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From the Director's Desk

Where Have All the Stories Gone? A Reappraisal of the Patient Record

Heidi Nelson, MD, FACS
Medical Director, ACS Cancer Programs

Who and what purpose does the medical record serve? As we approach the Commission on Cancer's (CoC) centennial, it is a good time to reflect on the past and imagine a future state for the patient record, given that cancer care documentation has been a CoC standard for at least 67 years.



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Questions about Virtual Site Visits? Join the September 24 Webinar

The leadership and staff of the American College of Surgeons (ACS) Commission on Cancer, National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC), and the National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer (NAPRC) remain committed to the health and safety of our participating accredited program staff,

health care professionals, physicians, and patients as we continue to deal with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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CoC Clarifies Registry Accrual for Standard 9.1

The intent of the Commission on Cancer's Standard 9.1: Clinical Research Accrual is to increase accruals to and availability of clinical research because of its critical role in advancing knowledge in cancer medicine.

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Synoptic Operative Reporting Tools Moving Forward

We are pleased to report that we are making steady progress on the production of synoptic operative reports (SORs), and we anticipate that these tools will be ready for dissemination and implementation by January 2021.

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Pediatric Programs Exempt from Standards 8.2 and 8.3

The Commission on Cancer has recently determined that CoC-accredited programs with the "Pediatric Cancer Program" category designation are exempt from Standard 8.2: Cancer Prevention Event and Standard 8.3: Cancer Screening Event.

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NAPRC Section of CoC Datalinks to Close August 31, 2020

The National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer section of Commission on Cancer Datalinks will be retired on **August 31, 2020**, and programs will no longer have access to it.

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Deadline Extended: ACS CRP Mediastinal Lymph Node Stations ID Survey

The American College of Surgeons Cancer Research Program (ACS CRP) is conducting a survey on the identification of mediastinal lymph node stations as a follow-up to the publication of the Operative Standards for Cancer Surgery manuals.

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Changes Announced for the NCDB STORE Manual

A new version of National Cancer Database (NCDB) STORE Manual v2021 will be released for diagnosis years beginning with January 1, 2021.

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Submit 2020 Call for Data Closes August 31

The **August 31, 2020** (11:59 pm CDT), deadline for the 2020 Call for Data window for initial submissions and corrections is fast approaching.

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Reminder: 2020 ACS Quality and Safety Conference VIRTUAL Begins This Friday, August 21

The 2020 American College of Surgeons Quality and Safety Conference is rescheduled for August 21–24, 2020, and sessions will be held each day from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon Central Daylight Time.

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Cancer Programs Leaders Featured in *ACS Bulletin Brief*

In the August 4 issue of the *American College of Surgeons Bulletin Brief*, ACS Regent and National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer Chair Steven D. Wexner, MD, FACS, FRCSEng, FRCSEd, FRCSI(Hon), FRCSGlasg(Hon), interviewed several Cancer Programs leaders.

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COVID-19 Breast Cancer Operation Delays Appear to be Non-Life-Threatening for Women with Early-Stage Disease

A new breast cancer study brings reassuring findings for women with early-stage breast cancer who were forced to delay their cancer operations because of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

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The banner features a row of colored squares (blue, orange, green, grey, red, teal, dark blue, light blue) at the top left. Below them is the text "ACS QUALITY and SAFETY CONFERENCE" in blue and orange. To the right is a graphic with the word "VIRTUAL" in a black box above several colorful speech bubbles containing icons for a globe, a camera, a lightbulb, and a headset. At the bottom left, a green box contains the text "NEW DATES: August 21-24, 2020".

Education and Training News

Join NAPRC Standards Webinar on August 26

Join us for on Wednesday, August 26, 2020, at 12:00 noon Central time for Overview of Revised NAPRC Standards webinar. Linda Farkas, MD, FACS, from the UT Southwestern Medical Center, will discuss questions regarding the recently revised and released 2020 National Accreditation Program for Rectal Cancer standards and the new NAPRC Quality Portal.

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From the Field

NCRA Seeks 2021 Presenters

The National Cancer Registrars Association (NCRA) is seeking plenary and concurrent session presenters for its 47th Annual Educational Conference to be held June 2–5, 2021.

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New Breast Cancer Resources for Recently Diagnosed Patients

Living Beyond Breast Cancer has been serving the metastatic community for nearly 30 years. Based on new insights from health care provider- and patient-driven research, two new resources are available to help providers and newly diagnosed metastatic breast cancer (MBC) patients.

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Meet the State Chairs

Roshani Patel, MD, FACS

State Chair, New Hampshire

Roshani Patel, MD, FACS, is a breast surgeon at Dartmouth Hitchcock Manchester in Manchester, NH. She became a State Chair in order to work with programs on improving patient outcomes.

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ACP Member Representative to the CoC

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Cancer Programs Staff Spotlight

Cancer Programs Staff Updates

We have a number of exciting Cancer Programs staff updates. Keep reading to learn about staff changes and additions.

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Dates and Deadlines

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August 31, 2020

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