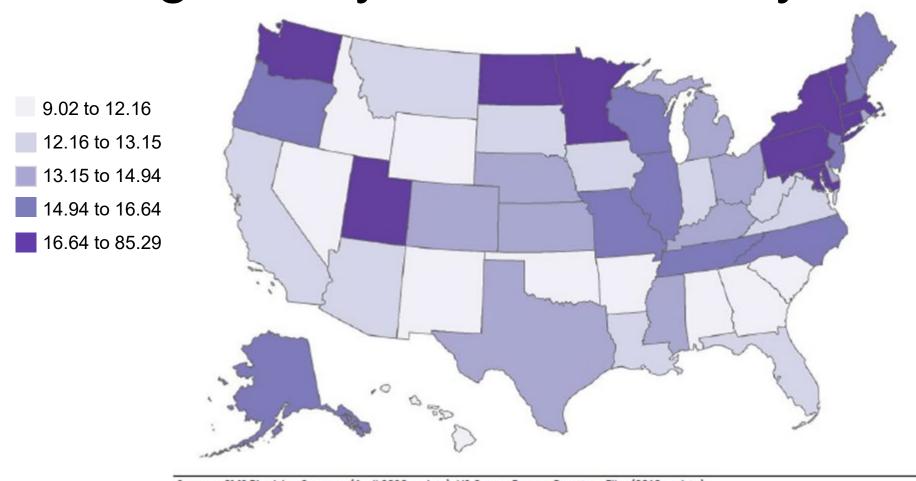
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Cancercontrol.cancer.gov/ocs/ statistics#graphs



Oncologists per 100,000 Residents Aged 55 years or Older by State



Sources: CMS Physician Compare (April 2020 update), US Census Bureau Gazetteer Files (2019 update)



Implications of Healthcare Setting

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>	ACADEMIC CENTER	COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	PRIVATE PRACTICE	GOVERNMENTAL
Workforce	Extensive and diverse	Limited and variably diverse	Limited	Variable
Systems integration	Extensive	Variable	Limited	Variable
Demand on affiliated specialties	Moderate	Low to Moderate	Low	Moderate
Access to affiliated specialties	Easy	Variable	Challenging	Variable



Challenges of Integrating Multiple Specialists

- Training the workforce
- Establishing the team, including many who will spend limited time in the game
- Assuring availability
- Coordinating referrals and follow-up
- Geographical and site of care diversity
- Financial viability, especially for high-demand, low (or no) 3rd party reimbursable services





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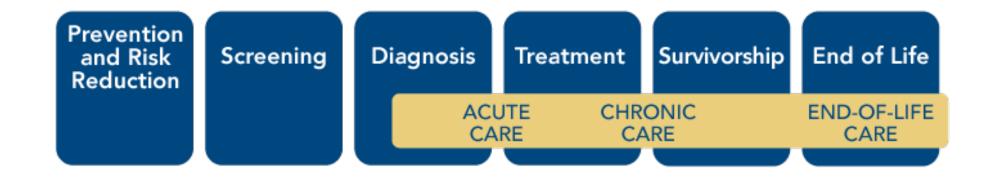
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Progress in Cancer Care

- Rapidly changing evidence
- People living longer
- More survivors
- New treatment options

- Better supportive care
- Post treatment follow-up/ survivorship care
- End-of-life care/hospice





The Cancer Care Continuum: Need for Multidisciplinary & Multispecialty Care What is the Cancer Care Continuum?

Used since the mid-1970s to describe

- Cancer prevention
- Early detection
- Diagnosis
- Treatment
- End-of-life

Evolved over time

- Survivorship added
- Rehabilitation as part of treatment and survivorship care

Oversimplified/crosscutting



Cancer Care

FOCUS Etiology Prevention Detection Diagnosis Treatment Survivorship · Shared and Environmental Tobacco control Pap/HPV Curative Coping factors testing informed treatment Diet Disease decision · Genetic factors Mammography Non-curative surveillance Physical activity making treatment Gene-environment Fecal occult Symptom Sun protection interactions blood test Adherence management HPV vaccine · Medication (or Colonoscopy Symptom Health Limited alcohol pharmaceutical promotion management Lung cancer use exposure) for survivors screening Chemoprevention · Infectious agents · Health behaviors

CROSSCUTTING AREAS

- Implementation Science
- Health Care Delivery
- Epidemiology
- Measurement

- Communications
- Surveillance
- Health Disparities
- · Decision Making



Follow-up/Survivorship Care 2001-present Penn Medicine: Abramson Cancer Center

Advanced practice provider-led/oncologist collaborative practices

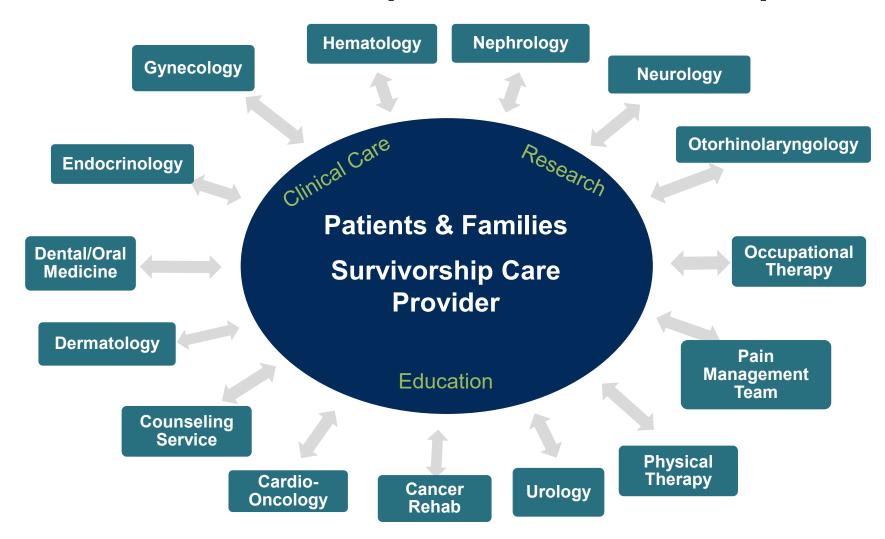
- Disease-based clinics
- General survivorship/follow-up care clinic
- Long term survivors presenting with complex problems, late effects
- Follow-up care within the practices
- Referrals for primary and specialty care as needed

Multidisciplinary/ multispecialty care barriers and solutions

- Determine resource availability
- Determine interest among providers
- Establish relationships



Cancer Follow-up / Survivorship Care





Challenges to Providing Care: Identifying Issues/Implementing Solutions

- Education of providers MDs, APPs
- Cancer screening, disease surveillance
- Specialty preparation and availability
- Academic medical center
- Community center
- Demographics
- Shortage of providers
- Care not available to everyone

- Critical multispecialty/ multidisciplinary care
- Follow-up care
 - Exposure driven
 - Surgery
 - Radiation (areas of body)
 - Chemo (types of drugs)

Now we'll take a 30-year journey with one of many like patients' post-treatment



AM: Female Hodgkin Lymphoma Survivor, Survivorship Clinic 2008

1994

Age 28

Stage IIA mixed cellularity Hodgkin Lymphoma

- Splenectomy
- 4000cGy mantle and 3600cGy pelvic pedicle radiation

Medical, surgical & radiation oncology

2012

Age 46

Thyroid failure

 Hormone replacement

Gallbladder polyps/adenomas

 Surgery removal of gallbladder

Endocrine, general surgery

2013

Age 47

Breast right subareolar mass, extra-nodal marginal zone lymphoma of mucosaassociated lymphoid tissues (MALT lymphomabreast)

Partial mastectomy

Parotid tumor/ mucoepidermoid carcinoma, salivary gland neoplasm

Excision

Surgical & medical oncology (lymphoma service), ENT

2014

Age 48

Sinus tachycardia, coronary artery disease

Medical management

Community cardiology

2015

Age 49

Gastroesophageal junction biopsy, intestinal metaplasia/ negative for dysplasia

GI – endoscopy, medical oncology 2017

Age 51

Sinus tachycardia, hyperlipidemia, aortic insufficiency, moderate coronary artery disease

Medical management

Community cardiology

2023

Age 57

Moderately differentiated adenocarcinoma gastroesophageal junction, atrial fib, pulmonary embolus

- Atrial esophagectomy (open chest/abd surgery)
- Discharged to home follow-up with med onc/survivorship care, cardio-oncology, PCP

GI & thoracic surgery, cardio-oncology, pulmonary, home care, PCP, endocrine, PT, nutrition (lost 25+ lbs)



What Next? Solutions? ...Implementation

Are there guidelines for following AM's numerous issues?

- Needs changing over time
- Who should care for AM?
- Coordinating multidisciplinary and multispecialty care
- Multidisciplinary/multispecialty workforce issues?
- Availability
- Level of expertise

What did/do we know then and now? The future?

- Immune therapy?
- Oral chemotherapy?
- Proton therapy?