

Additional Resources: Patient Navigation Only

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What is Patient Navigation (PN)?

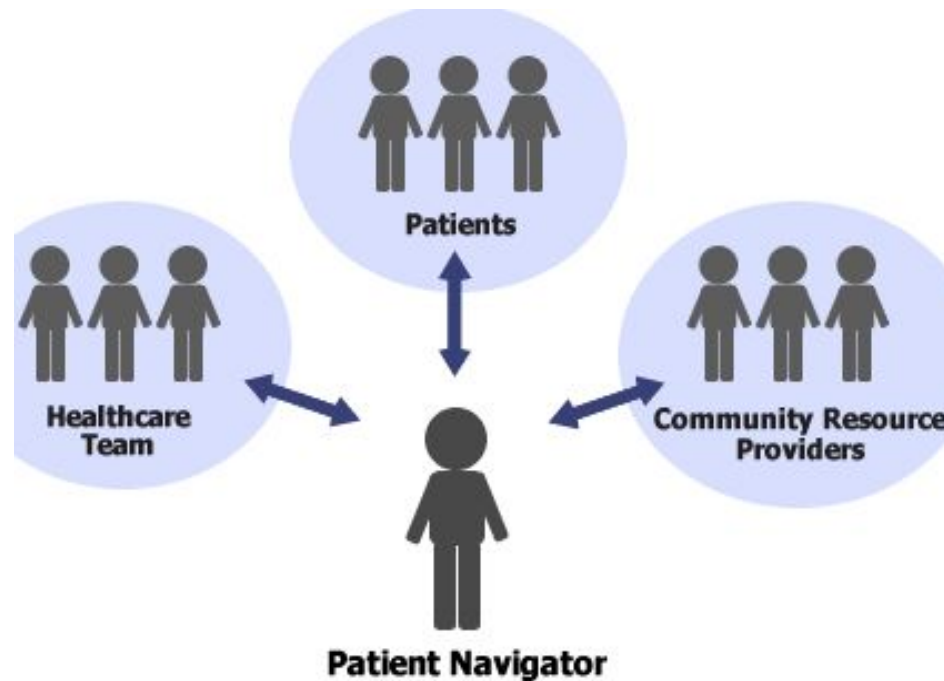
Patient Navigation

- Can help individuals overcome barriers to cancer screening
- Is effective at increasing screening rates
- Contributes to screening tests that are done well, in a timely manner



Core Functions of PN

- Determining eligibility
- Barrier assessment & resolution
- Education & support
- Outreach & referral coordination
- Sharing results



Mission Statement

Individualized assistance for patients, families, and caregivers to navigate through the healthcare system and overcome any financial or other barriers to complete quality breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer screenings in a timely manner.



Background

- From the Wyoming Cancer Resource Services Coordinators (WCRS) to the WCP nurses
- Wyoming Breast Cancer Initiative (WBCI) partnership
- Maternal Child Health (MCH) Unit partnership



WCP Nurse Role

- WCP nurses receive all denied WCP applications
 - Screen these applications for PN eligibility
 - Contact eligible applicants
 - Schedule screenings for enrolled clients
 - Follow up to ensure screenings are completed
 - Refer to other resources as needed



Eligibility

- Breast Cancer Screenings
 - Wyoming resident
 - Meet the USPSTF breast cancer screening guideline recommendations OR have an underlying condition/risk
 - Have a financial hardship
 - There are no limitations based on gender, age, income or insurance status



Eligibility

- Cervical Cancer Screenings
 - Wyoming resident
 - Aged 14-44
 - Uninsured
 - Have a financial hardship
 - No cervical screening in last 3 years, unless high risk



Eligibility

- Not every patient referred will be eligible for PN
- Funding and staff availability may limit enrollment
- There may be other resources available to them, possibly in your own facility



Covered Services

- Breast Cancer Screenings
 - Office visit, if needed for mammogram referral
 - Mammogram
 - Diagnostic mammogram
 - Ultrasound
 - Biopsy
 - MRI



Covered Services

- Cervical Cancer Screenings
 - Office visit
 - Pap test
 - HPV test



Helping Your Patients Enroll

- Provider offices play a very important role in getting individuals screened for breast & cervical cancer
- Individuals that get a strong recommendation from a trusted provider are more likely to complete screenings



Helping Your Patients Enroll

Fill out the application with every patient!!

- Have every patient fill out the WCP enrollment application
 - **Even if you know they won't qualify for the regular BCC program**
- Explain the WCP and what services are offered
- Submit applications electronically, by fax or email
- Let patients know that the WCP will be contacting them by mail or phone

What's Next?

- Applicants that are eligible for PN will be called by a program nurse
- They will receive a welcome packet with ID card by mail
- The nurse will schedule their appointment, if needed
- The nurse will follow up after the appointment date

Importance of PN

- Since the PN program started at the WCP the nurses have navigated
 - 141 enrolled clients
 - 124 clients to completed screenings
 - 34 clients to additional diagnostic testing
 - 29 clients to their first mammogram
 - 3 clients to their first cervical screening



Summary

- Always submit an application for your patients even if you don't think they will qualify
- If they are denied for the BCC program they may be eligible for PN services
- Clients will be enrolled in PN based on available funding and other resources
- We offer both breast and cervical PN services

Questions?



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