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Q and A

Q. Can you please send info on how to contact ASCO for additional questions regarding QOPI?

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Q. On yesterday's call about the QOPI participation, Jane mentioned that they had someone from their registry team to enter the abstract data because the registry is more familiar with that sort of data. Did they pull the registrar from day to day registry operations to do so, or did they compensate outside of normal operations for this work to be done?

A. At UM and in other facilities, I have seen both staffing models used; it depends upon how heavy the registry workload is if they can do it during regular business hours. Research staff are also very skilled in abstraction and can easily do the QOPI data abstraction. We use the registry for case finding in addition to our data warehouse team doing a query.

Q. Are your initiatives built into your EMR for better compliance/tracking/monitoring/reporting or is compliance monitored solely by your CRT's with verbal education to providers?

A. Most practices build the documentation improvements into their EHR if they are able. It ensures better compliance. Our improvement teams always have a physician champion on them, so they are defining future states. CRTs do the record abstraction and may be part of the improvement team, but it is usually a clinic ops team for improvements.

Q. So, you can participate in QOPI but not become QOPI certified, is this correct?

A. Yes, many practices / hospitals do not choose to go for certification, but still find value in assessing their performance to national standards of care. Practices can select any number of modules and whatever rounds of data they want to with QOPI as well, there are no requirements and it is free for ASCO members.