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For general information or to refer a patient to the Center for Cancer Care at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center call (815)227-2273.

The annual report is prepared by Lynn Kiehl, CTR, Supervisor Cancer Registry and Tanya Magnuson, CTR, and dedicated to our cancer patients and their families for inspiring us with their courage.
Cancer Committee

The Cancer Committee is a multidisciplinary group comprised of physicians from various specialties as well as representatives from departments that provide support and manage cancer care. The committee guides and implements cancer-related policies and programs for OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, and meets quarterly to accomplish these activities.

A special thank you to the Cancer Committee members for their dedicated leadership and tireless efforts.

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In early 2012, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center was notified that the cancer program was identified as a recipient of the 2011 CoC Outstanding Achievement Award and is one of a select group of 106 currently accredited cancer programs across the United States.

Additionally, on February 5, 2012 we were notified that the Center for Cancer Care has received Quality Oncology Practice Initiative Certification from the American Society of Clinical Oncology. The QOPI® Certification Program is a new initiative to certify oncology practices that meet very rigorous standards for high-quality cancer care. The Center for Cancer Care was the seventh oncology practice in Illinois to achieve this prestigious certification and 116th oncology practice nationally.

We are also very fortunate to have inaugurated the latest and greatest cutting edge radiotherapy technology. The OSF Saint Anthony Center for Cancer Care is the only medical facility in the region to utilize the TrueBeam radiotherapy system, the latest advancement in image-guided radiotherapy technology from Varian Medical Systems.

We personally extend our thanks to a team of extremely motivated and dedicated physicians, nurses, therapists, cancer registry team, multi-disciplinary staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts on behalf of our patients, their families and the entire community we serve. Their collaborative efforts ensured quality patient care and are reflected in the national recognition of our cancer program.

We also remain grateful for the support received from the administration at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center that continues to allow the program to move forward and grow.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Nora, MD, MBA, FACP
Medical Director for Oncology Service

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Clinical Director for Oncology Services

On behalf of OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center’s cancer program, it is an honor to share the 2012 Center for Cancer Care annual report.
The CoC Outstanding Achievement Award (OAA) is awarded to cancer programs that demonstrate excellence in providing quality care to cancer patients. These programs demonstrate excellence in six specific areas: cancer committee leadership, cancer data management, clinical management, research, community outreach, and quality improvement.

Performance is assessed during an on-site evaluation by a physician surveyor. In addition, facilities must receive a compliance rating for another twenty-nine cancer program standards. 106 programs in the U.S. received this award.

There are currently more than 1,500 CoC-accredited cancer programs in the U.S. and Puerto Rico, representing thirty percent of all hospitals. CoC-accredited facilities diagnose and/or treat more than seventy percent of all newly diagnosed cancer patients each year.

Established in 1922 by the American College of Surgeons, the Commission on Cancer is a consortium of professional organizations dedicated to improving patient outcomes and quality of life for cancer patients through standard-setting, prevention, research, education and the monitoring of comprehensive quality care. Its membership includes Fellows of the American College of Surgeons and representatives of forty-nine national organizations that reflect the full spectrum of cancer care.

The CoC provides the public with information on the resources, services, and cancer treatment experience for each CoC-accredited cancer program through the CoC Hospital Locator at www.facs.org/cancerprogram/index.html and through the American Cancer Society’s National Cancer Information Center at 1-800-ACS-2345.
On January, 13, 2012, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center became one of seven hospitals in Illinois to be recognized by the Quality Oncology Practice Initiative (QOPI) Certification Program, an affiliate of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO). As of January, 12, 2012, only 116 oncology practices nationally had received this designation. The QOPI Certification Program is a new initiative to certify oncology practices that meet rigorous standards for high-quality cancer care. The certification program helps practices determine whether they are providing the best treatment and care possible to their patients and demonstrates a commitment to excellence and on-going quality improvement.

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 care they provide to patients. Through the QOPI program, practices abstract data from patients’ records up to twice per year and enter this information into a secure database. QOPI analyzes individual practice data and compares it to more than 80 evidence-based and consensus quality measures. The information is then provided in reports to participating practices. Individual practices are then able to compare their performance to data from practices across the country. Based on this feedback, practices can identify areas for continuous quality improvement.

OSF Saint Anthony Center for Cancer Care was the first oncology practice to receive this certification in 2012 and is the first in Rockford and northwestern Illinois region to receive this certification from ASCO and QOPI.

Commitment to Excellence
Staff Accomplishments and Involvement

Shauna Fletcher, RN, OCN, was presented with the Interdisciplinary Clinical Excellence “Professional Practice” Award for clinical expertise in chemotherapy administration, making her a role model and mentor for new oncology nurses.

Terri Halverson, radiation therapist, was nominated for the Interdisciplinary Clinical Excellence Award “Above and Beyond.”

Amy Clendening, BSN, RN, OCN, was nominated for the Interdisciplinary Clinical Excellence Award “Performance Improvement.” She was also nominated for the Physician Choice Award. Amy is the web-site chair for the Northwest Illinois Chapter of ONS.

Julia Carlson, MSN APN AOCNS, the oncology clinical nurse specialist at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, traveled to Thimphu, Bhutan in September, 2012. Bhutan is a small country (population appx 700,000) near China and India. This was sponsored by Health Volunteers Overseas and the American Society of Clinical Oncology. She spent 10 days working with the oncology nurses at National Referral Hospital in Bhutan in order to improve the quality of care for patients with cancer in that country. She traveled to Honduras in 2011 for the same program—with the goal of providing training and education to health care providers in developing countries. She plans to continue her relationship with the oncology nurses in both countries and is now the program director for the Honduras and Bhutan Oncology Programs at Health Volunteers Overseas. She plans to return to both countries within two-three years.
During 2012, the staff at the OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center Cancer Care (CFCC) partnered with several community organizations in the Rockford area. These partnerships are instrumental in meeting the needs of the community by preventing, diagnosing, treating cancer and providing support for patients and their families.

The following community events and programs were held in 2012 in support of the OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center cancer program and our patients:

**Skin Cancer Screening:** The annual skin cancer screening event was held on May 5, 2012. Dermatologists provided a screening of exposed skin of participants. There was also information regarding skin cancer, skin cancer prevention and myths and facts on sunscreen and tanning beds.

**Bow Tie March:** On Saturday, June 9, 2012, OSF Saint Anthony was proud to participate in the 2nd Annual Bow Tie March for Men’s Cancer Awareness. The event was a 1.5 mile walk with proceeds benefiting cancer-related counseling, education and support services at Healing Pathways Cancer Resource Center. OSF Saint Anthony hosted an educational booth with prevention and early detection information.

**Relay for Life:** On June 22, 2012, OSF Saint Anthony had a special opportunity to partner with the American Cancer Society (ACS) and other area organizations and health care systems to support Relay for Life. A team from the CFCC participated in the walk, and provided prevention education to many of the participants.

**Pink Heals Tour and Open House:** On August 26, 2012, the OSF Center for Cancer Care, along with the Rockford Fire and Police departments, participated in supporting the “Cares Enough to Wear Pink Movement.” The CFCC hosted an open house and were visited by the pink trucks and firefighters on their journey across the United States to raise awareness and money to fight women’s cancers. The pink trucks also visited homes of three OSF patients offering support and hope to the patients and their families. Educational displays along with representatives from the American Cancer Society, Healing Pathways Resource Center and the OSF Women’s Center were on hand to provide information regarding programs and services.

**Black Health Coalition’s Silver Chalice Health Fair:** On September 15, 2012, the nursing staff worked with oncologists to draw blood for PSA screenings and assist with rectal exams, and clinical breast exams were performed. Nurses also volunteered to teach about the importance of colonoscopies and rectal cancer screening, as well as the importance of mammograms and monthly self breast examinations and breast cancer screening.

**Pink Glove Contest:** OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center participated in the Pink Glove Contest this year to raise awareness regarding breast cancer, as well as to attempt to win $10,000 for its breast cancer charity of choice, the American Cancer Society’s Making Strides against Breast Cancer in Rockford. Staff throughout the medical center produced a video which was posted on Facebook and YouTube.

**Styling for Pink 2012:** Making Strides against Breast Cancer Fashion Show Fundraiser was held on October 7, 2012 at Cliffbreakers Riverside Resort. The CFCC hosted an educational booth related to early detection and prevention.

**Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk:** The American Cancer Society walk was held on Saturday, October 13, 2012 at Martin Park in Loves Park, IL. OSF had a very spirited team, as well as an educational booth staffed by the Women’s Center. More than 6,000 individuals from the community participated in the walk.

**Additional Breast Cancer Awareness Activities:** Radio station B-103 interviewed Kent Hoskins, Iftekhar Ahmad, MD, Lisa Bruno and Peggy Rogers from the Center for Cancer Care. The informative interviews were aired on the radio station and posted on its website. Portions of OSF Saint Anthony Pink Glove Dance video were aired on WIFR, WREX and WTVO TV stations during the month of October.

**American Cancer Society Partnership:** The American Cancer Society and the OSF Saint Anthony CFCC work together to offer cancer patients and their families support and resources to assist them on their cancer journey. The ACS staff and volunteers provide on-site support and access to services for patients with cancer.

**CANCER CONFERENCE**

Cancer conferences provide an open forum for multidisciplinary presentations and discussions on various treatment options and ultimately the determination of the most appropriate patient management plan.

Weekly cancer conferences continued with enthusiasm in 2011 and were extremely well attended by the medical staff. There were 50 Wednesday morning conferences, which are approved and certified for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™.

These convenient on-site educational opportunities for the medical staff included diagnostic, pathologic and treatment overviews on 199 cases. The most commonly presented primary cancers were breast, head & neck, lung, colon, lymphoma, melanoma and brain. Physicians and health care professionals are welcome to attend these meetings that enhance patient care.
Information obtained in demographics is important. By understanding our patient population, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center is able to offer community education, improve screening programs, implement state of the art technology, offer clinical trials and provide enhanced support services.

## 2011 Statistical Summary

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Patients who were diagnosed and received all or part of their first course of treatment at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center. The data in this report will reflect only analytic cases.

Patients who were diagnosed and received their entire first course of treatment at an outside institution and now come for treatment after initial treatment failure or with recurrent disease.

### Geographic Distribution

The chart reflects that 67 percent of our cancer patients in 2011 were residents from Winnebago County, with the second highest population residing in Boone County. These numbers have remained similar over the past several years.

### Age & Gender Distribution

In terms of gender, females comprise 57 percent of all cases in 2011, with the highest incidence appearing in the 60-69 year old bracket. For males, the highest incidence occurred in both the 60 and 70 year old age brackets.

### Genetic Cancer Risk Assessment Program

Cancer genetics refers to the medical field that examines the hereditary risks of specific cancers. OSF Saint Anthony Center for Cancer Care offers a cancer risk assessment program that has been created to help men and women with cancer in their family who may be at increased risk for hereditary breast, ovarian and/or colon cancer. This program offers one-on-one care and consultation with our genetic risk assessment nurse, genetic counselor and oncologist.

Methods of genetic risk assessment include statistical models, analysis of family history and other clinical characteristics that might indicate a likelihood of an inherited predisposition to cancer. The purpose of identifying a person with an increased risk of cancer is to improve his/her health outcome or quality of life. Once the risk has been identified, clinical management strategies can be used to prevent cancer or diagnosis cancer at an early treatable stage. Having knowledge of increased risk enables the individual to make more informed decisions about reproduction, risk reduction, and other life decisions.

For individuals with a family history or personal history that is suggestive of hereditary predisposition to cancer, genetic counseling is available to discuss risk reduction strategies, specialized screening test, and the availability of genetic testing. The risk assessment team will provide an estimate of a person’s risk for specific cancers based upon age, family history and other risk factors.

For further information about the program please contact Peggy Rogers, Genetics Risk Assessment Nurse, at 815-227-2265.
Major Site Comparison

As presented in the chart, the most common cancers diagnosed and/or treated at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center in 2011 were breast, lung, colorectal, bladder and melanoma. The top five sites were compared with state and national statistics. OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center continues to be a proven leader in the diagnosis and treatment of the major sites, meeting or exceeding national and state estimates.

2011 Total Analytic Incidence

The primary cancer site for cancers first seen at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center in 2011 is listed by gender and cancer stage at diagnosis. The cancer stage at diagnosis is helpful to clinicians in treatment planning and predicts survival. The American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) defines how far the cancer has spread by classifying the disease into four main stage groups, or extent of disease. Some cancer sites do not have site-specific staging classifications available.

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Bridges

Bridges, the Breast Health Navigator Program, was initiated in January 2007. The program’s certified Breast Health Navigator uses her knowledge and personal experience with breast cancer to help guide women and their families through the various phases of breast cancer diagnosis, treatment and recovery. Since the program’s debut, over 625 women have been offered assistance and “navigation.” Referrals to the program come directly from the Women’s Center and oncology staff. In addition to assisting women with the physical aspects and educational needs of their care, the Navigator is able to focus on the emotional and psychosocial needs of the patient and family, needs that are often overlooked. In 2008, the Navigator assumed the role of facilitator for the monthly Woman to Woman Breast Cancer Support Group. The Navigator is also active with breast cancer awareness activities in the community, encouraging participation from staff and survivors.

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BREAST: Analysis of Major Site

Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in women today (after lung cancer) and, excluding non-melanoma skin cancers, it is the most common cancer among women. The American Cancer Society estimates that 230,480 new cases of invasive breast cancer were expected to occur among women in the United States in 2011. In addition to invasive breast cancer, approximately 57,650 new cases of in situ breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed.

As noted earlier, the largest analytic cancer site in 2011 at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center was breast. It was also presented at weekly cancer conferences at a greater frequency than other sites. The experience at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center exceeded the state and national statistics with breast cancer representing 16 percent of newly diagnosed cases.

Believing that women deserve specialized care from a team of experts the OSF Women’s Center has joined forces with the OSF Center for Cancer Care and together they play a critical role in the discovery and management of breast cancer.

In 2011, a total of 137 breast cancer cases were accessioned, of which 132 were analytic. Infiltrating ductal carcinoma accounted for 67 percent of cases, while 21 percent were carcinoma insitu and 5 percent were infiltrating lobular carcinoma.

The incidence of breast cancer increases with age, with the average peak incidence in the sixth and seventh decade. Thirty percent of patients diagnosed with breast cancer at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center in 2011, were 70-79 years old.

Staging

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Treatment decisions are made in a multidisciplinary fashion, with input from various specialists including a surgeon, medical oncologist, radiation oncologist, plastic surgeon, radiologist, pathologist and a supportive team from physical rehabilitation, nutrition, genetic counseling and social services. The care follows the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) guidelines to ensure the best, yet personalized, care for each breast cancer patient. Patients may also be offered the latest in clinical trials if eligible.

Outcomes

Based on data collected from 2003-2005, where all patients had a minimum five years of follow-up, statistics from the OSF cancer registry were compared to the NCDB. Consistently, across all stages of breast cancer where data was available, patients in the OSF cancer program had equal or superior outcomes.

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Bridges

TrueBeam Bridges, the Breast Health Navigator Program, was initiated in January 2007. The program’s certified Breast Health Navigator uses her knowledge and personal experience with breast cancer to help guide women and their families through the various phases of breast cancer diagnosis, treatment and recovery. Since the program’s debut, over 625 women have been offered assistance and “navigation.” Referrals to the program come directly from the Women’s Center and oncology staff. In addition to assisting women with the physical aspects and educational needs of their care, the Navigator is able to focus on the emotional and psychosocial needs of the patient and family, needs that are often overlooked. In 2008, the Navigator assumed the role of facilitator for the monthly Woman to Woman Breast Cancer Support Group. The Navigator is also active with breast cancer awareness activities in the community, encouraging participation from staff and survivors.

Major Site Comparison

As presented in the chart, the most common cancers diagnosed and/or treated at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center in 2011 were breast, lung, colorectal, bladder and melanoma. The top five sites were compared with state and national statistics. OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center continues to be a proven leader in the diagnosis and treatment of the major sites, meeting or exceeding national and state estimates.

2011 Total Analytic Incidence

The primary cancer site for cancers first seen at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center in 2011 is listed by gender and cancer stage at diagnosis. The cancer stage at diagnosis is helpful to clinicians in treatment planning and predicts survival. The American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) defines how far the cancer has spread by classifying the disease into four main stage groups, or extent of disease.

Comparison of Top Five Sites in 2011

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Information obtained in demographics is important. By understanding our patient population, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center is able to offer community education, improve screening programs, implement state of the art technology, offer clinical trials and provide enhanced support services.

2011 STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Total Cases 842
Analytic Cases 799 (95%)
Patients who were diagnosed and received all or part of their first course of treatment at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center. The data in this report will reflect only analytic cases.
Non-Analytic Cases 43 (5%)
Patients who were diagnosed and received their entire first course of treatment at an outside institution and now come for treatment after initial treatment failure or with recurrent disease.

Geographic Distribution

The chart reflects that 67 percent of our cancer patients in 2011 were residents from Winnebago County, with the second highest population residing in Boone County. These numbers have remained similar over the past several years.

Age & Gender Distribution

In terms of gender, females comprise 57 percent of all cases in 2011, with the highest incidence appearing in the 60-69 year old bracket. For males the highest incidence occurred in both the 60 and 70 year old age brackets.

Genetic Cancer Risk Assessment Program

Cancer genetics refers to the medical field that examines the hereditary risks of specific cancers.
OSF Saint Anthony Center for Cancer Care offers a cancer risk assessment program that has been created to help men and women with cancer in their family who may be at increased risk for hereditary breast, ovarian and or colon cancer. This program offers one-on-one care and consultation with our genetic risk assessment nurse, genetic counselor and oncologist.

Methods of genetic risk assessment include statistical models, analysis of family history and other clinical characteristics that might indicate a likelihood of an inherited predisposition to cancer. The purpose of identifying a person with an increased risk of cancer is to improve his/her health outcome or quality of life. Once the risk has been identified, clinical management strategies can be used to prevent cancer or diagnosis cancer at an early treatable stage. Having knowledge of increased risk enables the individual to make more informed decisions about reproduction, risk reduction, and other life decisions.

For individuals with a family history or personal history that is suggestive of hereditary predisposition to cancer, genetic counseling is available to discuss risk reduction strategies, specialized screening test, and the availability of genetic testing. The risk assessment team will provide an estimate of a person’s risk for specific cancers based upon age, family history and other risk factors.

For further information about the program please contact Peggy Rogers, Genetics Risk Assessment Nurse, at 815-227-2265.
Reaching Out and Making a Difference

During 2012, the staff at the OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center (CFCC) partnered with several community organizations in the Rockford area. These partnerships are instrumental in meeting the needs of the community by preventing, diagnosing, treating cancer and providing support for patients and their families.

The following community events and programs were held in 2012 in support of the OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center cancer program and our patients:

Skin Cancer Screening: The annual skin cancer screening event was held on May 5, 2012. Dermatologists provided a screening of exposed skin of participants. There was also information regarding skin cancer, skin cancer prevention and myths and facts on sunscreen and tanning beds.

Bow Tie March: On Saturday, June 9, 2012, OSF Saint Anthony was proud to participate in the 2nd Annual Bow Tie March For Men’s Cancer Awareness. The event was a 1.5 mile walk with proceeds benefiting cancer-related counseling, education and support services at Healing Pathways Cancer Resource Center. OSF Saint Anthony hosted an educational booth with prevention and early detection information.

Relay for Life: On June 22, 2012, OSF Saint Anthony had a special opportunity to partner with the American Cancer Society (ACS) and other area organizations and health care systems to support Relay for Life. A team from the CFCC participated in the walk, and provided prevention education to many of the participants.

Pink Heals Tour and Open House: On August 26, 2012, the OSF Center for Cancer Care, along with the Rockford Fire and Police departments, participated in supporting the “Cares Enough to Wear Pink Movement.” The CFCC hosted an open house and were visited by the pink trucks and firefighters on their journey across the United States to raise awareness and money to fight women’s cancers. The pink trucks also visited homes of three OSF patients offering support and hope to the patients and their families. Educational displays along with representatives from the American Cancer Society, Healing Pathways Resource Center and the OSF Women’s Center were on hand to provide information regarding programs and services.

Black Health Coalition’s Silver Chalice Health Fair: On September 15, 2012, the nursing staff worked with oncologists to draw blood for PSA screenings and assist with rectal exams, and clinical breast exams were performed. Nurses also volunteered to teach about the importance of colonoscopies and rectal cancer screening, as well as the importance of mammograms and monthly self breast examinations and breast cancer screening.

Pink Glove Contest: OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center participated in the Pink Glove Contest this year to raise awareness regarding breast cancer, as well as to attempt to win $10,000 for its breast cancer charity of choice, the American Cancer Society’s Making Strides against Breast Cancer in Rockford. Staff throughout the medical center produced a video which was posted on Facebook and YouTube.

Styling for Pink 2012: Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Fashion Show Fundraiser was held on October 7, 2012 at Cliffbreakers Riverside Resort. The CFCC hosted an educational booth related to early detection and prevention.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk: The American Cancer Society walk was held on Saturday, October 13, 2012 at Martin Park in Loves Park, Ill. OSF had a very spirited team, as well as an educational booth staffed by the Women’s Center. More than 6,000 individuals from the community participated in the walk.

Additional Breast Cancer Awareness Activities: Radio station B-103 interviewed Kent Hoskins, Iftikhar Ahmad, MD, Lisa Bruno and Peggy Rogers from the Center for Cancer Care. The informative interviews were aired on the radio station and posted on its website. Portions of OSF Saint Anthony Pink Glove Dance video were aired on WIFR, WREX and WTVO TV stations during the month of October.

American Cancer Society Partnership: The American Cancer Society and the OSF Saint Anthony CFCC work together to offer cancer patients and their families support and resources to assist them on their cancer journey. The ACS staff and volunteers provide on-site support and access to services for patients with cancer.

The Cancer Registry plays a vital role in maintaining accreditation approval standards set by the American College of Surgeons (ACoS) for the Center for Cancer Care at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center. The registry utilizes a data system designed for the collection, management, analysis, and reporting of clinical cancer information on all inpatients and outpatients diagnosed and/or treated for cancer at this facility.

As required by state law, registry data is reported to the Illinois State Cancer Registry (ISCR) at the Illinois Department of Public Health and also to the National Cancer Database (NCDB) where it is used as a benchmarking tool.

The collected data on more than 10,000 cases maintained in the cancer registry is available for use by the medical staff and other healthcare professionals for special studies, reports and research. During 2011, the registry responded to multiple requests for data from clinicians and administrative staff that were used for treatment planning and evaluation, outcome measurement, clinical research, and cancer program strategic planning.

The collection of accurate, complete and timely information is an ever-present goal of the cancer registry. Abstract audits are routinely performed by a physician to ensure quality of information of the analytic cases. OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center consistently meets and/or exceeds this standard.

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These convenient on-site educational opportunities for the medical staff included diagnostic, pathologic and treatment overviews on 199 cases. The most commonly presented primary cancers were breast, head & neck, lung, colon, lymphoma, melanoma and brain. Physicians and health care professionals are welcome to attend these meetings that enhance patient care.
On January 13, 2012, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center became one of seven hospitals in Illinois to be recognized by the Quality Oncology Practice Initiative (QOPI) Certification Program, an affiliate of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO). As of January 12, 2012, only 116 oncology practices nationally had received this designation. The QOPI Certification Program is a new initiative to certify oncology practices that meet rigorous standards for high-quality cancer care. The certification program helps practices determine whether they are providing the best treatment and care possible to their patients and demonstrates a commitment to excellence and on-going quality improvement.

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 care they provide to patients. Through the QOPI program, practices abstract data from patients’ records up to twice per year and enter this information into a secure database. QOPI analyzes individual practice data and compares it to more than 80 evidence-based and consensus quality measures. The information is then provided in reports to participating practices. Individual practices are then able to compare their performance to data from practices across the country. Based on this feedback, practices can identify areas for continuous quality improvement.

OSF Saint Anthony Center for Cancer Care was the first oncology practice to receive this certification in 2012 and is the first in Rockford and northwestern Illinois region to receive this certification from ASCO and QOPI.

Commitment to Excellence
Staff Accomplishments and Involvement

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Reach out to Bhutan

Julie Carlson, MSN APN AOCNS, the oncology clinical nurse specialist at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, traveled to Thimphu, Bhutan in September, 2012. Bhutan is a small country (population appx 700,000) near China and India. This was sponsored by Health Volunteers Overseas and the American Society of Clinical Oncology. She spent 10 days working with the oncology nurses at National Referral Hospital in Bhutan in order to improve the quality of care for patients with cancer in that country. She traveled to Honduras in 2011 for the same program – with the goal of providing training and education to health care providers in developing countries. She plans to continue her relationship with the oncology nurses in both countries and is now the program director for the Honduras and Bhutan Oncology Programs at Health Volunteers Overseas. She plans to return to both countries within two-three years.

Julie Carlson, RN, MSN, APN, AOCNS, is the membership and program chair for the Northwest Chapter of ONS.

Beth Hayden, RN, MBA, OCN, presented “Promoting Excellence in Cancer Care: Quality Oncology Practice Initiative (QOPI)” at the 2012 American College of Oncology Administrators Oncology National Conference in Chicago, on June 21, 2012. She also presented a poster abstract titled “Quality Oncology Practice Initiative…The Blueprint for Oncology Practice” at the 2012 Oncology Nursing Society Congress in New Orleans. Beth received the 2012 Rockford YWCA Women of Achievement Business Award, as well as serves as the secretary of the Northwest Illinois Chapter of ONS.

Peggy Malone, RN, BS, MA, OCN presented “Pursuing Useful Knowledge of Emesis (PUKE)” at the 2012 National Conference of Evidenced Based Practice at the University of Iowa in May 2012.

تضامن و الإلتزام

تْسبع مستشفيات في إلينوي تم الاعتراف بها من قبل تنظيم جودة العلاج السريري (QOPI)، الذراع التابع لجمعية الأورتون كلينيكال أونكولوجي (ASCO). كجزء من حملة التقييم 12، 2012، فقط 116 ممارسة سريرية على مستوى البلاد تلقوا هذه الاعتراف. تهدف حملة QOPI التقييم إلى сертировة ممارسات السريرية التي تحقق معايير جودة عالية للعلاج السريري. تساعد هذه الحملة الممارسات في تحديد ما إذا كانوا يقدمون العلاج الأفضل والرعاية للمرضى، بالإضافة إلى التزامهم بالجودة المستمرة والتحسين المستمر.

QOPI هي برنامج خاص وتقديرية وتحسينية تم إطلاقه بواسطة ASCO في عام 2006، بهدف مساعدة ممارسات السريرية في التقييم لجودة الخدمة التي يقدمها للمريض. من خلال حملة QOPI، تجمع الممارسات البيانات من نشاطات المريض على مدار السنة الأربعة، وترفع هذه المعلومات إلى البيانات المحمية. QOPI تحليل بيانات الممارسة الفردية، ومقارنة هذه البيانات مع أكثر من 80 مقياس جودة مبني على الأدلة والآراء المشتركة. يتم تقديم هذه المعلومات للممارسات المشاركة. يمكن للممارسات الفردية مقارنة أداءها مع بيانات الممارسات الأخرى في البلاد.

الإنجازات والمشاركة

شونا فلتشر، RN، OCN، جائزة تقديرية مدرسة جودة السريرية “الممارسة الفردية” بسبب مهاراتها التخصصية في administration chemotherapy، مما يجعلها نموذجًا ومرجعًا للممرضات الجدد.

تيري هالفرسن، مолودية الإشعاع، ترشحت لجائزة تقديرية مدرسة جودة السريرية “أعلى وما فوق ذلك”.

إيمي كليندينغ، BSN، RN، OCN، ترشحت لجائزة تقديرية مدرسة جودة السريرية “التحسن الإنتاجي”. كما ترشحت أيضاً لجائزة اختيار الطبيب. إيمي هي رئيسة المكتب الإلكتروني للمجلس الغربي للإفتتاح الصناعي.

reach out to Bhutan

جوليا كارلتون، MSN APN AOCNS، الممرضة السريرية الجراحية المتخصصة في OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center، سافرت إلى تيمبور، بوتان في سبتمبر 2012. بوتان دولة صغيرة (عدد السكان حوالي 00،000) بالقرب من الصين والهند. هذه الدعوى مدعومة من Health Volunteers Overseas وجمعية الأورتون كلينيكال أونكولوجي. قضاية 10 أيام مع الممرضات السريرية في 복합 رعاية الرعاية في بوتان لتحسين جودة الرعاية لمرضى السرير في هذا البلد. سافرت إلى هندوراس في عام 2011 للاستفادة من النتائج ذات الصلة – بتوجيه الهدف من تقديم التدريب والتعليم للمقدمين للرعاية الصحية في البلدان المدفوعات.

جوليا كارلتون، RN، MSN، APN، AOCNS، هي رئيسة المجلة والعضو في المكتب الغربي للمجلس الافتتاحي من ONS.
The CoC Outstanding Achievement Award (OAA) is awarded to cancer programs that demonstrate excellence in providing quality care to cancer patients. These programs demonstrate excellence in six specific areas: cancer committee leadership, cancer data management, clinical management, research, community outreach, and quality improvement.

Performance is assessed during an on-site evaluation by a physician surveyor. In addition, facilities must receive a compliance rating for another twenty-nine cancer program standards. 106 programs in the U.S. received this award.

There are currently more than 1,500 CoC-accredited cancer programs in the U.S. and Puerto Rico, representing thirty percent of all hospitals. CoC-accredited facilities diagnose and/or treat more than seventy percent of all newly diagnosed cancer patients each year.

Established in 1922 by the American College of Surgeons, the Commission on Cancer is a consortium of professional organizations dedicated to improving patient outcomes and quality of life for cancer patients through standard-setting, prevention, research, education and the monitoring of comprehensive quality care. Its membership includes Fellows of the American College of Surgeons and representatives of forty-nine national organizations that reflect the full spectrum of cancer care.

The CoC provides the public with information on the resources, services, and cancer treatment experience for each CoC-accredited cancer program through the CoC Hospital Locator at www.facs.org/cancerprogram/index.html and through the American Cancer Society’s National Cancer Information Center at 1-800-ACS-2345.
Cancer Committee is a multidisciplinary group comprised of physicians from various specialties as well as representatives from departments that provide support and manage cancer care. The committee guides and implements cancer-related policies and programs for OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center, and meets quarterly to accomplish these activities.

A special thank you to the Cancer Committee members for their dedicated leadership and tireless efforts.

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Eric Benink, MD, Administration
George Bryan, MD, Radiation Oncology
Kent Hoskins, MD, Medical Oncology
Ajaz Khan, MD, Medical Oncology
Mete Korkmaz, MD, Medical Oncology
David Laih, MD, Pathology
Stephen Lehnert, MD, Radiology
Clayton Malaker, MD, Family Medicine
Kenneth Mihelich, MD, General Surgery
Ismael Shaukat, MD, Medical Oncology
Shylendra Sreenivasappa, MD, Medical Oncology

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Julie Carlson, MSN, RN, APN, AOCNS, Oncology Nursing
Allison Gleason, R.T. (R) (M), Women’s Center
Beth Hayden, BSN, RN, MBA, OCN, Oncology Services
Heather Higgins, American Cancer Society
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CANCER COMMITTEE

On behalf of OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center’s cancer program, it is an honor to share the 2012 Center for Cancer Care annual report.

Caring for the health and needs of patients in our community is the paramount goal of the physicians and staff at the Center for Cancer Care. We constantly strive to improve all facets of care in order to provide the absolute best for the Rockford region. The Cancer Program is pleased and proud to share our accomplishments of this past year.

In early 2012, OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center was notified that the cancer program was identified as a recipient of the 2011 CoC Outstanding Achievement Award and is one of a select group of 106 currently accredited cancer programs across the United States.

Additionally, on February 5, 2012 we were notified that the Center for Cancer Care has received Quality Oncology Practice Initiative Certification from the American Society of Clinical Oncology. The QOPI® Certification Program is a new initiative to certify oncology practices that meet very rigorous standards for high-quality cancer care. The Center for Cancer Care was the seventh oncology practice in Illinois to achieve this prestigious certification and 116th oncology practice nationally.

We are also very fortunate to have inaugurated the latest and greatest cutting edge radiotherapy technology. The OSF Saint Anthony Center for Cancer Care is the only medical facility in the region to utilize the TrueBeam radiotherapy system, the latest advancement in image-guided radiotherapy technology from Varian Medical Systems.

In keeping with our Mission, we strive to provide a warm, supportive and dignified environment for patients at all stages of their disease, whether receiving treatment, rehabilitation or palliative care.

We personally extend our thanks to a team of extremely motivated and dedicated physicians, nurses, therapists, cancer registry team, multi-disciplinary staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts on behalf of our patients, their families and the entire community we serve. Their collaborative efforts ensured quality patient care and are reflected in the national recognition of our cancer program.

We also remain grateful for the support received from the administration at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center that continues to allow the program to move forward and grow.

Sincerely,

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For general information or to refer a patient to the Center for Cancer Care at OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center call (815)227-2273.

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