



Cancer Liaison Physician Activities

The following is a list of cancer program activities that the Cancer Liaison Physician (CLP) can become involved in. Expectations are that the CLP complete at least one activity in each of the three focus areas every year during his/her three-year term. This menu of options provides the CLP with the flexibility to become involved where there is the most need and the best fit within his/her own cancer program. CLPs are not required to complete all documented tasks, and can share activities listed here with other members of the cancer committee.

1. Serve as the Physician Champion within your Cancer Program

Goal: To obtain and maintain CoC Approval
To improve the quality of cancer care

Objectives: Serve on the facility cancer committee
Advocate for your cancer registry
Facilitate accurate physician staging
Evaluate your facility's compliance with adopted guidelines
Promote participation in clinical trials
Facilitate quality improvement initiatives
Promote your CoC Approval

2. Serve as the Liaison Between the CoC and your Cancer Program

Goal: To promulgate CoC initiatives at the local level

Objectives: Regularly report CoC initiatives to the cancer committee
Spearhead CoC quality studies within the cancer program
Support your facility's participation in CoC special studies
Facilitate participation in the Facility Information Profile System (FIPS)
Ensure timely and quality submission of NCDB data
Play a role in CoC survey preparation and participation
Attend meetings held by the CoC and State Chair
Provide feedback on your role to the CoC

3. Serve as an Agent of Change in the Community

Goal: To develop and strengthen relationships with the American Cancer Society
To reduce the burden of cancer in the community

Objectives: Facilitate provision of support services and community outreach activities
Facilitate your cancer program's relationship with ACS
Invite ACS staff to cancer committee meetings
Become involved in the state cancer plan
Become engaged in the community