2024 CoC Member Organization Survey

• Survey open January 8 to February 26, 2024
• 41 of 63 CoC Member Organization Representatives responded
• Questions
  • Top 2 to 3 organizational priorities for 2024
    • How can the CoC assist?
  • Top 2 to 3 legislative priorities for 2024
    • How can the CoC assist?
  • Comments/Questions/Suggestions
Q4 What are your organization’s top 2-3 priorities for the upcoming year?
Q6 What are your organizations top 2-3 advocacy priorities in 2024 (if not already included in question 3)?
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CoC Member Organization Update
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About

• Professional organization for physicians specializing in hospice and palliative medicine, nurses, and other healthcare providers
• Founded in 1988
• 5,500 members
• Co-sponsors the Annual Assembly of Hospice and Palliative Care along with the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association
• Patient website: palliativedoctors.org
Definitions

• **Palliative care** focuses on improving a patient's quality of life by managing pain and other distressing symptoms of a serious illness. Palliative care should be provided along with other medical treatments.

• **Hospice** is palliative care for patients in their last year of life. Hospice care can be provided in patients' homes, hospice centers, hospitals, long-term care facilities, or wherever a patient resides.

• Physicians who specialize in hospice and palliative medicine work with other doctors and healthcare professionals, listen to patients and align their treatments with what's important to them, and help families navigate the complex healthcare system.
Strategic Plan
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• Build and Sustain a Diverse Workforce
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• Expand and sustain AAHPM’s role among patients and families, the media, policymakers, payers, providers, and stakeholders

• Advocate for health policy that recognizes and supports the needs of patients with serious illness, their caregivers, and the health professionals who care for them, including the unique role of hospice and palliative medicine physicians

• **Advance policy priorities through strategic partnerships with other stakeholders, medical societies and healthcare organizations**

• Promote and sustain integration of palliative care in current and evolving payment and delivery models
CoC Standard 4.5

Each calendar year, the cancer program fulfills all of the compliance criteria:

1. Palliative care services are available to cancer patients either on-site or by referral.

2. A policy and procedure is in place regarding palliative care services that includes all required elements.

3. The process for providing and referring palliative care services to cancer patients is monitored and evaluated. A report is given to the cancer committee, contains all required elements, and is documented in the cancer committee minutes.
The Oncology Nursing Enterprise

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Clinical Priority Development

- Trending/Tracking oncology-related healthcare news
- Member feedback
- Clinical Immersions
- Community discussions
- Stack-Rank activity
- Current state evaluation of resources
2023-2025 Priorities

• Equitable and Inclusive Care
• Expansion of oncology care to non-oncology nurses
• Respond to the rapid growth of the oncology drug pipeline
• Navigation
• Radiation Oncology
• Adolescent and Young Adult (AYA) Cancer Care
• Interventional Oncology
• Tele-Oncology
Clinical Resource Offerings

Clinical Oncology Nursing Podcast

Approach
Immunotherapy harnesses the immune system's innate ability to recognize a target. For example, certain cancers avoid destruction by the immune system by having a mutation that turns off immune cell function. Immunotherapy can block these checkpoints, allowing the immune system to respond. Some types of immunotherapies have response rates up to 40% in certain cancers.

Examples
- Checkpoint inhibitors
- Monoclonal antibodies
- Adoptive cell transfer

Benefits
- Immunologic memory can prevent recurrence
- May have fewer acute, dose-dependent side effects, compared to standard chemotherapy
- May be used in combination with other therapies
- Often has durable responses

Limitations
- Requires a working immune system
- May take longer to see effects
Onboard New Oncology Nurses With ONS’s Oncology Nurse Orientation Program

• An evidence-based course that incorporates ONS standards and guidelines
• Receive 29.75 NCPD contact hours
• Access ONS's preceptor bundle in alignment with the facility's orientation plan

As an NCI Comprehensive Cancer Medical Center, we have a need for nurses to have an in-depth knowledge of oncology patients. The ONS Oncology Nurse Orientation Program was the perfect curriculum builder for us! It allows us to standardize the foundation content that we then wrap around our medical center specific content.

- Chris Tarver, DNP, RN, CNS, NEA-BC, EBP(CH), Executive Director Professional Practice and Nursing Excellence Clinical Practice Education and Professional Development, City of Hope
Biomarker Database And Precision Oncology Resources

- Over 300 biomarkers and over 20 disease sites
- Library including robust educational content and point of care tools
Endorsement Program Launches Pilot

Symptom Intervention (PEP)

likely to be effective

Evidence-based Practice & Inquiry

Effectiveness Not Established

Evidence-based Practice & Inquiry

Published ONS Guidelines™:
- ONS Guidelines™ to Support Patient Adherence to Oral Anticancer Medications
- ONS Guidelines™ for Cancer Treatment–Related Hot Flashes
- ONS Guideline™ for the Management of Cancer Treatment-related Lymphedema
- ONS Guideline™ for Cancer Treatment-related Skin Toxicity
- ONS Guidelines™ for Opioid-Induced and Non-Opioid-Related Cancer Constipation
- ONS Guidelines™ for Cancer Treatment-Related Radiodermatitis

Endorsed Guidelines

- Guidelines will be added as they are designated as Endorsed.

Affirmation of Value Guidelines

- Guidelines will be added as they are assigned Affirmation of Value.

Refer to the ONS Guidelines Endorsement Program section for more information.
2024-2027 Research Priorities

- Advance patient centric, precision symptom science
- Provide evidence for safe and effective cancer care delivery models and support of the cancer-nursing workforce.
- Describe the impact of the environment on cancer care outcomes.
- Integrate patient navigation into cancer care across the trajectory.
- Advance the use of innovative methodologies in oncology nursing research
Global Engagement

- Palliative Care programming at Sarawak General Hospital in Kuching, Malaysia with ASCO International Cancer Corps (November 2023)
- Post-Graduate Institute for Medical Education and Research (PGIMER) Chandigarh, India (December 2023)
- Joint position statement on Fertility preservation with CANO and APHON
- March 2024 - Oncology nursing program in Bali, Indonesia at Asia-Pacific Breast Cancer Summit

Upcoming in 2024
- Bolivia
- Dubai, UAE
External Relationships
Government Affairs and Advocacy

- Advocacy campaigns
- Broadcast messaging
- Data tracking/engagement metrics
Open Forum
Thank you!

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