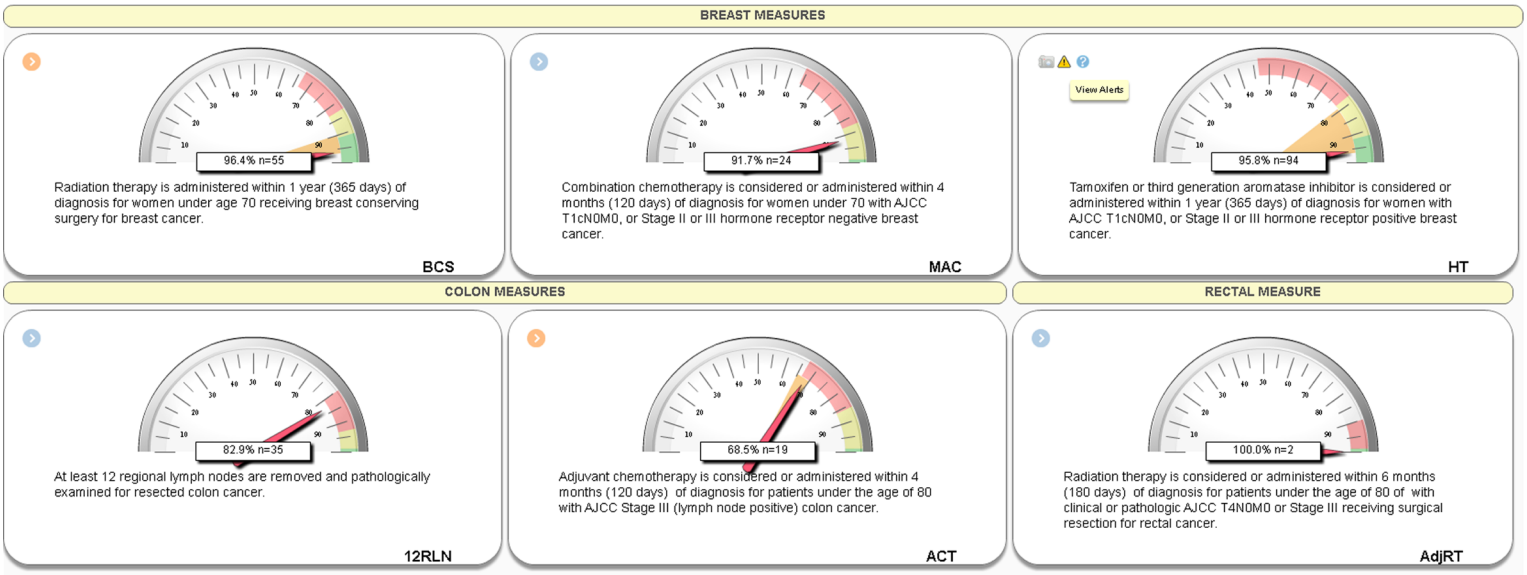
Commission on Cancer

RAPID QUALITY REPORTING SYSTEM

RQRS

What Is RQRS?

The Rapid Quality Reporting System (RQRS) promotes and facilitates evidence-based care for patients at Commission on Cancer-accredited programs by actively monitoring and assessing compliance with four National Quality Forum-endorsed measures and two surveillance measures of cancer care for breast and colorectal cancer patients in real clinical time.



Benefits of RQRS Participation

- Improve patient care with access to real clinical time performance rates.
- Use the information in RQRS to develop interventions to enhance the quality of care in your cancer program.
- Alert clinical staff to prevent patients from experiencing delays in treatment or from "falling through the cracks."
- Compare performance rates in your cancer program with other participating CoC centers.
- Encourage timely and accurate collection of adjuvant treatment information.
- Negotiate favorable reimbursement with payors by demonstrating the quality of medical practice.

RQRS Data and Enrollment

All case information reported to the RQRS is collected by cancer registries at participating hospitals and entered into their registry database. On a locally determined schedule, breast and colorectal cases are extracted from the registry database and submitted to the NCDB using nationally standardized data transmission specifications. No additional capital investment is necessary for participation.

The hospital registrar, cancer program administrator, cancer liaison physician, and cancer committee chair must all individually register for a CoC-accredited cancer program to participate in RQRS. Participation in the RQRS is voluntary.

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