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WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR A PATIENT WITH CANCER?

WHAT THE QOPI® CERTIFICATION PROGRAM (QCP™) MEANS FOR YOU

Being diagnosed with cancer is difficult. You may be stunned by the diagnosis, and you will have many challenging decisions to make; however, you can take comfort in your choice of where to receive cancer treatment because this practice has been certified through the QOPI® Certification Program (QCP™), an affiliate of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO). Read more to find out how this certification makes this oncology practice special, and what this means for your care.

ABOUT THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CLINICAL ONCOLOGY AND THE QUALITY ONCOLOGY PRACTICE (QOPI®) INITIATIVE

QOPI® is a voluntary, self-assessment and improvement program launched by ASCO in 2006 to help hematology-oncology and medical oncology practices assess the quality of the care they provide to patients. QOPI® analyzes individual practice data and compares these to more than 100 quality measures (aspects of care based on published care recommendations and expert opinion). The information is then provided in reports to participating practices. Individual practices are also able to compare their performance to that of other practices across the country.

ASCO is the world's leading professional organization representing physicians who care for people with cancer. Your doctor is one of more than 30,000 ASCO members who are committed to conquering cancer through research, education, prevention, and the delivery of high-quality patient care.

YOUR CANCER CARE IS PROVIDED BY A PRACTICE RECOGNIZED BY A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

It is important for you to feel comfortable with your doctor and confident about the care that you receive.

By choosing a practice that is currently certified by QCP™, an affiliate of ASCO, you know that you've selected a practice that is committed to delivering you the highest quality of cancer care.

YOUR ONCOLOGY PRACTICE'S DEDICATION TO PROVIDING QUALITY CARE

In order to achieve QOPI® Certification, this oncology practice participated in in QOPI® and met or exceeded a benchmark score on measures that compared the quality of their care against national standards. This practice met performance levels necessary to be able to apply for certification.

To earn QOPI® Certification, a practice undergoes an on-site review and peer review by a select team of oncology professionals, such as physicians and nurses, at least once every three years. The purpose of the review is to evaluate the practice's performance in areas that affect patient care and safety. Through an assessment of a practice's processes and policies, as well as interviews with its staff, the practice is evaluated. This review fosters excellence in care through self-study and external review by professional peers. Certification is awarded when a practice meets QCP's standards. The areas evaluated by QCP™ include:

- Qualifications of Practice Staff
- Chart Documentation
- Chemotherapy Preparation and Administration
- Patient Monitoring and Assessment
- Preparedness for Emergency Situations
- Patient Education

LEARN MORE

If you would like to learn more about ASCO, visit www.asco.org. To find information on coping with a cancer diagnosis and understanding cancer treatments, tests, and side effects, go to ASCO's patient information website Cancer.Net™ (www.cancer.net).

You can also find out more about QOPI® Certification at qopi.asco.org/certification.

