



# State Chair Town Hall

July 29, 2026

Commission on Cancer

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Michigan



# CoC Update

- Monthly CLP and Accreditation Site Visit Lists
- Post Town Hall Communications
- Upcoming Meetings:
  - CLP Meeting: September 16
  - ACS Clinical Congress 2026: September 26-29 in Washington, DC
    - CoC meetings: Saturday, September 26



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# Principles of Cancer Staging

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Past Chair, AJCC

Chair, AJCC Cancer Recurrence Staging Workgroup



# Goals of Today's Presentation

- Describe and provide AJCC cancer staging resources to all CLPs
  - Review the AJCC website [cancerstaging.org](https://cancerstaging.org) educational resources
- Provide an overview of an AJCC Principles of Cancer Staging slide deck available to all CLPs

# American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC)

Cancer program of the American College of Surgeons

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- [American Association of Pathologists' Assistants](#)
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# AJCC website - cancerstaging.org

Overview tab:

## CANCER PROGRAMS

### Learn the Principles of Cancer Staging

AJCC Chapter 1: Principles of Cancer Staging is available as a free download. Chapter 1 provides overall rules for AJCC cancer staging that apply across all tumor sites.

AJCC 8<sup>th</sup> Ed Cancer Staging Manual: Chapter 1: Rules of cancer staging

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## Principles of Cancer Staging

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# AJCC Principles of Cancer Staging Slide Deck

- Freely available to all CLPs:
- Designed to be a resource for presentations to physicians, cancer committees, trainee lectures, and in tumor board presentations/discussions
- The lengthy presentation can be tailored to audience and time allocation
- Presenter notes are provided in most slides
- “take-home” points are emphasized in several slides



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# AJCC Principles of Cancer Staging Slide Deck – General Sections



# Background of AJCC

- 1959 - North American effort first organized as the American Joint Committee for Cancer Staging and End Results Reporting (AJC)
- Jointly formed by the *American College of Surgeons, American College of Radiology, College of American Pathologists, College of Physicians, American Cancer Society & the National Cancer Institute*
- 1970 - AJC adopted “objectives, rules & regulations of the AJC” – resulted in formulation and publication of systems of classification of cancer
- 1977 - First Edition of AJC staging manual published in 1977
- 1980 - AJCC changed its name to American Joint Committee on Cancer

# Uses of Cancer Staging

- Determine prognosis
- Guide treatment recommendations
- Facilitate the exchange and comparison of information between providers and treatment centers, both nationally and internationally.
- Facilitate clinical research and evaluate the results of treatments and clinical trials
- Provide longitudinal **cancer surveillance** statistics (CDC-NPCR and NCI - SEER)
- measure **early detection** efforts and impact of screening

# Cancer Staging Essentials

- To effectively care for any patient with cancer it is essential to consider three factors:
- The site/organ of origin of the cancer
  - e.g. lung, prostate, breast
- The histological and biological characteristics
  - if lung cancer: non small cell (NSCLC) or small cell cancer?
  - if prostate cancer: what is the tumor grade?
  - if breast cancer: what is the hormone receptor status, HER2 status and grade?
- The extent of the cancer - The globally accepted method of describing anatomical extent of cancer is the **TNM Classification**.

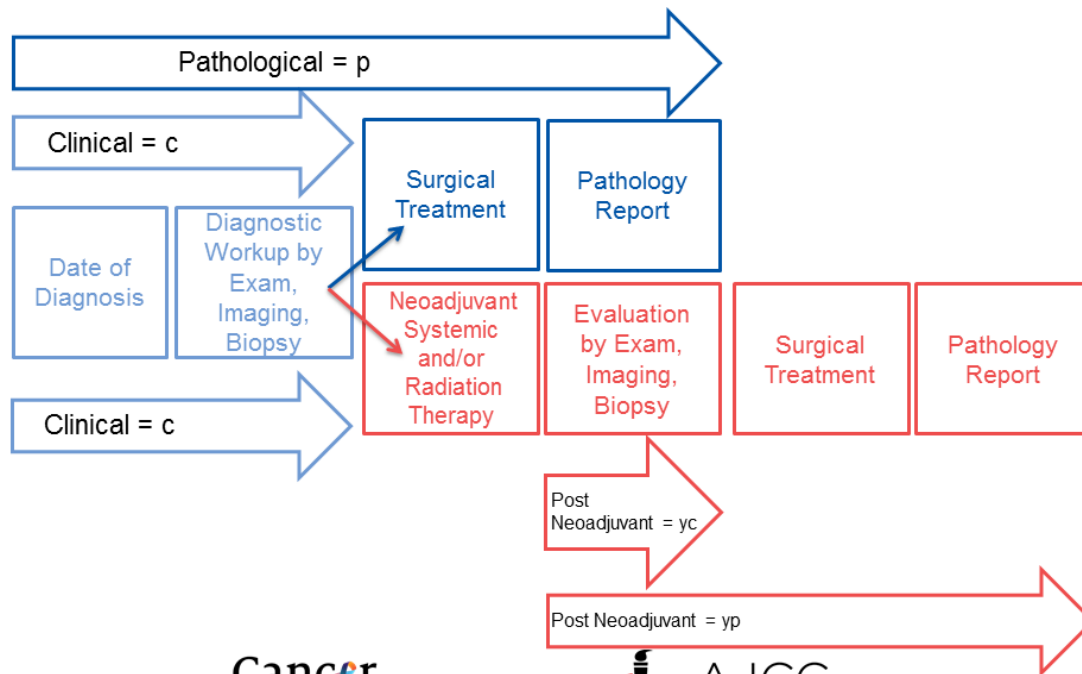
# Rules of Cancer Staging

- T-, N-, and M- are categories, NOT "T-stage, N-stage, M-stage"
- Clinical and Pathological staging
  - Clinical stage is based on physical examination, biopsy, imaging, and other methods of diagnostic workup, e.g. endoscopy
  - Pathological stage is documented after removal of the primary tumor +/- regional nodes or even the entire organ, e.g. prostate
- cTNM Stage applies to the initial presentation ONLY

# Understanding Stage Classifications

## AJCC Stage Classifications

Defining Time Frame and Criteria



# Clinical Classification- cTNM

Clinical stage classification is based on patient history, physical examination, imaging, and any procedure performed before initiation of treatment, e.g. endoscopy.

- No specific imaging is required to assign a clinical stage for any cancer site.
- Imaging study information may be used for clinical staging
- Biopsy information on regional lymph nodes and/or other sites of metastatic disease may be included in the clinical classification.



# Case Example

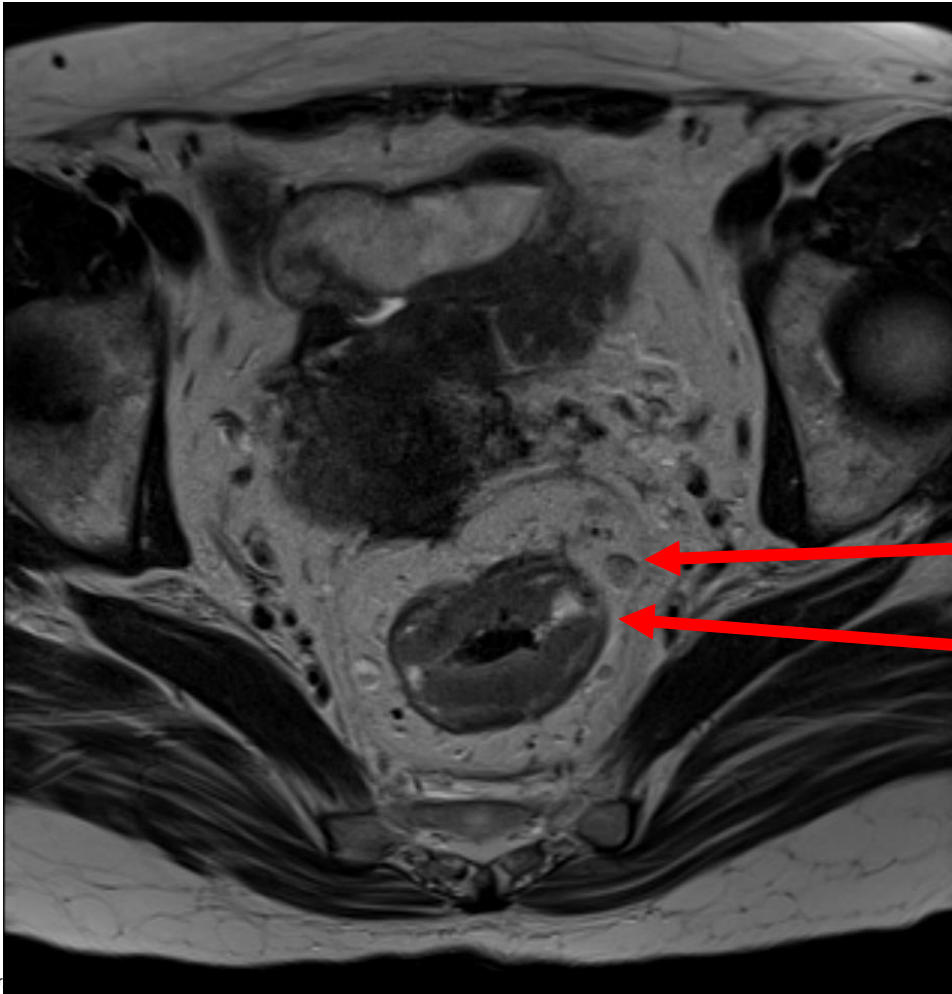


Image of MRI

cT3N1

Rectal cancer

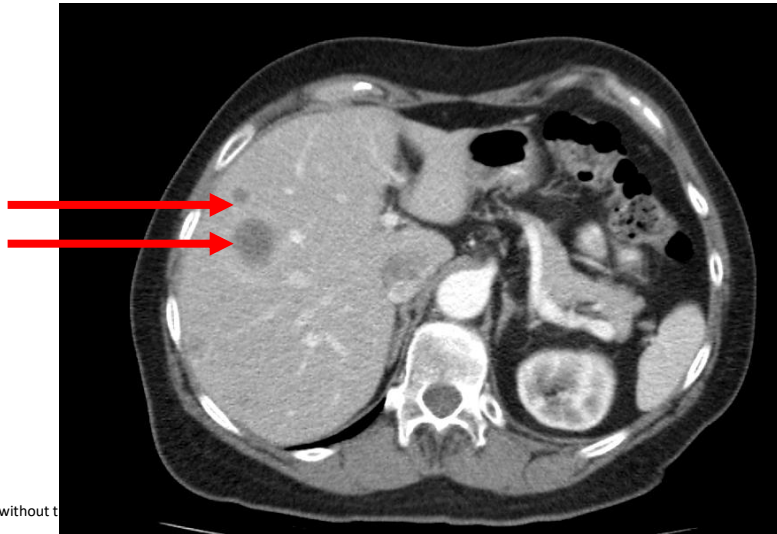
Abnormal perirectal  
lymph Node

T3 Rectal Cancer as it invades  
through muscularis propria

# Case Example - Further Imaging Studies for Clinical Staging

- CT CAP reveals multiple liver metastases
- Needle biopsy positive for metastatic rectal CA
- cM1a (metastasis to one site or organ without peritoneal metastasis)

Liver metastases



# Therefore, the Stage Group is:

## AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 8<sup>th</sup> Ed

| When T is... | And N is... | And M is... | Then the stage group is... |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| Tis          | N0, NX      | M0          | 0                          |
| T1, T2       | N0          | M0          | I                          |
| T3           | N0          | M0          | IIA                        |
| T4a          | N0          | M0          | IIB                        |
| T4b          | N0          | M0          | IIC                        |
| any T        | N1-N2       | M0          | III                        |
| T1–T2        | N1/N1c      | M0          | IIIA                       |
| T1           | N2a         | M0          | IIIA                       |
| T3–T4a       | N1/N1c      | M0          | IIIB                       |
| T2–T3        | N2a         | M0          | IIIB                       |
| T1–T2        | N2b         | M0          | IIIB                       |
| T4a          | N2a         | M0          | IIIC                       |
| T3–T4a       | N2b         | M0          | IIIC                       |
| T4b          | N1-N2       | M0          | IIIC                       |
| Any T        | Any N       | M1          | IV                         |
| Any T        | Any N       | M1a         | IVA                        |
| Any T        | Any N       | M1b         | IVB                        |
| Any T        | Any N       | M1c         | IVC                        |

- T3N1aM1a
- Stage IVA

# Pathological Classification (pTNM)

pTNM classification is applicable when surgery is performed and before initiation of adjuvant radiation or systemic therapy if indicated.

pTNM is composed of information from:

- Clinical staging from diagnostic workup
- Operative findings
- Pathology review of resected surgical specimens



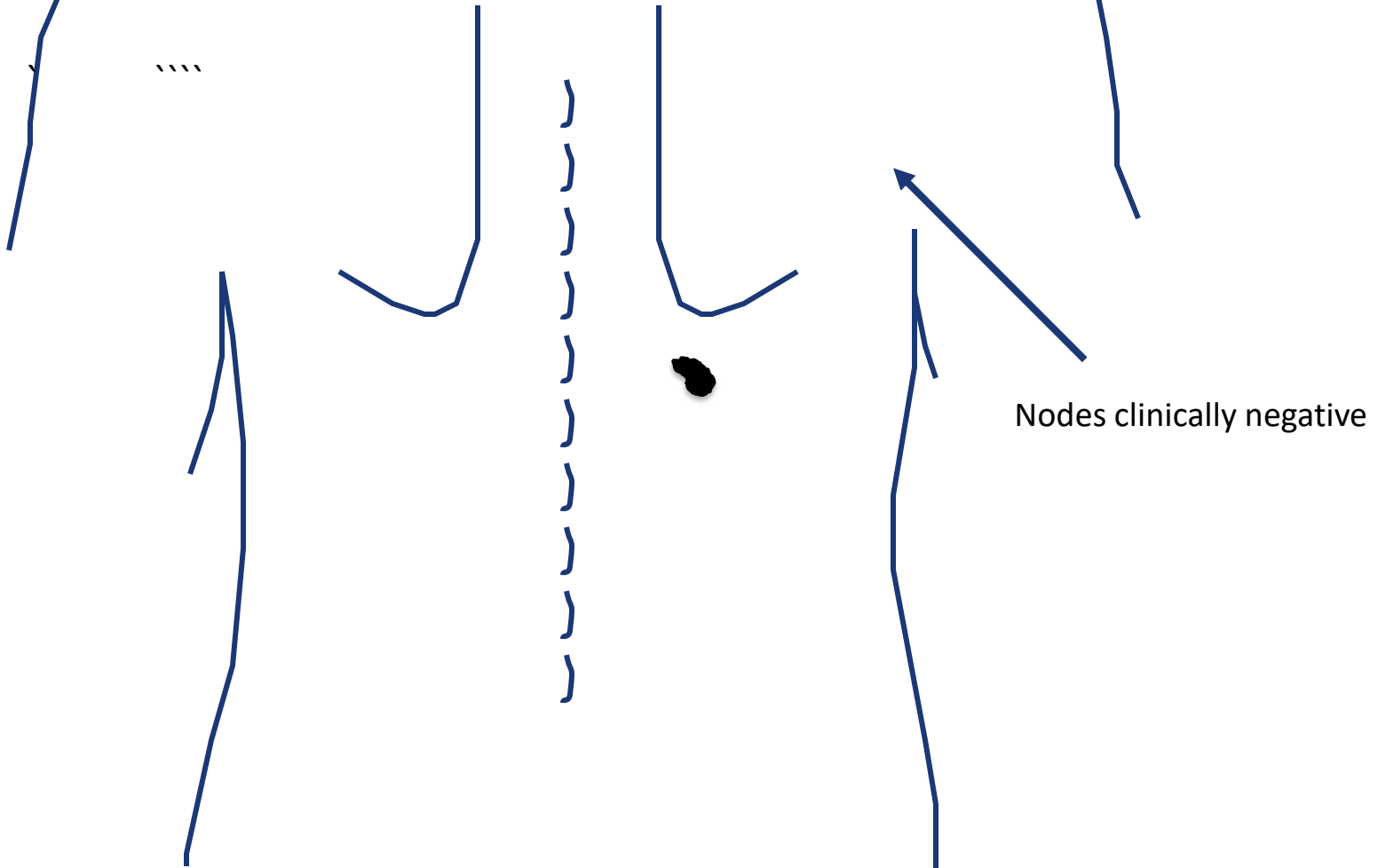
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# Staging After Initial Treatment with Curative Intent for localized Disease



# 45 y/o man with itchy mole Right Back





**1.8 X 0.8 cm**



# College of American Pathology Reporting Template - Melanoma

- A) Skin, right back, punch biopsy:**
1. Approximate Breslow thickness: **at least 1.5 mm.**
  2. Clark's Level: IV.
  3. Ulceration: **present**
  4. Mitotic rate: 3/mm<sup>2</sup>.
  5. Lymphocapillary invasion: None identified.
  6. Satellitosis: None identified.
  7. Perineural invasion: None identified.
  8. Lymphocytic infiltrate: Not brisk
  9. Regression: None identified.
  10. Margins: Peripheral margins positive for melanoma.
  11. Melanoma in situ: Present.
  12. Biopsy site identified.

Features in **red** are used for T category



# Clinical Stage after Biopsy

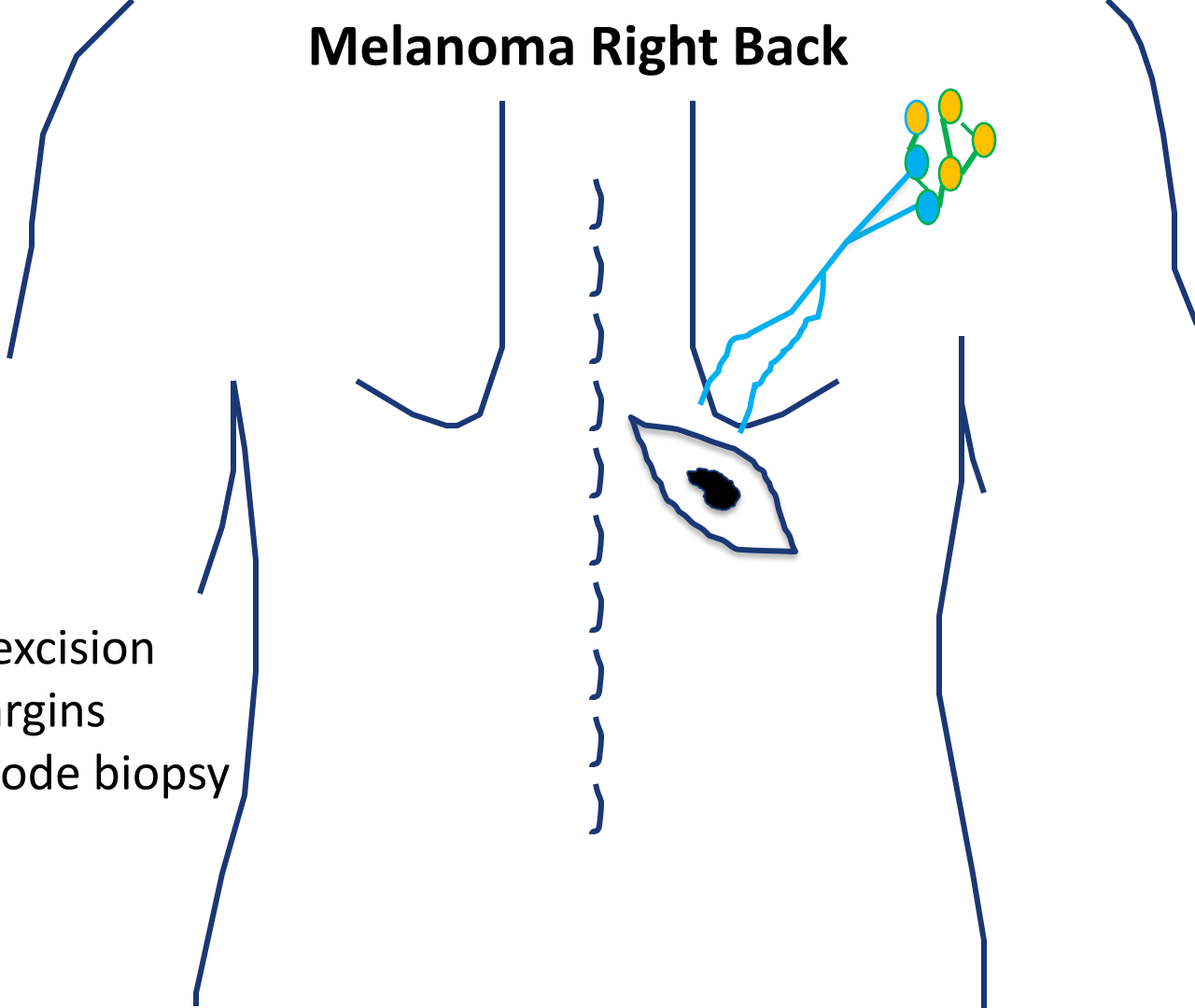
- At least cT2b (1-2 mm with ulceration)
- cN0 - regional nodes normal to palpation
- cM0 – no symptoms suggestive of distant metastasis

Stage group: At least IIA

Amin M, et al: AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 8<sup>th</sup> Ed, 2016

# Melanoma Right Back

Treatment:  
Wide local excision  
w/ 1 cm margins  
+ sentinel node biopsy



# Surgical Pathology

- Superficial spreading melanoma
- Thickness: 1.8 mm thick
- Margins widely free
- 1 of 2 sentinel nodes positive for melanoma
  - Largest nodal deposit – 1 mm
  - No extranodal extension

# Pathological Stage after Surgery

- pT2b (1-2 mm with ulceration)
- pN1a (sn\*) – one positive node
- cM0 – no symptoms suggestive of distant metastasis + staging CT  
C/A/P negative

Stage group: IIIB

\*node(s) found positive only on sentinel node biopsy are designated **sn**

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# Rules of Cancer Staging – Prognostic Stage Group

- Chapter 1 of the AJCC 8<sup>th</sup> Ed Cancer Staging Manual is a comprehensive review of the rules of cancer staging
- Assigning stage group means:
  - T category
  - N category
  - M category
  - Non anatomic factors
- **Non-anatomic factors** are used to assign a **Prognostic Stage Group** for some disease sites
- Prognostic Stage group is required when available

# Evolution to Prognostic Staging: Breast Cancer

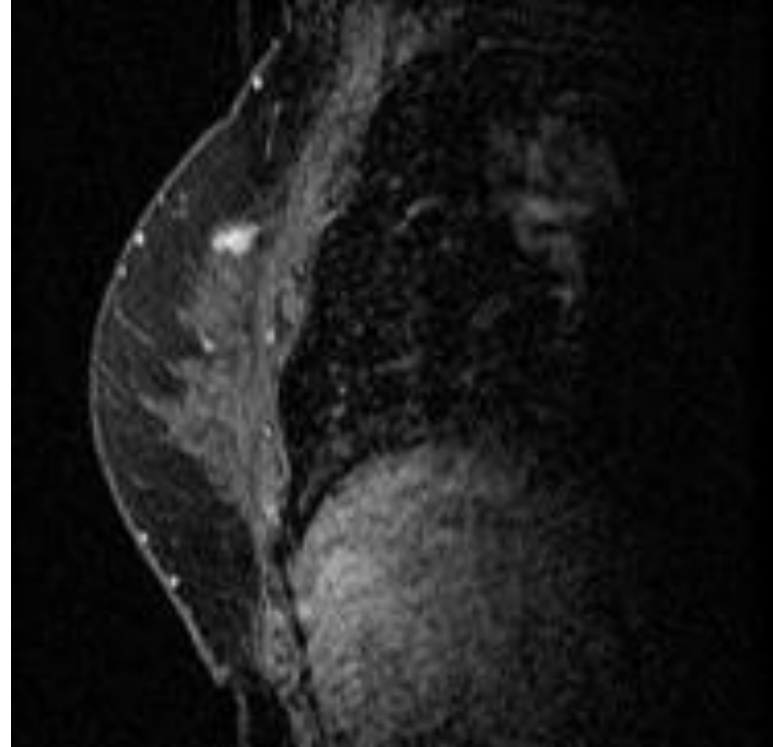
- AJCC 8<sup>th</sup> Edition Breast Staging incorporates key prognostic factors into primary staging
  - Anatomic stage groups still maintained
    - Clinical and pathological Stage
    - When biomarkers cannot be assessed
- “Prognostic Stage” - stage recorded in US cancer registries
- Requires:
  - T, N, and M
  - Grade; HER2; Estrogen Receptor; Progesterone Receptor
  - Genomic profiles (OncotypeDx™) as appropriate

# Case Example - Limitations of Anatomical Breast Cancer Staging

Diagnostic mammography 2.5 cm mass

Similar Clinical presentations - 2 pts:

- 42F w/ 2.5 cm breast mass, clinically node negative
- 75F w/ 2.5 cm breast mass, clinically node negative



# Case Example - Post-Biopsy Clinical Prognostic Factors Change Stage

- Diagnostic core biopsy pathology:

42F w/ 2.5  
cm breast  
mass,  
clinically  
node  
negative

- Core needle biopsy = Grade III IDC\*, ER-, PR-, HER2- (triple negative)
- Clinical prognostic Stage IIB

75F w/ 2.5  
cm breast  
mass,  
clinically  
node  
negative

- Core needle biopsy = Grade I tubular IDC\*, ER+ PR+, HER2- (HR positive)
- Clinical prognostic Stage IB

\*IDC = infiltrating ductal carcinoma



## Both Patients have Surgery as First Course of Treatment

- Both patients undergo partial mastectomy and sentinel lymph node biopsy
- Pathology: 2.5 cm IDC, negative margins, 0/3 sentinel nodes (negative)
- Final stage:
  - 42F: pT2 pN0 (sn)\* cM0, pathological prognostic Stage IIA
  - 75F: pT2 pN0 (sn)\* cM0, pathological prognostic Stage IA

\*sn = sentinel node



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# Case Example – Unknown Primary Tumor



# 38M palpable right inguinal node core needle biopsy = metastatic melanoma

Clinical stage:  
T0 (unknown  
primary) N1 M0  
(PET/CT only  
shows right  
inguinal node)  
= Stage III





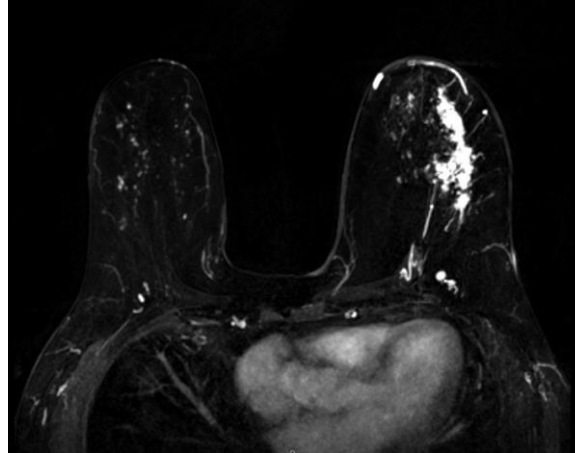
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# Staging After Neoadjuvant Treatment

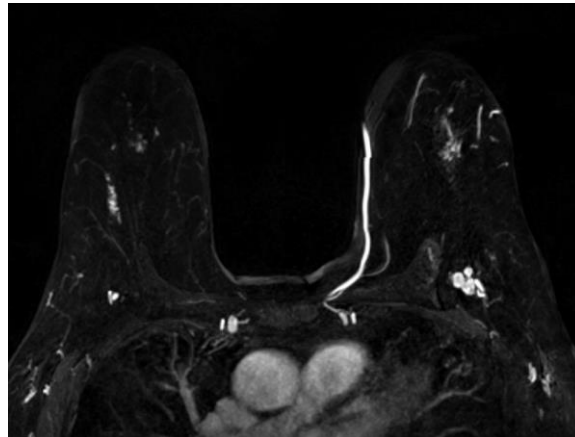


# BREAST MRI

cT3 cN1 cM0  
Breast cancer

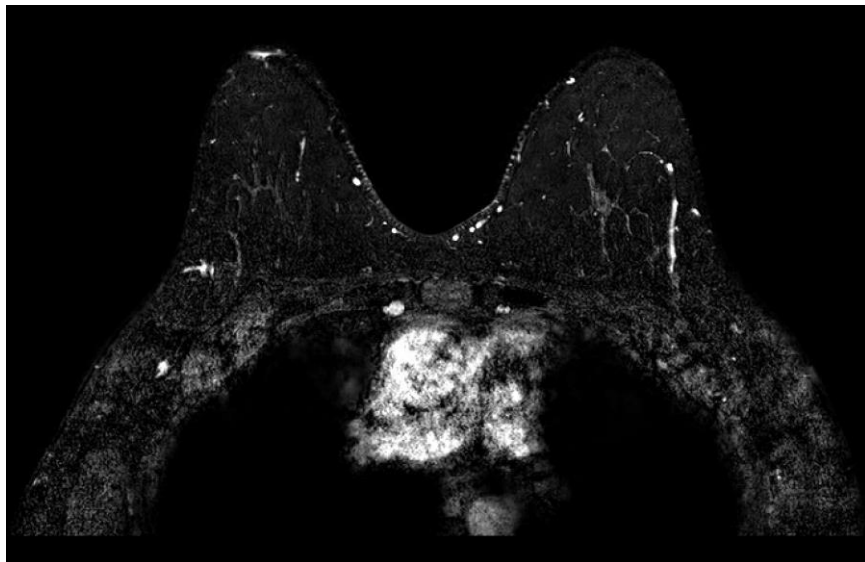


← **T3 breast cancer:  
>5 cm contiguous disease**



← **Abnormal axillary  
lymph node**

## Case Example - Initial Course of Treatment - Chemotherapy



- Localization clip placed into axillary node prior to start of chemo
- MRI post chemo shows no evident breast mass or abnormal axillary node(s): ycT0N0
- Surgery (skin-sparing mastectomy and seed-localized targeted axillary sentinel node dissection) is performed.
- Pathology reveals no residual tumor involving the breast or three axillary sentinel lymph nodes (including the clipped node)

# Staging Cancer Recurrence



## Case Example - 65M with Recurrent Cancer

Clinical Stage III rectal CA, NED after chemoradiation and resection with curative intent, downstaged to ypT0 ypN0 cM0; There is no Stage group after complete pathological response



- Five years later has pelvic pain. MRI reveals sacral mass.
- Biopsy consistent with rectal carcinoma recurrence

Sacral mass





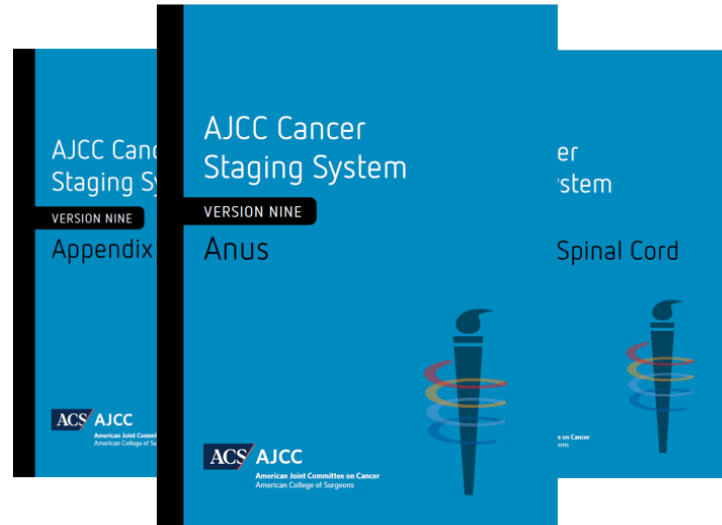
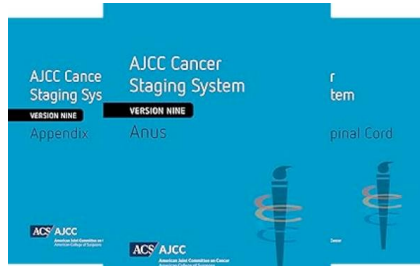
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# Evolution of Cancer Staging – Introducing Version 9 Cancer Staging System



# Version 9 Cancer Staging

- 2021 – present
- Digital and paper options
- Changes/Updates are published immediately when approved



# AJCC Version 9 Protocols

- **NEW** – Effective January 1, 2026
  - Salivary Glands
  - Oropharynx (HPV-Associated)
- 
- Currently Available
- Nasopharynx
- Lung
- Thymus
- Diffuse Pleural Mesothelioma
- Appendix
- Anus
- Vulva
- Cervix
- Neuroendocrine Tumors – Stomach
- Neuroendocrine Tumors – Duodenum/Ampulla
- Neuroendocrine Tumors – Jejunum/Ileum
- Neuroendocrine Tumors – Appendix
- Neuroendocrine Tumors – Colon/Rectum
- Neuroendocrine Tumors – Pancreas
- Brain and Spinal Cord

# Feedback to AJCC Education Committee

- We value feedback from State Chairs and all CLPs
- Provide changes/suggestions for the CLP meeting in September
- Send suggestions to: [byrd@uw.edu](mailto:byrd@uw.edu) and Chantel Ellis: [cellis@facs.org](mailto:cellis@facs.org)



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# Assessing the Effectiveness and Significance of the Operative Standards Program (AESOP)

July 29th, 2026

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MPIs of AESOP Study (NCI R01 Grant)

# High-quality surgery is a cornerstone of cancer care, yet variation in technical quality exists



# AESOP Study Team



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## Study MPIs

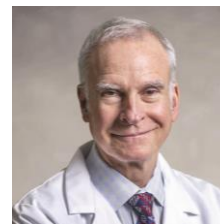


Lesly Dossett



Dan Boffa

## Cancer Programs Leadership



## Other Key AESOP Members

# AESOP Grant Aims



Evaluate the implementation of the CoC Operative Standards across cancer and hospital types



Evaluate the impact of the CoC Operative Standards on cancer outcomes through an NCDB Special Study



Assess barriers and facilitators of implementation with **Cancer Liaison Physicians**



## AESOP

Assessing the Effectiveness and  
Significance of the Operative  
Standards Program



# Assess guideline and facility-level barriers and facilitators of implementation

Recognizing the Cancer Liaison Physicians (CLPs) as key voices to convey unique institutional experience



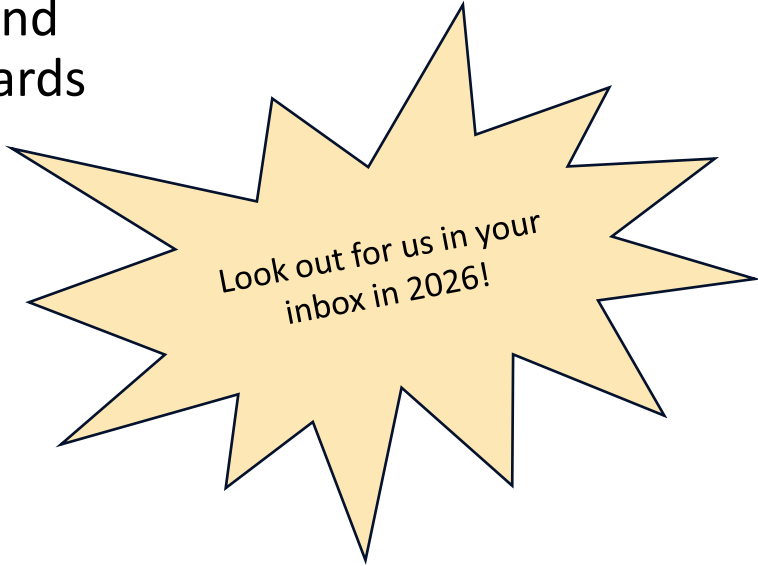
Survey all CLPs at sites who undergo a site visit in 2026 (n~400)

Interview purposive sample from high and low compliance institutions to further understand experience (n=30)

Inform data analysis and future care practices

# 2026 site reviews

- Survey to identify implementation barriers and inform future efforts of the Operative Standards
- All CLPs will receive a survey from [REDCap@facs.org](mailto:REDCap@facs.org) after the site visit
- Respondents will receive a \$50 gift card



Look out for us in your  
inbox in 2026!

# Before your 2026 site review

- Ask CLPs to ensure contact information is up to date in QPort





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Scan for more information

Contact [AESOP@facs.org](mailto:AESOP@facs.org) with questions



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# ACS NAVIGATION

**ACS LION**

**ACS CARES**

**ACS ACTS**

**National Navigation Roundtable**

Nicole Robertson, MPH  
Director, Navigation Operations

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# ACS LION™

**ACS LION™ is now available at NO COST, with proctoring requirements removed and a Spanish-language version available.**



## **Free enrollment**

Previously priced at  
\$495



## **No proctoring requirements**

Reduced barriers for  
learners and  
organizations



## **Spanish-language version available**

Expanded access for  
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learners



## **Trusted training and credentialing**

Designed for oncology  
navigation workforce  
development

ACS LION™ helps navigators deliver essential support to individuals, caregivers, and families affected by cancer. By eliminating cost and proctoring barriers and expanding access through Spanish-language offerings, we are making high-quality, trusted training more accessible to the oncology navigation workforce.



**ACS LION exists to champion and advance sustainable, scalable professional oncology navigation so that everyone can navigate the complexities of cancer care with confidence.**



# ACS LION™ : Who Can Participate?

For individuals providing **non-clinical navigation services** (in whole or in part) and **organizations** employing these roles.



Non-Clinical Navigators



Clinical & Social Work Navigators

*Including Oncology Nurse Navigators & Clinical Social Workers*

## Program Highlights



**No Cost to Enroll**

*Financial Barriers Removed*



**No Proctoring Required**

*Complete Assessments in Canvas*



**No Academic Prerequisites**

*Open to Anyone 18+  
in the U.S. & Territories*



**Eligible job titles may include but are not limited to:**

- Patient Navigator
- Oncology Patient Navigator
- Professional Navigator
- Social Worker
- Cancer Nurse Navigator
- Community Health Worker
- Promotores/Promotoras de salud
- Financial Navigator
- Clinical Trial Navigator
- Patient Care Coordinator
- Registered Nurse
- Licensed Practical Nurse

# The ACS LION™ Credential



## The American Cancer Society Leadership in Oncology Navigation (ACS LION™)

champions and advances standardized training, credentialing and implementation support.

Achieving the ACS LION Credential unlocks access to advanced certifications and professional growth, positioning patient navigators as essential contributors to high-quality cancer care.

Additionally, we are connecting navigation programs and oncology providers with support on the implementation, evaluation, and sustainability of patient navigation.



**ACS LION™  
Enroll Now!**

**"After completing the ACS-LION program, our team was able to further appreciate that the navigation support we provide to our patients is just as important as the clinical care they receive."**

**– ACS LION Credential Holder**



# ACS LION™ : Education, Credentialing, and Professional Support for Patient Navigators

The ACS LION program includes training, credentialing, and implementation support, as shown below:



# ACS LION™ New and Coming Soon



**ACS Leadership in Oncology Navigation (ACS LION™)** Continuing Education and Specialty Certificate updates for 2026 and 2027 include the following:



**Navigating Advanced Breast Cancer Module**



**ACS LION™ Mastery in Spanish**



**Cancer Survivorship Module**



**Navigating Supportive and Palliative Care in Oncology Certificate**

**Now Available**

**Coming in FY27**



# What is ACS CARES?

*Community Access to Resources, Education, and Support*

The American Cancer Society's navigation support program, combining technology and human connection to improve the cancer experience for patients, caregivers & supporters.

- **Personalized support:** Trusted, evidence-based cancer information, resources, and support from people who have been there, all in one place
- **In-person access:** Undergrad/grad student volunteers embedded in clinics at participating health care systems
- **Accessible anywhere:** Available on your phone, whenever you need it

## Program Impact:

ACS CARES has navigated **19,000+ individuals**, made over **2,065 volunteer connections**, trained over **750 peer support volunteers** and placed **300+ student volunteers in 22 clinics** around the country.



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Free support for people with cancer and caregivers

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# What's New in 2026



## ACS CARES Just Got Better!

We've been busy behind the scenes to make ACS CARES better for you.

### Here's what's changed:

- Updated home screen with even more personalization
- My Path: A new program just for you
- Easier ways to connect with real people for support

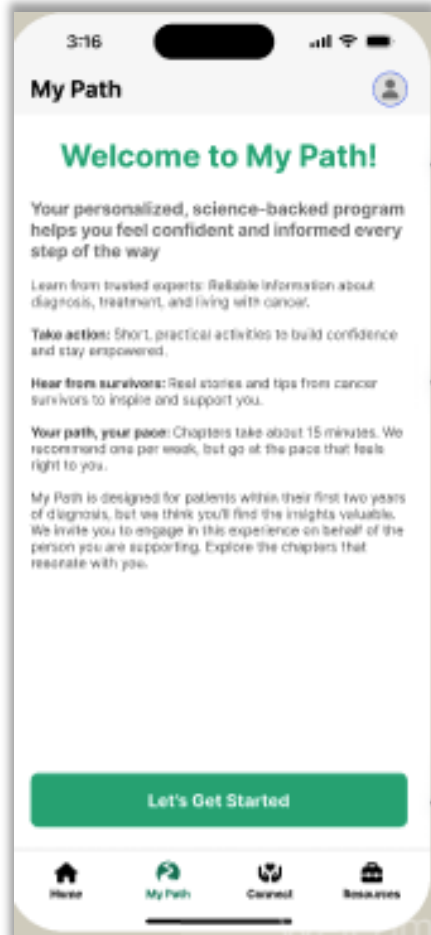
 Check it out!

The **ACS CARES app** continues to evolve to better meet the needs of people facing cancer and those who care for them.

With several new and enhanced features, the app now offers a more personalized, supportive, and easy to navigate experience, helping users feel more confident and connected throughout their cancer journey.



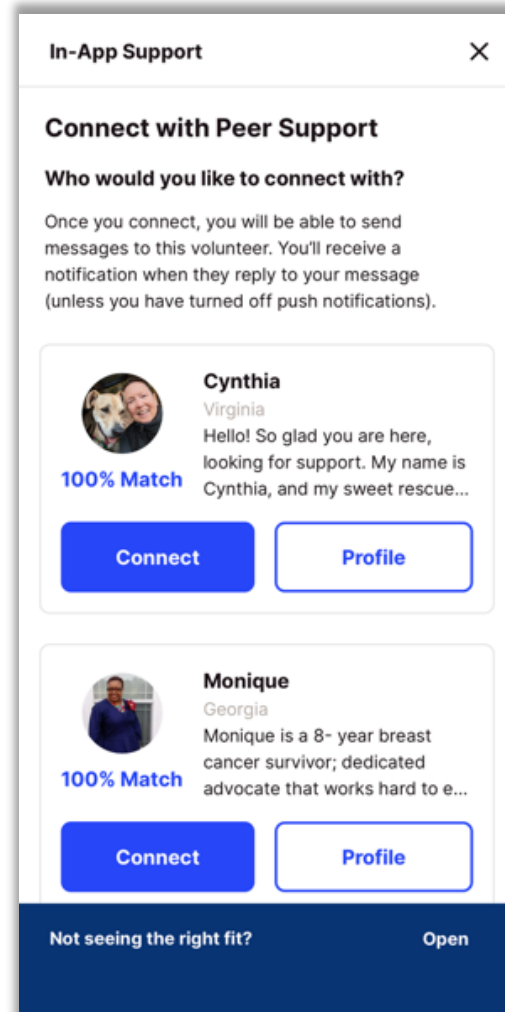
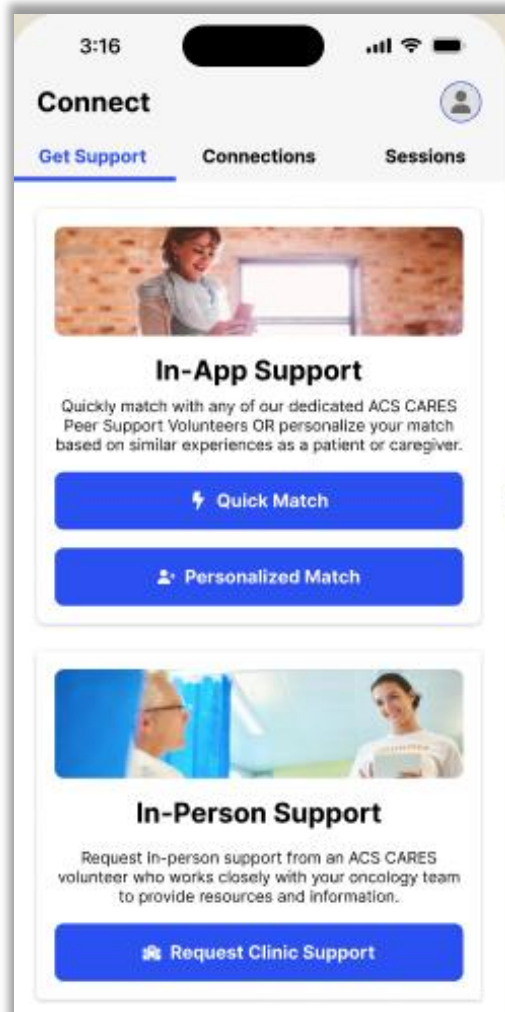
# My Path



**My Path** is a new, interactive weekly program designed to help people manage life with cancer through small, achievable steps.

Tailored to each individual, My Path provides simple guidance and supportive resources that build confidence, encourage self management, and support emotional wellbeing across each stage of the cancer journey.

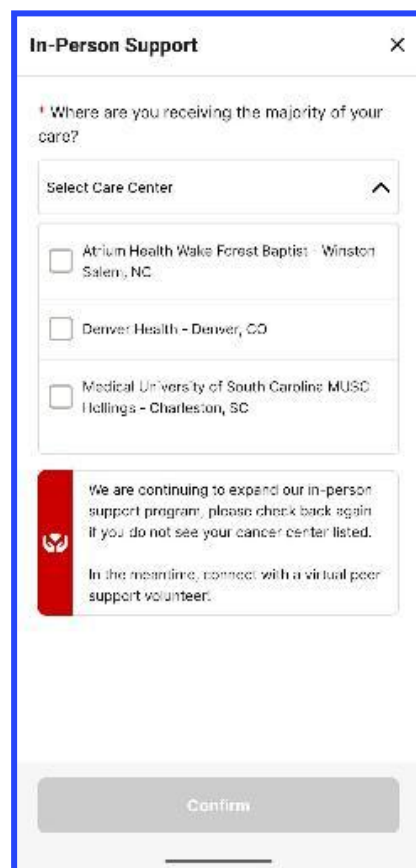
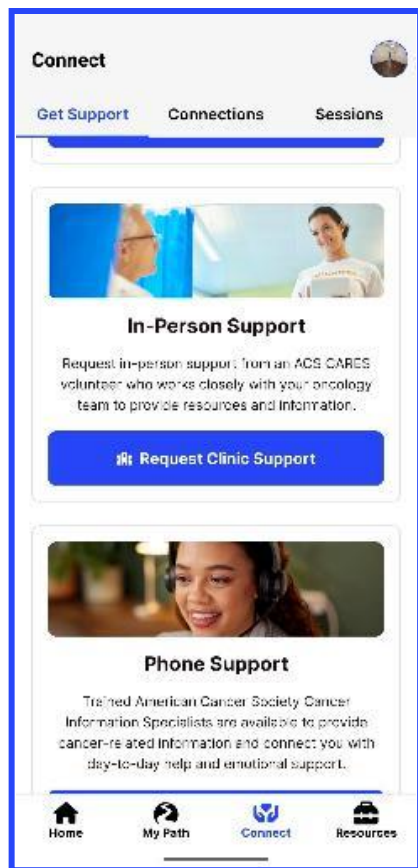
# Quick Match



In addition to personalized matching based on shared experiences and background, the app now includes **Quick Match**, a one-click option that instantly connects patients or caregivers with a trained peer volunteer.

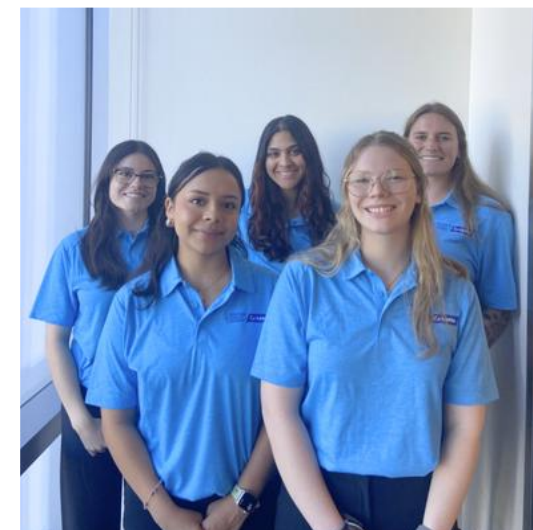
This gives users more flexibility in how they connect and makes support easier to access when it's needed most.

# Student Clinic Site Locations

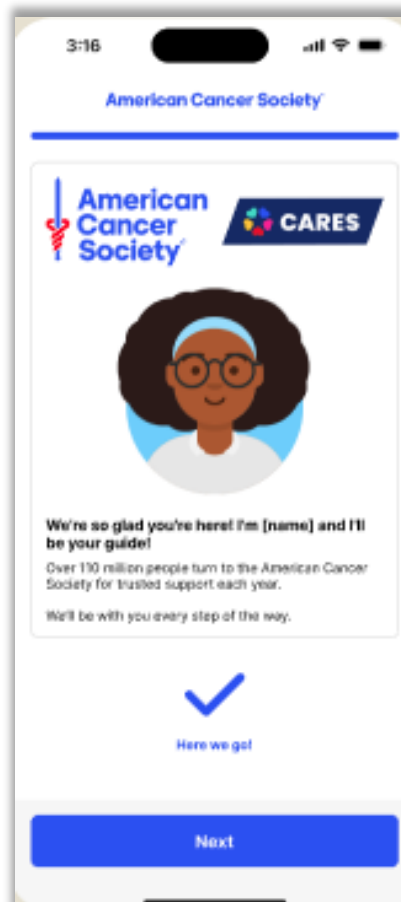
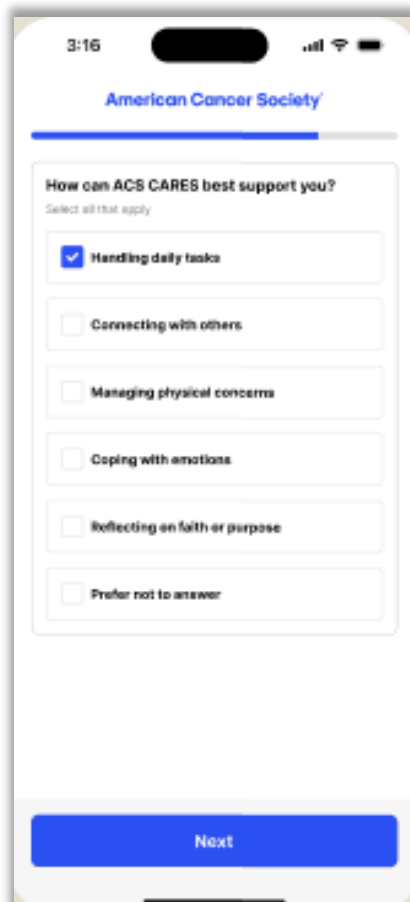
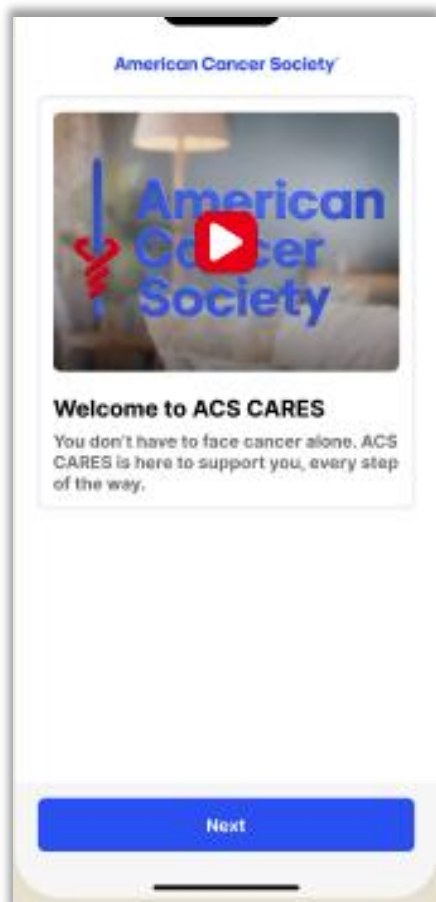


If a participating clinic site is in your area, you can support handoffs to undergrad/grad student volunteers embedded in these clinics. Currently 22 health care systems nationwide:

- University of Iowa – Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center ([Iowa City, IA](#))
- UCLA – Comprehensive Cancer Center ([Los Angeles, CA](#))
- MUSC – Hollings Cancer Center ([Charleston, SC](#))
- Texas Oncology ([Austin, TX](#))
- Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center ([Miami, FL](#))
- Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist Comprehensive Cancer Center ([Winston-Salem, NC](#))
- Denver Health ([Denver, CO](#))
- University of Mississippi Medical Center ([Jackson, MS](#))
- Mount Sinai Health ([New York, NY](#))
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- University Medical Center New Orleans ([New Orleans, LA](#))
- UT San Antonio ([San Antonio, TX](#))
- West Michigan Cancer Center ([Kalamazoo, MI](#))
- University of California San Diego ([San Diego, CA](#))
- OSF HealthCare Cancer Institute ([Peoria](#))
- Atrium Levine Cancer Institute ([Charlotte, NC](#))
- St. Joseph Candler Health System ([Savannah, GA](#))
- Sentara Health ([Virginia Beach, VA](#))
- Emory Winship Cancer Institute ([Atlanta, GA](#))
- St. Joseph Health ([Santa Rosa, CA](#))
- VCU Health ([Richmond, VA](#))



# Improved onboarding experience

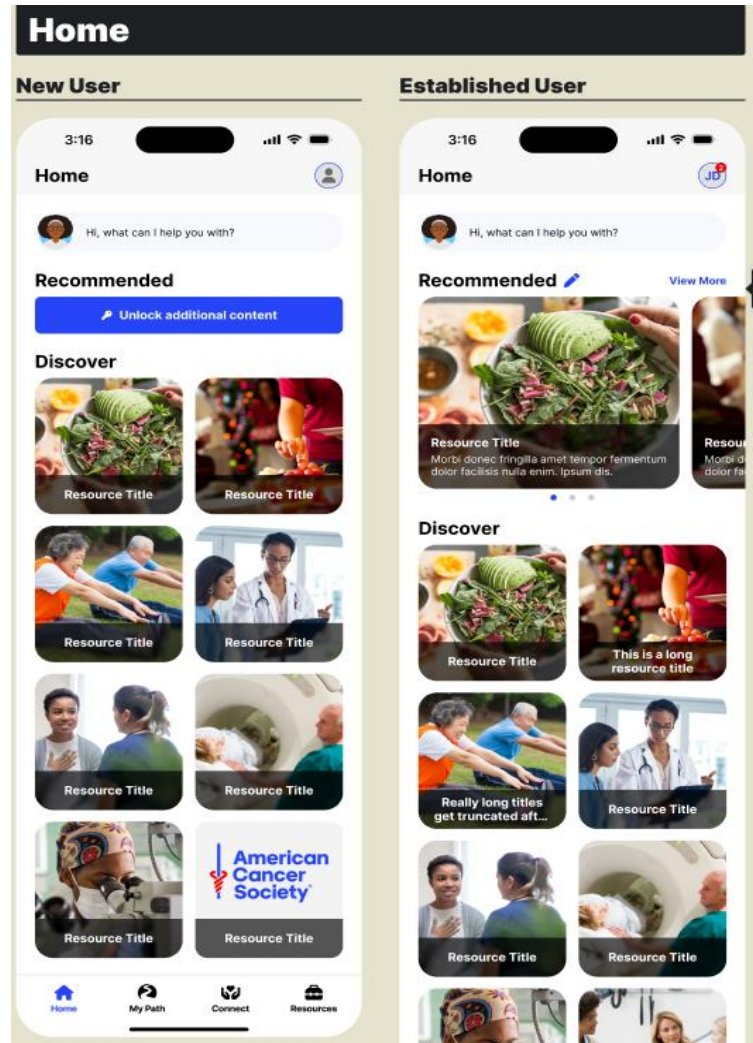


The improved ACS CARES **onboarding experience** introduces the app in a clear, supportive, and easy to understand way.

A [welcoming video](#) helps build trust from the start, while personalization during onboarding ensures users are connected to resources that reflect their unique needs and preferences.



# Refreshed App Design



Refreshed app design includes larger tiles, more images, and a reorganized **Home page menu** to quickly access My Path, Connect, and Resources.

The **Unlock additional content** button in Recommended takes users directly to the HRSN assessment for additional personalization.

# Call to Action



Share ACS CARES with patients, caregivers, and supporters to increase access to impactful navigation support and help people with cancer and their caregivers navigate the cancer journey with confidence!

Download the  
**ACS CARES app**



Visit [cancer.org/acscares](https://cancer.org/acscares)

Contact ACS CARES team for more information at [ACSCARES@cancer.org](mailto:ACSCARES@cancer.org)

# ACS ACTS™

## Access to Clinical Trials & Support

A free, nationwide clinical trial matching and support service offered by the American Cancer Society

### Goal

Help people impacted by cancer understand, access, and enroll in clinical trials while reducing barriers to participation

### Who We Serve

People diagnosed with cancer, cancer survivors, caregivers, and healthcare teams across all cancer types, ages, and U.S. locations

### Program Offerings

- Clinical trial education and navigation support
- Screening for barriers to treatment
- AI-powered clinical trial matching
- Personalized clinical trial match report
- Assistance with trial screening, site connections, and enrollment navigation
- Transportation, lodging, and other wraparound support services from end-to-end

### ACS ACTS and ACS CARES

Direct link to ACS ACTS on cancer.org is available in the app on Resources tab

Learn more at [cancer.org/acts](https://cancer.org/acts)





# HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF NAVIGATION REIMBURSEMENT

PIN Pulse Survey | July 20 – October 14



## Your Voice Matters

Whether your organization is actively billing, planning implementation, exploring options, or just learning about reimbursement opportunities, your experience can help guide national efforts to strengthen and sustain patient navigation programs.

### WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE?

- ✓ Currently using navigation billing codes
- ✓ Planning to implement billing codes
- ✓ Not currently pursuing billing codes
- ✓ Interested in learning more about reimbursement

Your feedback will help the National Navigation Roundtable better understand reimbursement adoption, barriers, and opportunities across the country.



**SCAN TO TAKE THE BRIEF SURVEY**

**Every perspective counts. Every response helps advance navigation sustainability.**



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# Thank you!

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