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# **Randomized Study of Early Palliative Care Integrated With Standard Oncology Care Versus Standard Oncology Care Alone in Patients With Incurable Lung or Non-Colorectal Gastrointestinal Malignancies**

ClinicalTrial.gov Identifier: NCT02349412

## **Study Background**

### **Trial Description**

The study intervention consists of the early integration of palliative care services into standard oncology care in an outpatient setting for patients with advanced lung and non-colorectal gastrointestinal malignancies who are not being treated with curative intent. The palliative care services provided to patients randomized to the intervention will be provided by board-certified physicians and/or advanced practice nurses and will focus on the following areas: (1) developing and maintaining the therapeutic relationship with the patients and family caregivers; (2) assessing and treating patient symptoms; (3) providing support and reinforcement of coping with advanced cancer in patients and family caregivers; (4) assessing and enhancing prognostic awareness and illness understanding in patients and family caregivers; (5) assisting with treatment decision-making; and (6) end-of-life care planning.

### **Arms:**

Arm 1: (Experimental): Patients receive early palliative care and standard oncology care. Patients and family caregivers will be asked to complete quality-of-life questionnaires at weeks 6, 12, and 24. Survival follow-up will be every 4 months from week 24 until death or up to 3 years.

Arm 2: (Control): Patients receive standard oncology care. Patient and family caregiver will be asked to complete self-report questionnaires at weeks 6, 12, and 24. Survival follow-up will be every 4 months from week 24 until death or up to 3 years. Palliative care visit only upon request from attending oncologist(s) or patient/family.

### **Objectives:**

#### **Primary Endpoint:**

- To determine the efficacy of early integrated palliative care on patient reported quality of life at 12 weeks using the FACT in patients with newly diagnosed incurable lung or non-colorectal gastrointestinal cancer.

**Secondary Endpoints:**

- To determine the efficacy of early integrated palliative care on other patient reported outcomes in patients with newly diagnosed incurable lung or non-colorectal gastrointestinal cancer, by assessing the endpoints defined in the protocol.
- To determine the efficacy of early integrated palliative care on family caregiver reported outcomes in those newly diagnosed incurable lung or non-colorectal gastrointestinal cancer, by assessing the endpoints defined in the protocol.
- To assess the impact of early integrated palliative care on the quality of end-of-life care and resource utilization in patients with newly diagnosed incurable lung or non-colorectal gastrointestinal cancer by assessing the endpoints defined in the protocol.
- To determine concordance between patient and family caregiver report of prognosis/curability.

**Study Milestones:**

Primary Completion Date: July 3, 2017

## **Publication Information:**

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Associated Datasets:

NCT02349412-D1-Dataset.csv (nctn\_consort),

NCT02349412-D2-Dataset.csv (nctn\_table1),

NCT02349412-D3-Dataset.csv (nctn\_table2),

NCT02349412-D4-Dataset.csv (nctn\_table3),

NCT02349412-D5-Dataset.csv (nctn\_table4),

NCT02349412-D6-Dataset.csv (nctn\_fig2),

NCT02349412-D7-Dataset.csv (nctn\_supp\_table1),

NCT02349412-D8-Dataset.csv (nctn\_supp\_table2),

NCT02349412-D9-Dataset.csv (nctn\_supp\_table3)

## **Dataset Information:**

Dataset Name: NCT02349412-D9-Dataset.csv (nctn\_supp\_table3)

Description: Dataset NCT02349412-D9-Dataset.csv (nctn\_supp\_table3) is one of 9 datasets associated with PubMed ID 32031887. This dataset contains information that will allow you to reproduce Supplementary Table 3 from the manuscript.

Data can be used to approximate published study findings, but exact reproduction of previous manuscripts may not be possible in some cases (e.g., when data must be modified for de-identification purposes or have undergone further data cleaning).

## **NCT02349412-D9-Dataset.csv (nctn\_supp\_table3) Data Dictionary:**

LABEL	NAME	ELEMENTS	COMMENTS
De-identified patient reference	patref		
Site Type	SITETYPE	Community, Academic	
Study Site	site_num		Site has been de-identified but included to distinguish between sites.
Alive at Week 12	wk12_alive	0 = "No", 1 = "Yes"	Indicator as to whether patient is confirmed alive at 12 weeks post-randomization.  This does not directly correlate with wk12_dead in D8. Patients may be zero for each variable if their status is unsure by week 12 (no confirmation of death by week 12 or documented follow-up past 12 weeks)
Alive at Week 24	wk24_alive	0 = "No", 1 = "Yes"	Indicator as to whether patient is confirmed alive at 24 weeks post-randomization.  This does not directly correlate with wk24_dead in D8. Patients may be zero for each variable if their status is unsure by week 24 (no confirmation of death by week 24 or documented follow-up past 24 weeks)
Two or More Visits by Week 12	n12_ge2	0 = "<2 visits by week 12", 1 = ">=2 visits by week 12"	Blank value indicates patient not included in table counts/percentages

Five or More Visits by Week 24	n24_ge5	0 = "<5 visits by week 24", 1 = ">=5 visits by week 24"	Blank value indicates patient not included in table counts/percentages
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