



NATIONAL ONCOLOGY STATE NETWORK

2019 Year In Review

History:

NOSN, incorporated on April 25, 2016 in the Commonwealth of Virginia, is an independent, non-profit 501(c) 6, action organization established by state oncology leaders, collaborating on emerging state issues in order to strengthen cancer care and policy across the country.

Purpose:

Collaborating; Educating; Advancing.

39 Charter States:

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NOSN Priorities

Pharmacy Standards USP 797/800

Ensure reasonable interpretation of USP Pharmacy Standards through monitoring and influencing states activities.

Goal: Develop resource documents including: 1) Intro to pharmacy Standards for Oncology Centers and Practices, 2) Preparedness Checklist and 3) List of known State Activities. Keep all NOSN States informed on progress.

Next Steps: Monitor State Activities and provide national best practice standards to each state so their practices may identify how they might fit under/comply with possible future enforcement.

Collaborative Care Team

NOSN will work with employer groups and business coalitions on access to oncology care for their employees.

Goal: Discuss the state of oncology for employers, what are they looking for; What are we able to deliver as a final goal of this group; Discuss the state needs; and Begin to create a template.

Next Steps: The Team will work together to create a template that includes How to identify the players and their roles within in your individual state; understand the book of business/state dynamics; how to start the conversation; obstacles/pitfalls.

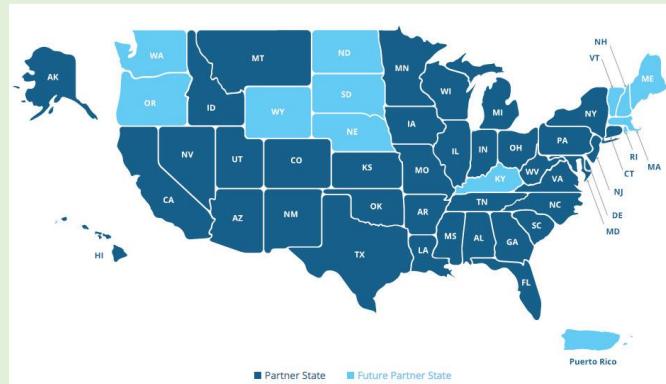
State Advocacy

Goal: Monitor and ensure consistent legislation across state lines, advancing cancer care at the state and national levels. Continue the focus of patient access equality.

Next Steps: Monitor state legislation on Prior Authorizations, Certificate of Need, Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBM's), Step Therapy, Oral Parity, and Copay Accumulators. Continue supporting the 340B Pause Act; work with CMS to ensure coverage for CAR T-Cell therapy; and the Proposed Rebate Safe Harbor Rule.

NOSN: A powerful and effective state lobbying force for cancer

- NOSN partners represent 39 different states.
- Focus on the needs and priorities at the state level where constituents can effect change close to home.



How is NOSN different?

What makes NOSN unique from other national organizations is that we seek change at the state level. NOSN is the bridge between state and national activities ensuring patient access equality across state lines.

NOSN facilitates states partnering to provide an effective response to oncology threats with:

- State-by-state intelligence to discover and share future threats by local, state or federal;
- Medicare/Medicaid regional contractors or private insurance companies;
- Prioritize and determine level and geographic range of threat amongst ourselves;
- Develop a coordinated response;
- Develop a singular effective message
- Pool our individual human resources and assets toward a common goal; and
- Reach out to our other health care partners, e.g. Pharma and patient advocacy groups, as a single unified group.

State Cancer Caucuses

To create opportunities for fostering continuous legislative engagement on oncology issues and a platform for ongoing attention to oncology topics as they arise. California, Indiana and Illinois have established caucuses and have already held various meetings. Connecticut, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Utah and Wisconsin are currently working on creating caucuses.

NOSN Annual Meeting:

Held on June 20-22, 2019. The Partners identified the Network's 2020 focus as "Patient Access Equality" and top priorities: 1) Ensuring reasonable interpretation of USP Pharmacy Standards through monitoring and influencing states activities, creating an implementation fact sheet and checklist for all oncology practices in the nation, and education; 2) Partner with employer groups and business coalitions addressing access to oncology care for their employees while mindful of cost; and 3) Monitor state legislation ensuring consistency across state lines.



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