

POQC Meeting 3.20.18, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm Summary of each topic below

TIME TITLE FACILITATOR

WELCOME AND OVERVIEW OF CALL

JENNIFER YANCHULA

GYNONC PROJECT ARTHI RAMAKRISHNAN

INTRODUCTION TO PROJECT

This initiative is focused on improving the quality of care for women diagnosed with gynecologic cancers. Dr. Shitanshu Uppal, co-director of MOQC, is leading this effort. The initial work includes gathering GynOnc doctors from across the state of Michigan to share best practices and build consensus regarding gynecologic cancer care. The first area of focus is the quality of care for ovarian cancer patients – the 3rd most lethal cancer. We begin with conducting needs assessments, and then designing and implementing quality improvement projects.

We announced three people who are joining POQC from the GynOnc initiative. Welcome to Nevena, Deanna, and Amanda!

SPRING REGIONAL MEETINGS

JENNIFER YANCHULA

- SCHEDULE- attached
- AGENDA- attached
- POQC ROLE

Members are encouraged to attend any regional meeting that is convenient for them. For more details on the upcoming meeting dates, locations and agenda, please see the attached. We encourage POQC members to provide feedback regarding the group report-out on current projects and represent the patient and caregiver voice in the discussion about the end of life quality initiative.

FERTILITY RESOURCES SAM BEUSTERIEN

 EXPLANATION OF WEBSITE RESOURCE https://moqc.org/

FERTILITY RESOURCES, CONTINUED

Cancer and cancer treatments can affect fertility. Research findings have shown low rates of discussion between patients and providers about potential fertility risks and fertility preservation options, as well as low rates of referrals to fertility specialists. Important goals of this resource include: raising patients' and providers' awareness of fertility resources; encouraging early discussions about fertility; providing tools for providers to use in discussing fertility with patients; presenting fertility preservation options that are locally available to patients; and providing information about the cost of fertility preservation.

POQC ROLE

The fertility resource pages have been attached to this email for your review. You will also find a questionnaire attached to assist you with responses. We welcome any feedback you would like to provide, feel free to elaborate on the questionnaire as needed. Please send your feedback to Jen Yanchula by 3/29/18.

MOQC STEERING COMMITTEE

LOUISE BEDARD

DESCRIPTION OF COMMITTEE

This committee advises and makes decisions regarding the work of the coordinating team of MOQC. Comprised of medical and gynecological oncologists, as well as members of oncology practices (pharmacists, nurses, practice managers, abstractors, and coordinating center staff), the Steering Committee makes recommendations that go to Blue Cross for review, that in turn drives the work of the coordinating team and our practices.

We would like 2 POQC members to join the MOQC Steering Committee to represent the patient/caregiver voice. Member commitment is a 45-minute meeting immediately before our Biannual meetings in January and June, and two 30-minute teleconference meetings per year. A term on Steering is generally a two-year term, but we will accept a POQC member who would be interested in a commitment of one year only. Please reach out to Jen as soon as possible if you are interested. The first meeting for the person who is interested in this position is the Steering Committee meeting that will be held at 9am, Friday June 22, 2018 in Grand Rapids, MI, one hour prior to the start of the MOQC Biannual Meeting.

Cynthia suggested the committee look at a mechanism to share positive experiences with MOQC-perhaps a blog or other way to look at best practices.

POQC ROLE

Thank you to Mike Harrison, who is our first POQC member to join the MOQC Steering Committee. Please contact Jennifer Yanchula if you are interested in filling our second spot on the Steering Committee.

Friday, April 27, 10:00-4:00 is the kickoff meeting for the Patient Reported Outcomes project. What happens/should happen with the information you put on the update form you are given when you arrive for your appointment? Does the nurse, MA, NP, or physician address what you've written about anxiety, pain, physical issues/changes, etc.? Contact Jen Yanchula to participate in this meeting no later

than Friday, March 30 as we need to finalize planning re: headcount and food ordering. Most appreciated.

CLOSING ITEMS JENNIFER YANCHULA

Reminder to go to the MOQC website register for the June 22 Biannual in Grand Rapids. MOQC will cover the cost of your hotel, but please email Jennifer Yanchula so reservations can be made in a timely manner. Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Robin Yabroff, Strategic Director of Economic Burden of Cancer, American Cancer Society. She conducts research on financial hardships; patterns of cancer care, including high cost prescription drugs; health insurance benefit design; and patient, provider, and system factors associated with quality and value of cancer care. This will tie in nicely to our POQC breakout focused on the financial toxicity of cancer care and what can be done to support patients and families.

A quick reminder as well that the next POQC call will be at 5:30 on May 1.

Thank you for joining the call, and I hope to see you at a Regional Meeting soon! Jen