

Optimal Cancer Care Pathways



Patients first - optimal care

The pathway for cancer patients undergoing diagnosis and treatment for cancer is complex and poorly comprehended by those involved. It usually involved multiple health care providers and covers a range of institutions.

The OCPs are designed to be adopted nationally

Optimal care pathways have been developed in consultation with the clinical community and consumers to:

- Reflect emerging areas of practice
- Improve patient experiences
- Map this journey for specific tumour types to foster an understanding of the whole pathway.
- Support the delivery of *optimal* care at critical points throughout the patient journey
- including *optimal* timeframes for referral, to treatment
- and *optimal* communication between the specialist and primary practitioner, and between clinician and patient/their carer(s).



Resources

Clinical OCPs and quick reference guides

Developed by multidisciplinary expert groups for healthcare professionals and administrators.

“What to expect” – Information sheets

To assist patients and carers navigate the care pathway at point of diagnosis and beyond.



- colorectal cancer
- hepatocellular carcinoma
- lymphoma
- lung cancer
- melanoma
- squamous cell carcinoma and basal cell carcinoma
- pancreatic cancer
- prostate cancer
- high grade glioma
- ovarian cancer
- endometrial cancer
- breast cancer
- head and neck cancer
- oesophago gastric cancer
- acute myeloid leukaemia

Available for download

Clinical OCPs are available at:

- www.cancer.org.au/OCP

The interactive consumer web portal with printable PDFs is now live at:

- www.cancerpathways.org.au