

# High Stakes Dosimetry: Pushing the Limits with Prior Radiation

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# Objectives

## Teamwork

- Discuss the importance of communication and safety for prior radiation cases.



## Plan Optimization

- Explore different ways to navigate prior radiation during treatment planning.



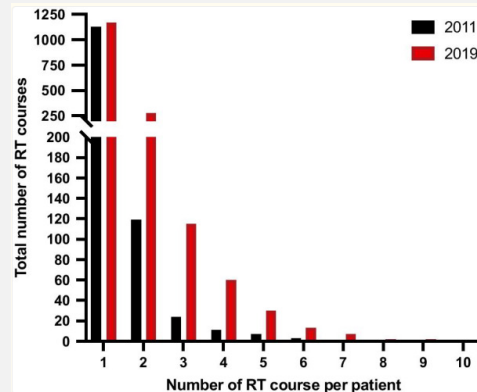
## Documentation

- Understand the prior radiation treatment documentation.



# Outline

## Background



- Prior Radiation History & Experience
- Survey Says...
- Future of Prior Radiation

## Setting Up For Success

### Retreat:

If area of previous treatment overlaps current course:

Nominal Max Dose: \_\_\_\_\_

Composite Max Dose: \_\_\_\_\_

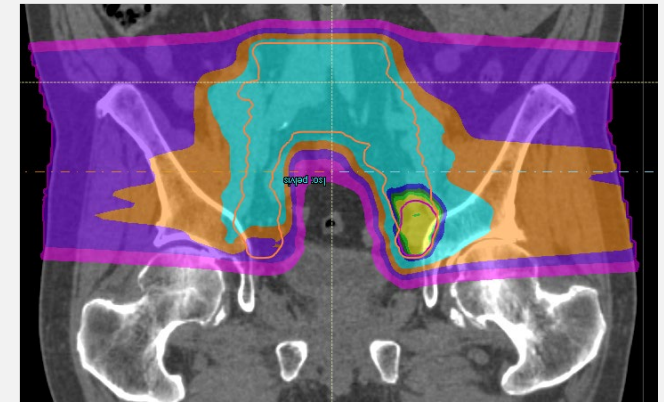
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EQD2: *if known at this time, EQD2 evaluation order entered in Mosaic*

- Communication & Standardization
- Tools for Planning

## Case Examples



- Pelvic Nodal
- Ribs
- Pubic Ramus

# Background

Why is prior radiation important moving into the future of the medical dosimetry profession?

# Prior Radiation Cases Increasing

Review of Sebastian Christ et.al paper:

## One Center's Patient Cohort-

Years: 2011-2019

Which Patients: Minimum of 5 treatment courses

Max number of courses: 10

## Increased Incidence of 5+ courses:

0.9% in 2011

6.5% in 2019



► [Radiat Oncol. 2021 Oct 30;16:208. doi: 10.1186/s13014-021-01934-y](#)

## Long-term cancer survivors treated with multiple courses of repeat radiation therapy

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# Prior Radiation Cases Stats

Northwestern WCC and Proton Center Version

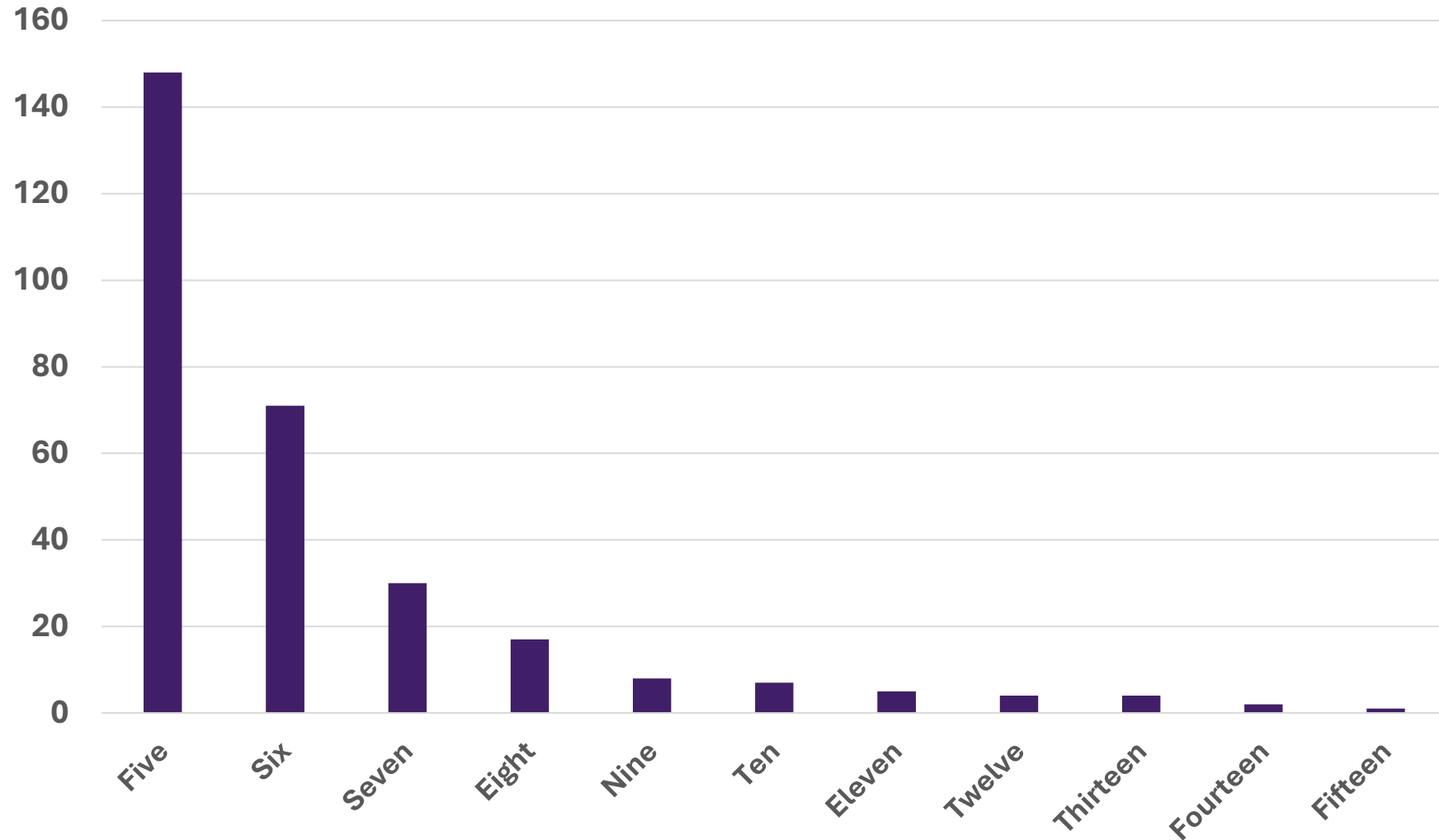
Patients

Years: 2010-2025

Which Patients: Minimum of 5 treatment courses

Stats: 297 patients with 5+ courses\*

1 patient with 15 courses



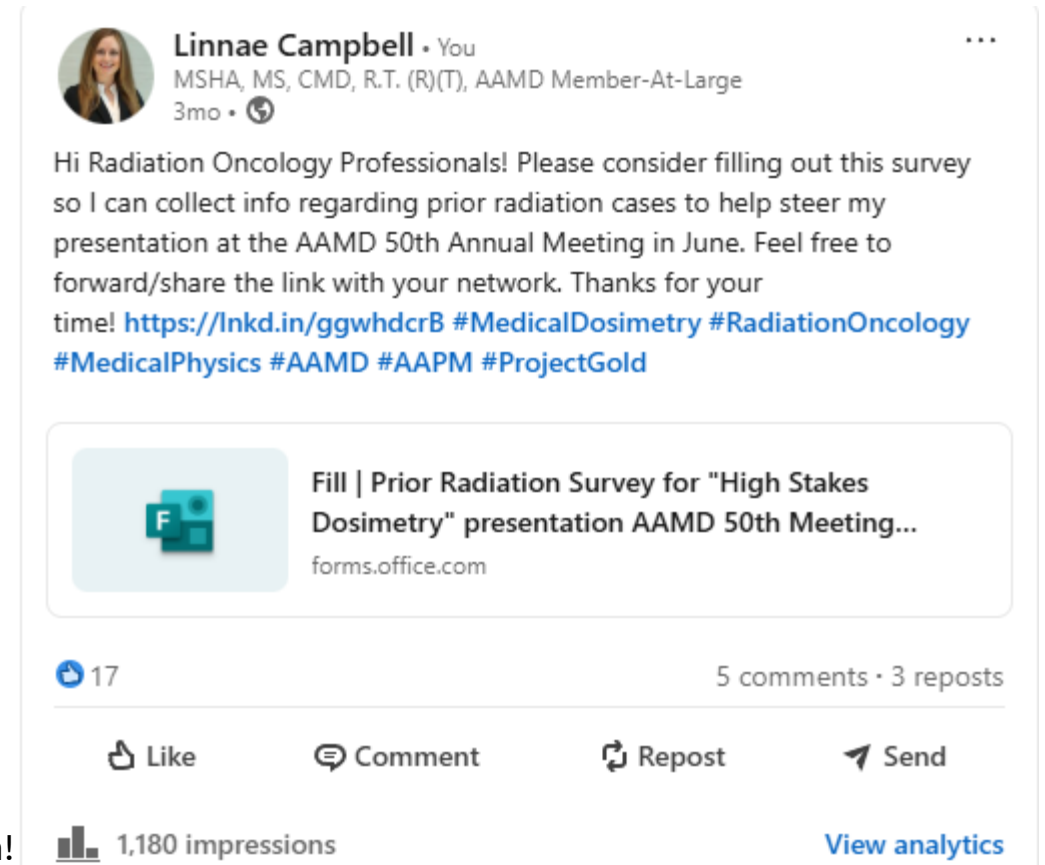
\*MOSAIQ records shared with other centers in region/accuracy with course numbering


# Survey Says...

Launched a survey on January 31, 2025


## Why?


- What are we doing as a profession?
- What is important to participants?
- Virtual way to get audience participation!
  - We'll see some of these survey answers sprinkled throughout the presentation!








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Hi Radiation Oncology Professionals! Please consider filling out this survey so I can collect info regarding prior radiation cases to help steer my presentation at the AAMD 50th Annual Meeting in June. Feel free to forward/share the link with your network. Thanks for your time! <https://lnkd.in/ggwhdcrB> #MedicalDosimetry #RadiationOncology #MedicalPhysics #AAMD #AAPM #ProjectGold

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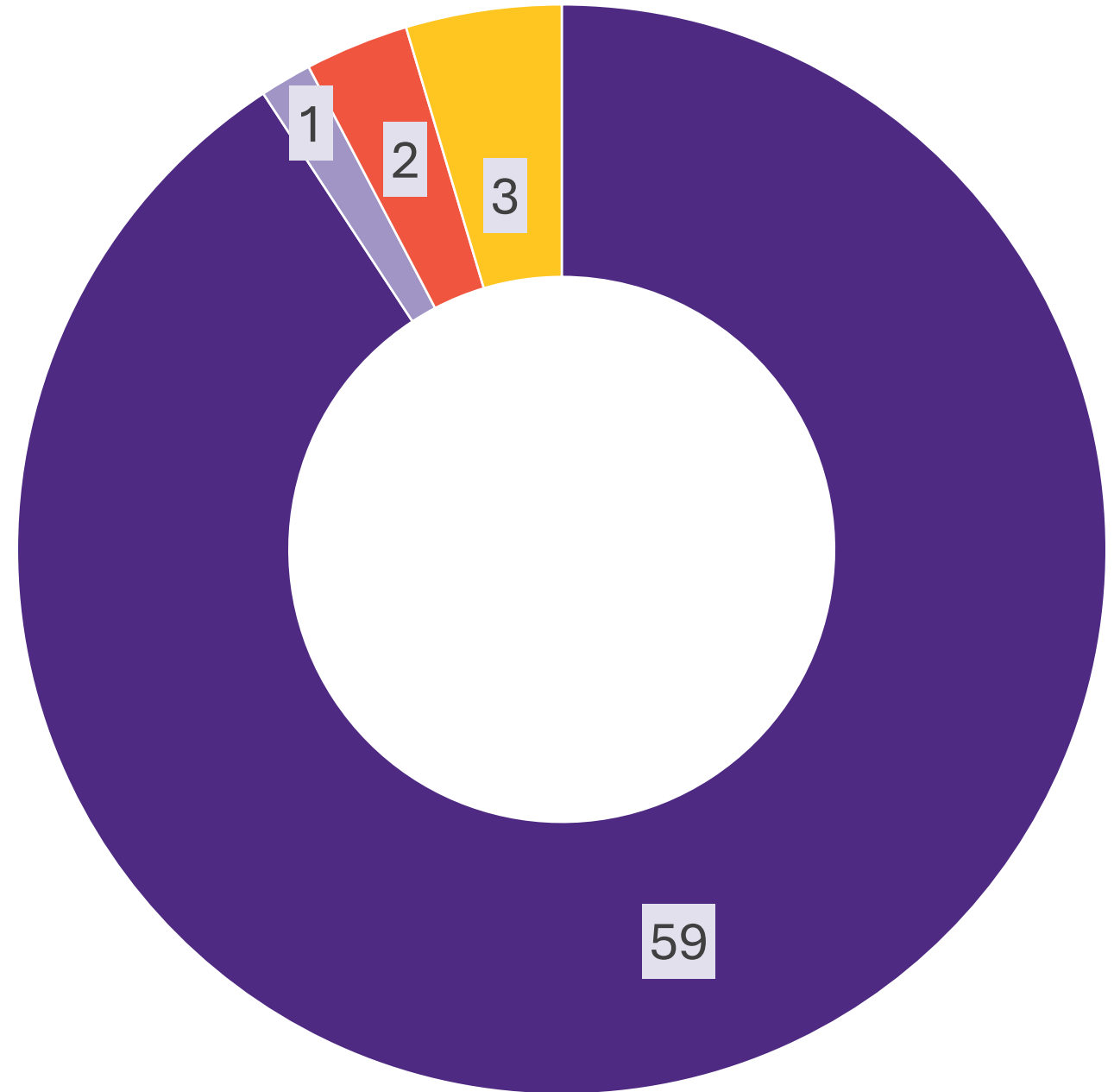
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# Who Took the Survey?

Target Audience: Medical Dosimetrists!

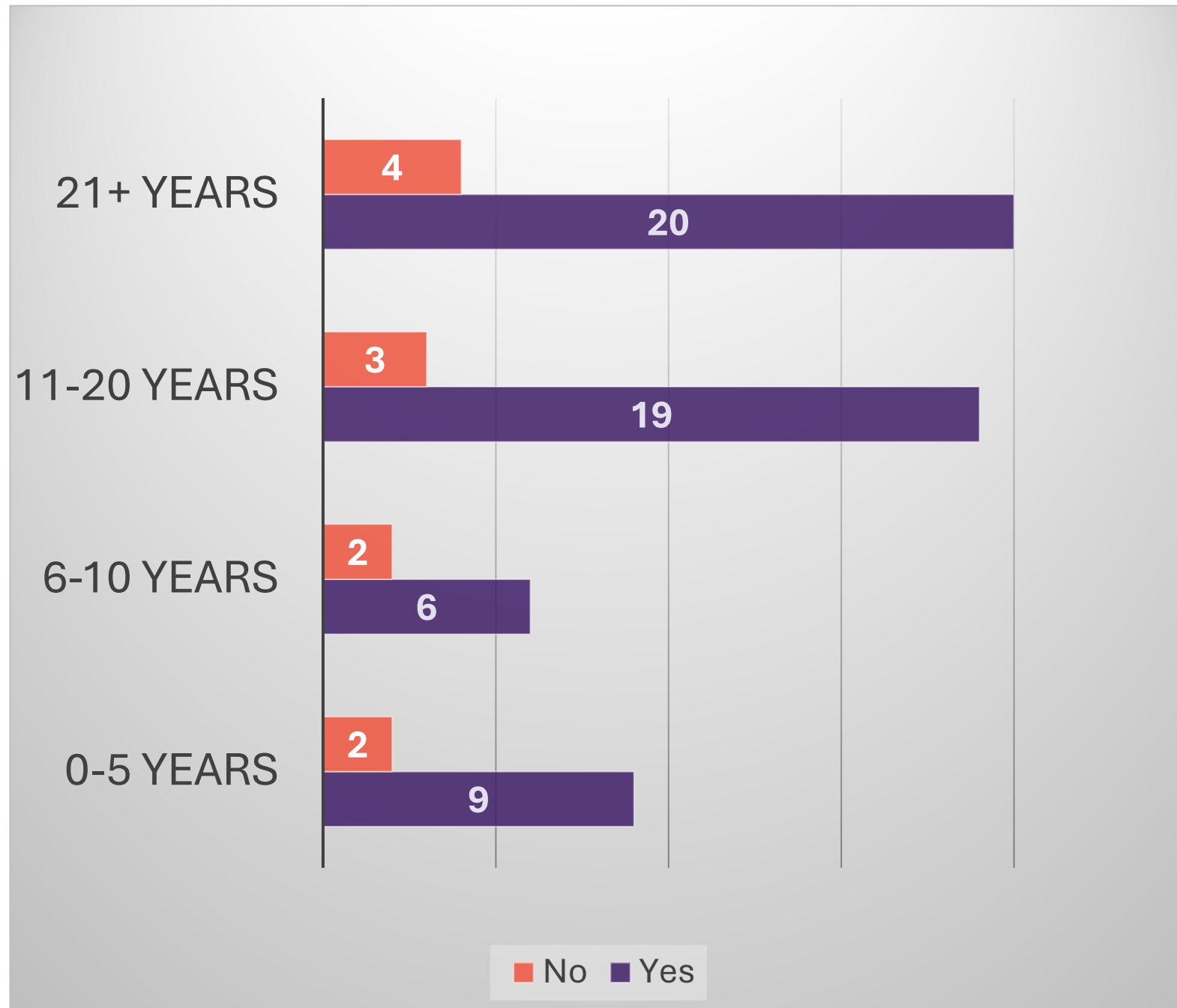
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- Medical Physicist
- Medical Dosimetry Student
- Radiation Oncologist



# Experience & Perception-Survey

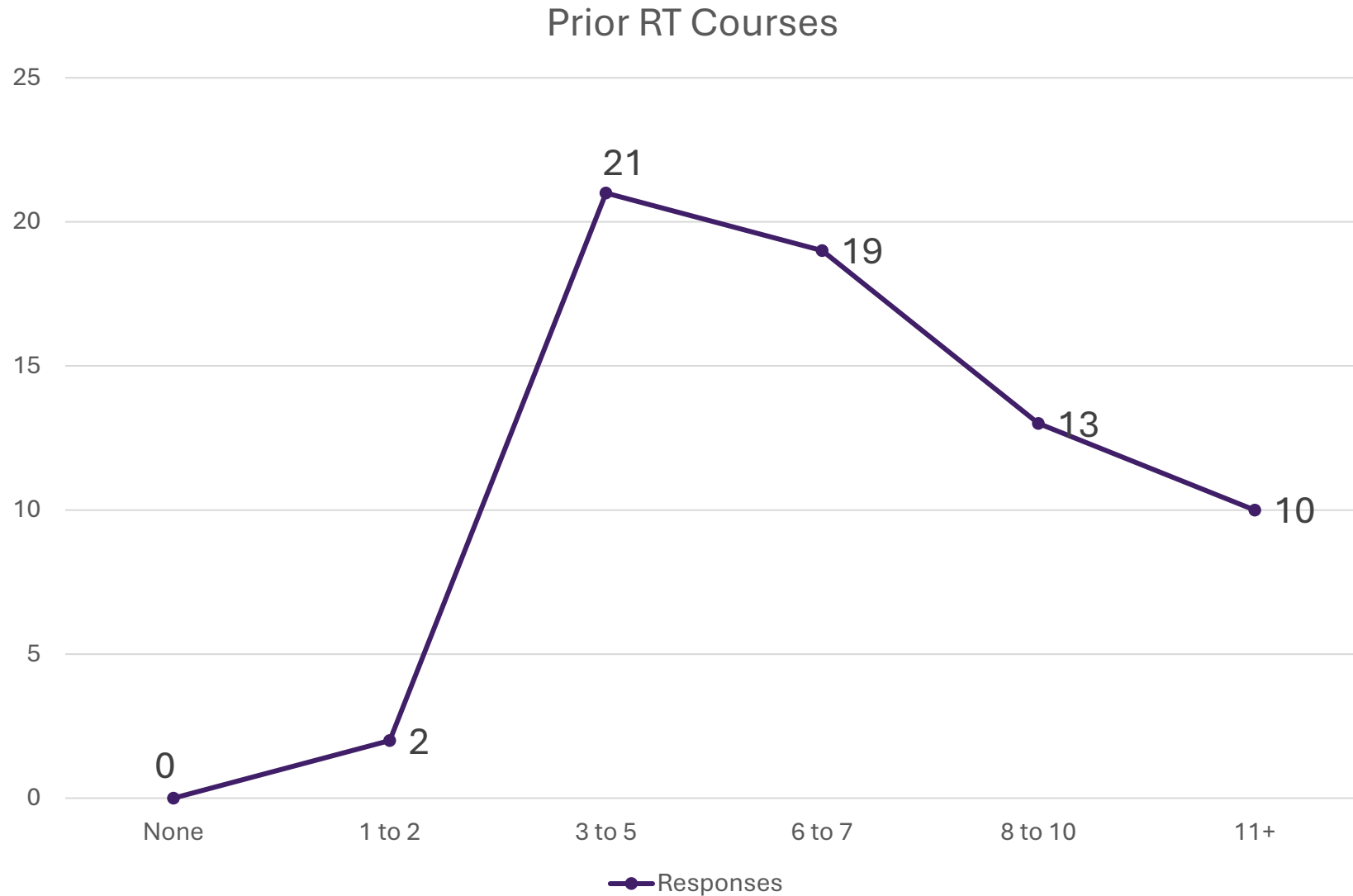
1. Years of Work in Radiation Oncology
2. Yes or No- Increase in Prior RT cases

**Majority of experienced rad onc professionals surveyed saw an increase in prior RT cases.**



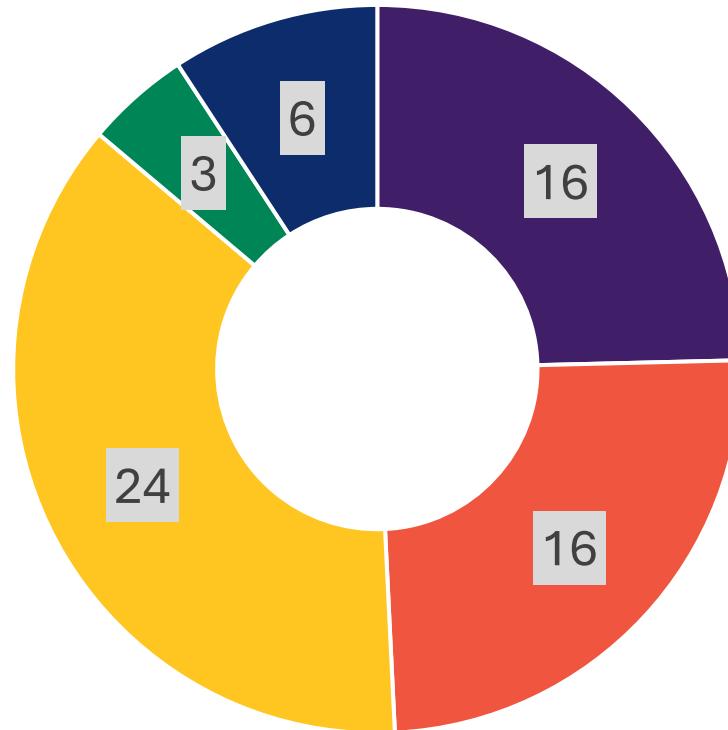
# How Many Priors Have We Seen?

Survey Result



# What's the Challenge with Prior RT?- Survey

Responses



■ Fusion ■ Optimization ■ Physician Indecision during Planning ■ Physician Case Review ■ Other

# Categorizing Prior Radiation Cases-Survey

NM Radiation Oncology Employee Inspired Version





# Future of Prior Radiation Cases

What are we likely to encounter?

- **Balance of Treat or Not to Treat (Toxicity)**
- **“Challenges”:**
  - Which Patients to Treat
    - Long Term Survival Increase = Increase in Multiple Radiotherapy Courses
    - Potential for Increased Psychological Distress
  - Predicting Side Effects and Tumor Radiosensitivity
- **Site of treatment-determining factor of outcomes:**
  - Hematologic Toxicity
    - Infection, Fatigue, Increased Bleeding


## Reirradiation – still navigating uncharted waters? ☆

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## Quality-of-life and toxicity in cancer patients treated with multiple courses of radiation therapy

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# Setting Up for Success

# Communication & Standardization

What can we do within our organizations to prepare for prior radiation cases?

# Key Component for Success is Communication



## **Acquiring Prior RT records**

Completion Notes

DICOM Files



## **Clear Goals and Collaboration for the Treatment**

Consultation of Patient/Consult  
Assessment

Complex Case Conference

Planning Directives

Teams-ing Physician



## **Documentation**

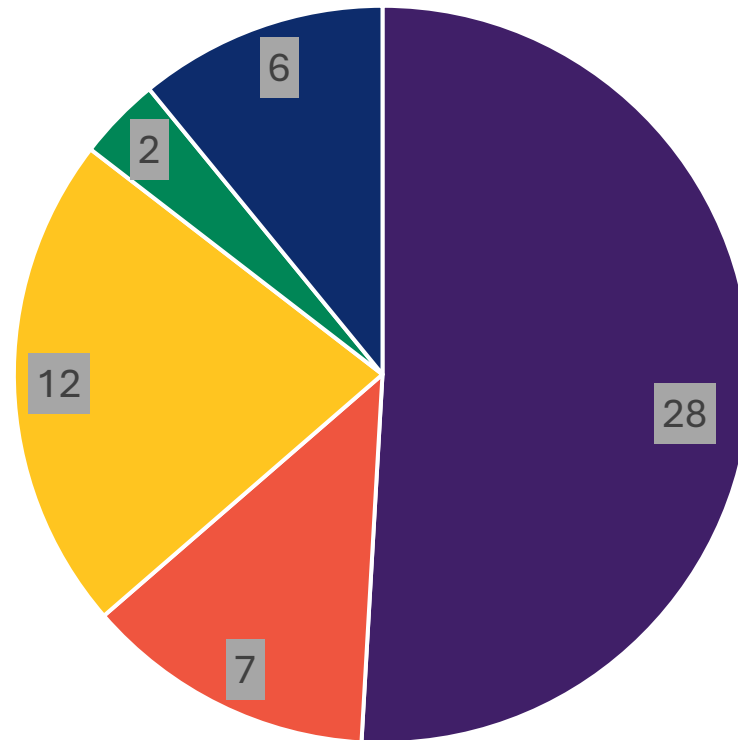
Nominal Plan

Composite Plan

Explanation of Carving/Dosing  
of Organs at Risk/Targets

# Acquiring Outside Prior Radiation Records-Survey

Responses



■ Intake   ■ Nursing   ■ Medical Dosimetry   ■ Medical Physics   ■ Other

# Prior Dose File Workflow

## Intake

- Request
  - DICOM
  - Completion Note
  - Tx Rx Plan
- Pulls in Completion/PDFs

## Dosimetry

- Pulls in DICOM
- Creates Session
- References Completion Note
  - Cross-Check Dates

## Follow-Up

- Notify Physician, Dosimetry Groups the Files are Available
- If Necessary:
  - Follow up with Contact at Outside Institution

Hi.

Hope all is well. Please see attached request for **DICOM files** along with the **PDFs of the completion summary** and **treatment/prescription plan**. Once all files are ready, I will supply the FTP link for the transfer. Appreciate the help!

```
Session Name: PrevDose 60/54 Gy
Date: 2025-05-23 10:15:47
Saved By:
Status:
```

Hi,

Dicom files have been placed in the a\_intake folder. Please see below contact for any questions/issues.

PT



# Planning Directives

What's included?


**Rx and Dosimetry**

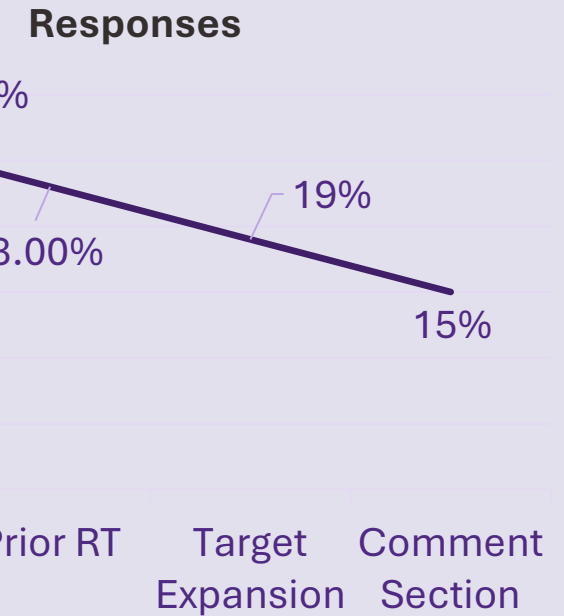
- Combination Rx (photon and proton)
- Doses Entered and Verified
- Checklist/Organs at Risk Goals Templates for the Plan
- Favor Organ at Risk Dose vs. Target Coverage
- Target Margin (PTV)
- Suggested Beam Angles
- Additional Directives
- Rescans


**Prior RT:**

- Mitigation of Prior RT (where)
- Nominal Max Dose
- Composite Max Dose
- Composite EQD2
- Composite Nominal Max Point Dose
- Carving out of certain organs


**Timeframe**

- Priority Level
- Iterative Planning Necessary



- 13% Do Not Have Written Planning Directives
  - 2020 AAMD Meeting-Explains Importance
- Other:
  - Varies Depending on Case
  - Reference Sources
  - Implantable Devices

# Planning Directives

## Automated

### Treatment Planning Directives

**Date:** May 19, 2025

**Patient Name:** Zzpeanut Butter, Test

**Patient MRN:**

**Patient Date of Birth:**

**Attending Physician:**

**Diagnosis:**

**These planning directives are to be used as guidelines for creating the patient's treatment plan. The final treatment plan may differ based on input from physicians, physicists, and dosimetrists during the planning process, with approval by the physician.**

Code Capture - MR #: A192009 ZZPEANUT BUTTER, TEST

Primary Payer:  Appt:

Patient: ZZPEANUT BUTTER,  Dept: PRO

Code: NC-77307  NC-PlanningDirective Days/Qty: 1

Modifier 1:  2:  3:  4:  Rendering Staff:

From Date:  To Date: 5/19/2025  Time: 1:01 PM

Account:

Buttons: OK, Cancel, Note, Patient Dx

General | Billing Overrides

Diagnoses

1:  C61

2:

3:

4:

Update Code Capture Sequence

Supervising MD:  Referring MD:  Other Staff:

Auth Num:   Auths Location:

Billing Comment:

Facility: Northwestern Medicine Proton Center

Inpatient Hospital Dates Admit:  Discharge:

Code will be added

#### Contour Peer Review:

Contours were peer reviewed and appropriate feedback was taken into consideration (optional)

#### Timeframe:

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- Priority Level 2: Accelerated turnaround, requesting start on week of: \_\_\_\_\_
- Priority Level 3: Standard turnaround (4 days after plan export not to exceed 11 days past contour approval) or patient specific start date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Shared Photon/Proton patient:
  - Requested Photon start date: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Requested number of photon fractions: \_\_\_\_\_
- Iterative planning necessary (requires more MD availability for planning communication)

#### Prescription:

- Prescription(s) entered, doses verified, and target names in MIM match Rx (if shared patient, needs both photon & proton Rx)
- Boost prescription(s) entered and doses verified

# Default Colors for Charting

## Standardized Colors for Charting

## Streamline Look of Charts



Select template:  
\_\_Default for Charting [v] [Delete selected] [Create template...]

Absolute values  Relative values

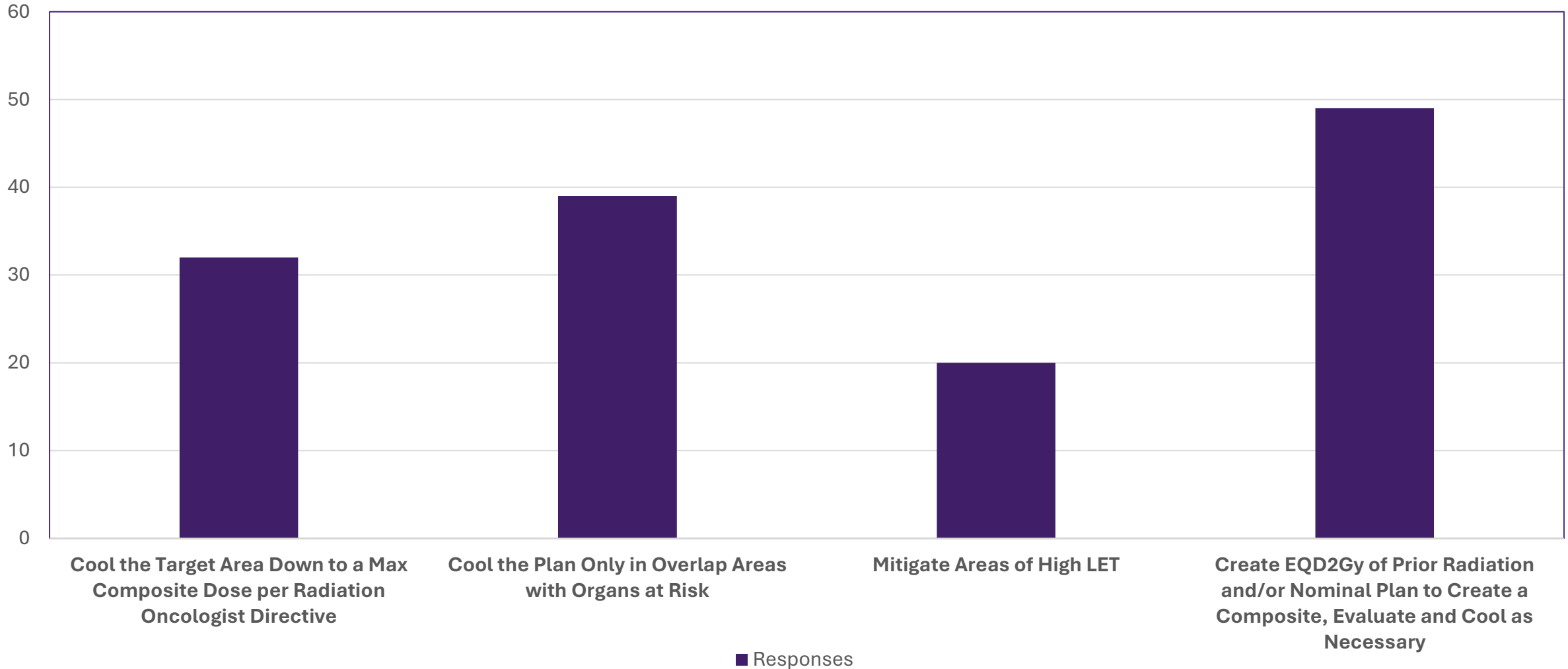
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30.0	Purple	255
10.0	Magenta	255

# Tools for Planning

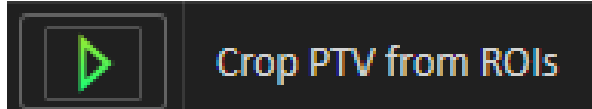
What can be automated, to focus more time on plan complexities?

# Mitigating Prior Radiation Survey

If prior treatment overlaps the new treatment site, what might your organization do to mitigate?



# Overlapping Organs at Risk with Target



**Crop out PTV**

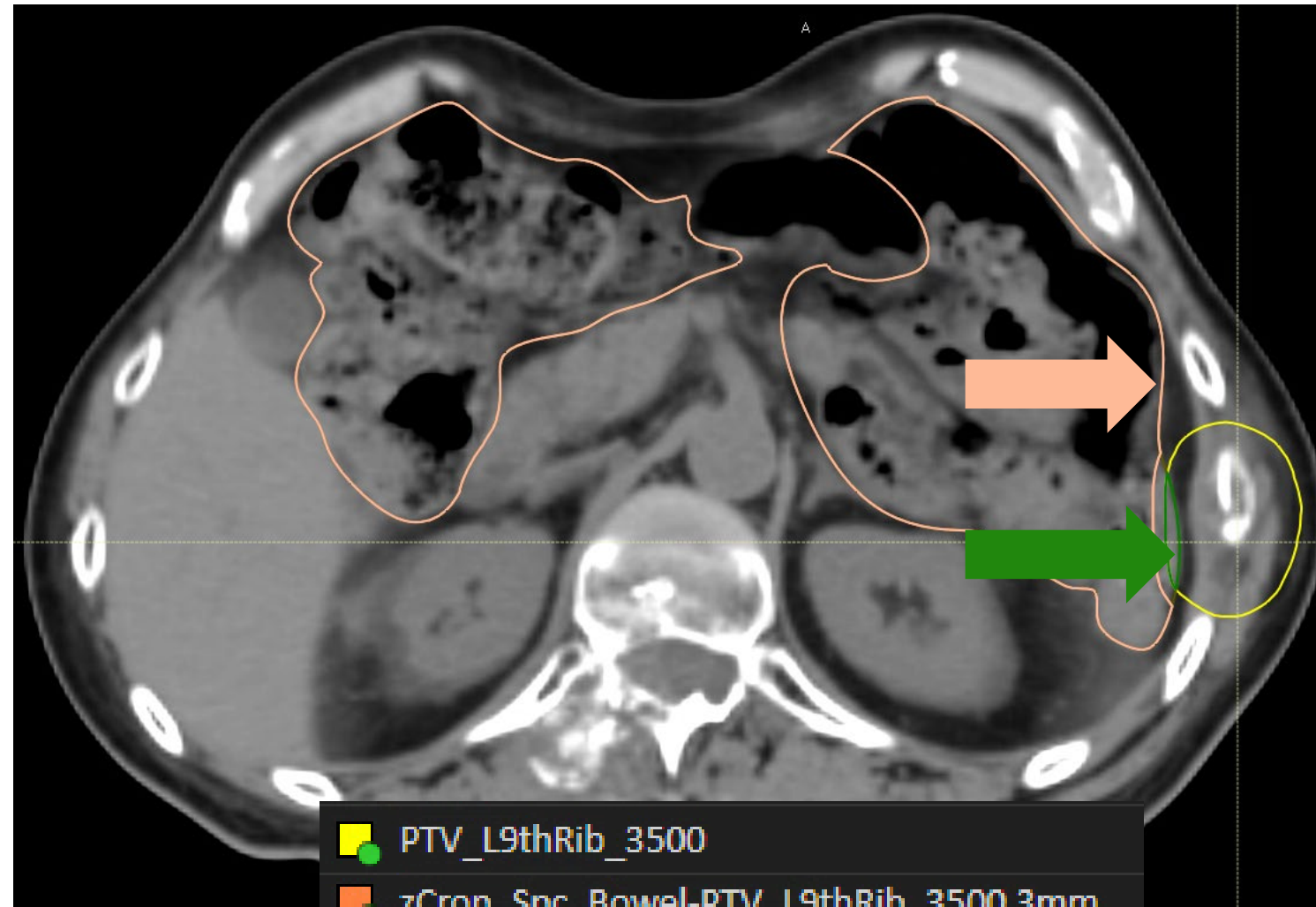
Purpose: crop PTV out from multiple OARs and create overlaps.

Select PTV: **PTV\_L9thRib\_3500** plus margin (mm): **3**

Select ROI(s) to be cropped

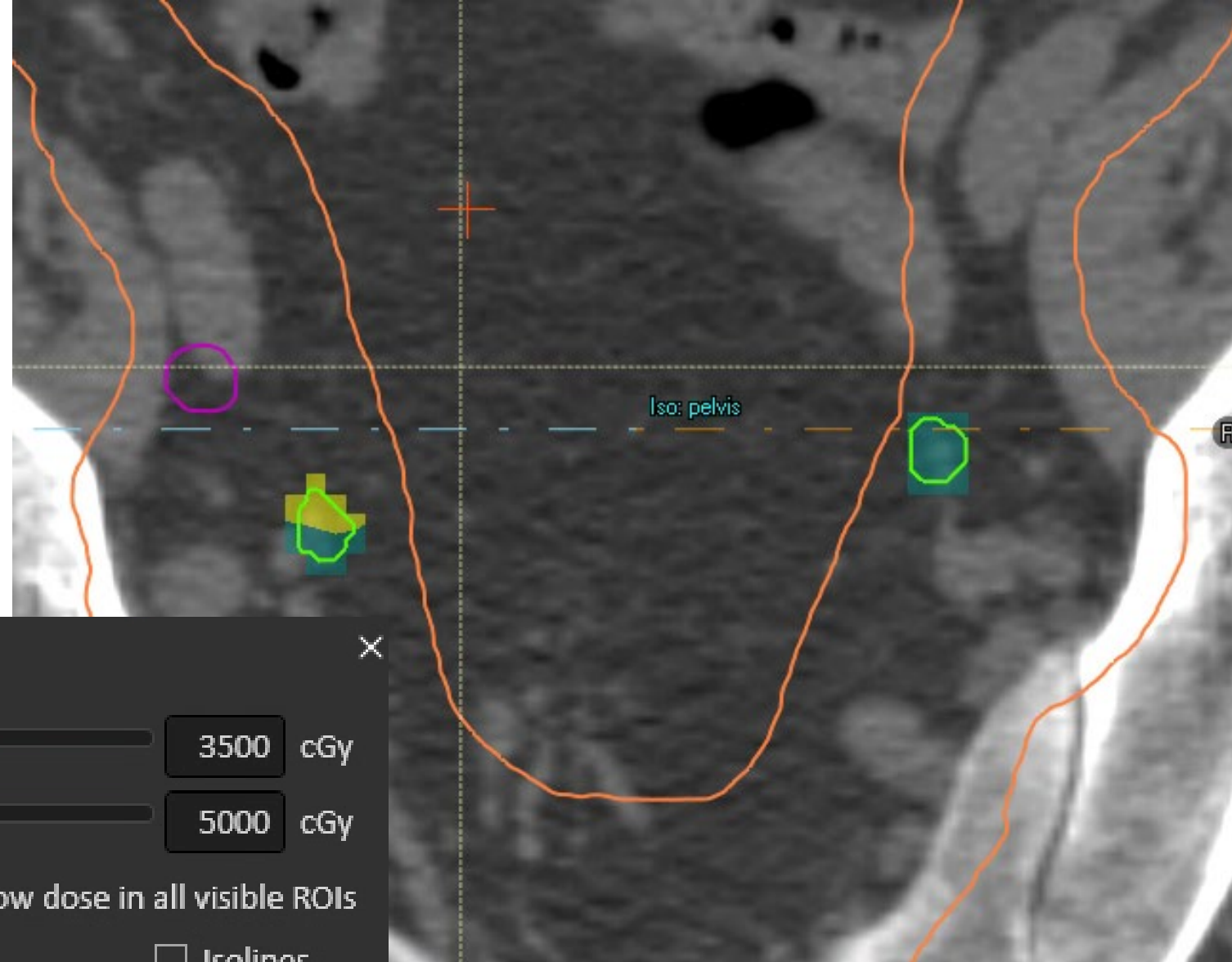
- LungR
- Lungs
- Lungs-PTV
- SpcBowel
- SpinalCord
- Stomach
- tissue
- muscle
- bone

**Create** **Quit**



- PTV\_L9thRib\_3500
- zCrop\_Spc\_Bowel-PTV\_L9thRib\_3500 3mm
- zOvlp\_Spc\_Bowel@PTV\_L9thRib\_3500

# Dose Evaluation



Show dose above:  3500 cGy

Show dose below:  5000 cGy

Show dose in: ■ Ureters  Show dose in all visible ROIs

Color mode:  Color table  Blue/orange  Isolines

ROI volume threshold:  0

# ROI from Dose

## Nominal Composite Functions

### Utilize For:

Nominal or Composite Plans

Dose within Organs at Risk

Max Point Doses

### Tip:

Go Under Max Dose Threshold

Or

Utilize Boolean Feature and Make Organ at Risk with Margin

Create ROI from dose

Threshold level

0 [cGy (RBE)] 6000 [cGy (RBE)] 9861 [cGy (RBE)]

Threshold based on % of reference value

% of  [cGy (RBE)]

Output

Create geometry for:

Existing ROI

New ROI

Name:

Type: Control

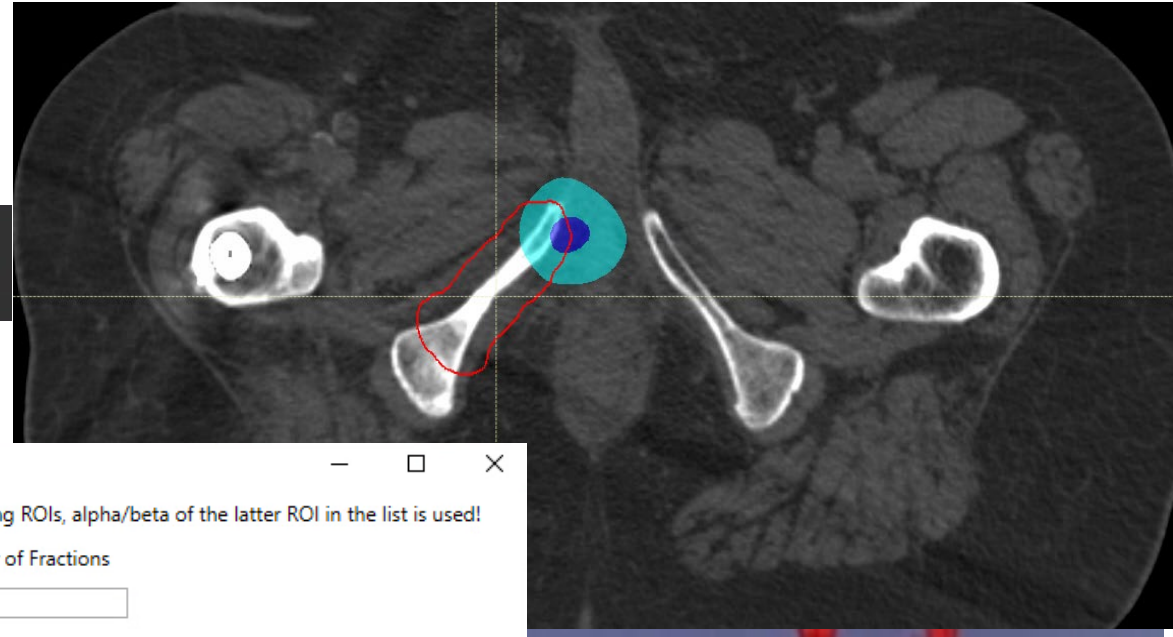
Color:

# Scripting for EQD2

## Structure Legend:

Tissue	Requested $\alpha/\beta$ ratio	$\alpha/\beta$ ratio (Gy) Reference ratio
Brain		2*
Brainstem		2
Spinal Cord		2*
Cauda Equina		2
Nerve plexus		3-4*
Lung		2-4*
Heart		2-3*
Kidney		2-3*
Liver		3*
Bladder		5-10*
Oral mucosa		10*
Small intestine		3-4*
Colon		3-4*
Rectum		3-4*
Skin Desquamation		10-12*
Skin Fibrosis		2-3*
Skin Telangiectasia		3-4*
Proximal bronchial tree		3
Pulmonary Vessels		3
Aorta		3
Unspecified Tissue	3	3

Compute EQD2 Dose



**EQD2**

For overlapping ROIs, alpha/beta of the latter ROI in the list is used!

Enter Number of Fractions

Select ROI      Enter alpha/beta [Gy]

OUTER\_long

Add

- patient
- PRT ITV\_3500
- PRT PTV\_3500\_7thLRib
- PRT\_2020\_Lt9Rib\_17.5Gy
- PRT\_2020\_Lt9Rib\_35Gy
- PTV\_L9thRib\_3500
- PTV\_R9thRib\_3500
- Rails\_long
- Spc\_Bowel
- SpinalCord
- Stomach
- tissue
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- z1750\_PRT\_2024
- z3500PriorSummation
- z6900
- zCool

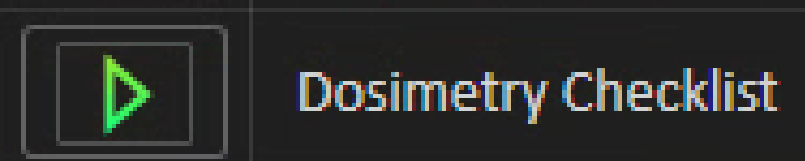
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**RBE EQD2 Sum Prior ONLY Bladder 10**

Deformed Dose (RBE): PriorRT\_2023\_Left Hip PA 10Gy/5fx  $\alpha$  EQD2

(Bladder10.0 BowelCavity4

# Documenting Composite Checklists



Dosimetry Checklist Selection

Note: current planning CT is TPCT14Apr2025Ave. For evaluation/sum doses, only doses on this CT are listed. For plan dose, it includes dose from all beamsets.

Select a dosimetry checklist:

Composite- Dose Volume Point Summary

Warning!

The following structures in the checklist are missing. If you choose to continue, these structures will be skipped.

Bladder, Body, Bone, BrachialPlexus\_L, BrachialPlexus\_R, Brain, BrainStem, CaudaEquina, Esophagus, GreatVessels, LargeBowel, OpticChiasm, OpticNerve\_L, OpticNerve\_R, OralCavity, Parotids, ProxBronchus, Rectum, SacralPlexus

Continue?

Fill Dosimetry Checklist

Select a dose:

- Current plan dose: Left 9th Rib
- Evaluation dose: Prior RT 2020+2024
- Evaluation dose: Lt9thRib+Rt9thRibReTx+Prior 2020+Prior2024
- Evaluation dose: EQD2Prior2020+2024 DOses
- Evaluation dose: EDQD2 50% Prior 2020+2024
- Evaluation dose: EQD2 Composite+ priors50%

Add these goals to current plan

Export results to spreadsheet

Quit

Plan Structure	Parameter	Result	Plan Value	Objective	Minor Deviation	Major Deviation	Comments
Duodenum	D0.03cc		0.88 GyRBE				
Heart	Mean		0.03 GyRBE				
Heart	D1cc		0.10 GyRBE				
Heart	V50		0.00%				
Heart	V70		0.00%				
Kidneys	Mean		0.82 GyRBE				
Kidneys	V20		0.00%				
Kidneys	V28		0.00%				
Liver	Mean		0.10 GyRBE				
Liver	V30		0.00%				
Liver	V50		0.00%				
Lungs	V20		0.00%				
Lungs	Mean		0.02 GyRBE				
Lungs	V50		0.00%				
Lungs	V30		0.00%				
Spc_Bowel	V15		8.77%				
Spc_Bowel	V35		2.49%				
Spc_Bowel	V45		1.00%				
SpinalCord	D0.03cc		0.60 GyRBE				
SpinalCord	V50		0.00%				
SpinalCord	V60		0.00%				
Stomach	Mean		0.34 GyRBE				
Stomach	V65		0.00%				
Spc_Bowel	D0.03cc	Flag	78.34 GyRBE	<70.00 GyRBE			Added per MD
Spc_Bowel	D0.03cc	Flag	78.34 GyRBE	<38.00 GyRBE			Added per MD

# Case Examples

# Pelvic Nodal Case Example

Prior Prostate Radiation with New Treatment to Pelvic Nodes

# Pelvic Nodes-Prior Prostate

**Prior RT: In-House Prior Treatment**

**2013**

**Prescription:** 1.8 x 30fx= 54.0 GyRBE

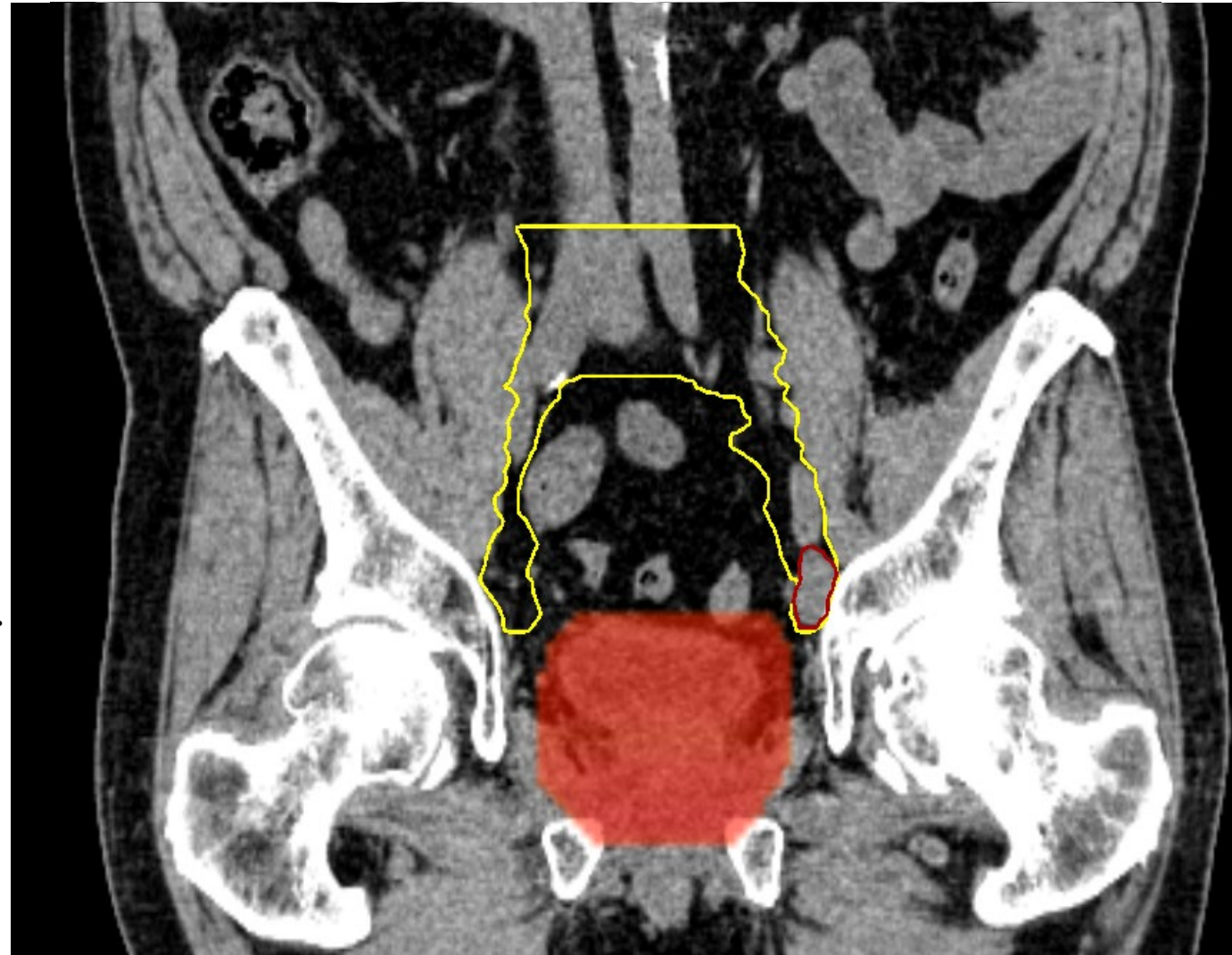
1.8 x 14fx= 25.2 GyRBE

Total: 79.2 GyRBE

**Impression:** PET showing pelvic nodal recurrence.

**Chemo:** ADT

**Pelvic Nodal Rx:** 62.5/50 GyRBE in 25 Fractions




# Fusion Prep

**Precursor Appts:** 10 year follow up, PSA check, followed by PET scan

**Pre-Consult Prep:** Physician wanted to see the prior dose on the new PET/CT scan.

**Physician Delineation:** Ureters and the PET Avid Node

**Importing to TPS:**

 PriorRT2013\_79.2GyRBE

Rigid + Deformable Fusion Options

Bowel View Side by Side



# Plan Directives

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## Retreat:

- If area of previous treatment overlaps current course:

Nominal Max Dose: \_\_\_\_\_

Composite Max Dose: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Directives concerning OARs in areas previously irradiated:

**Assume 50% forgiveness** of prior dose from 10 years ago. Keep composite dose to less than **105 Gy max dose, ureters to <80 Gy, V90Gy <2 cc**, assuming 50% forgiveness of prior dose. I will also **evaluate the composite without forgiveness**. Prioritize **GTV with robust coverage** first. Okay to **underdose CTV** (outside of GTV coverage) as needed.

EQD2: *if known at this time, EQD2 evaluation order entered in Mosaic*

## Prescription:

- Prescription entered and doses verified
- Boost prescription(s) entered and doses verified

## Dosimetry:

Preferred Treatment Position: Supine

PTV Margin: Select One **nodes only 7mm**

- MD created Opti volume for optimization only

Suggested Beam Angles: **Laterals** \_\_\_\_\_

Target Coverage: **Favor OAR Sparing**

OARs to Spare: See notes on composite dose below

Dosimetry Checklist: Prostate Non-Protocol

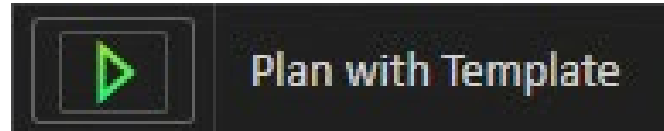
## Physics:

Special Physics Consult needed to:

- Previous Tx:** Analyze the current planned and previously treated radiation fields to assess cumulative radiation doses to organs at risk

# Plan Creation

Don't Reinvent the Wheel



No.		Name	Description
1		C	G90T0 RLAT
2		D	G90T180 LLAT

Naming Convention  
In-House Prior

Create HR Prostate SIB Plan

[Purpose] Create beams, optimization structures and initial objectives for High-Risk prostate (SIB) patients with **two lateral fields**.

[Usage] Make sure the following structures exist before running script: 'patient', 'Bladder', 'Rectum', 'Sigmoid', 'Opti\_Thru'

[Reminder] Set Beam Computation Settings (layer & spot spacing, distal avoidance, etc.) and dose algorithm manually!

Enter name of plan:

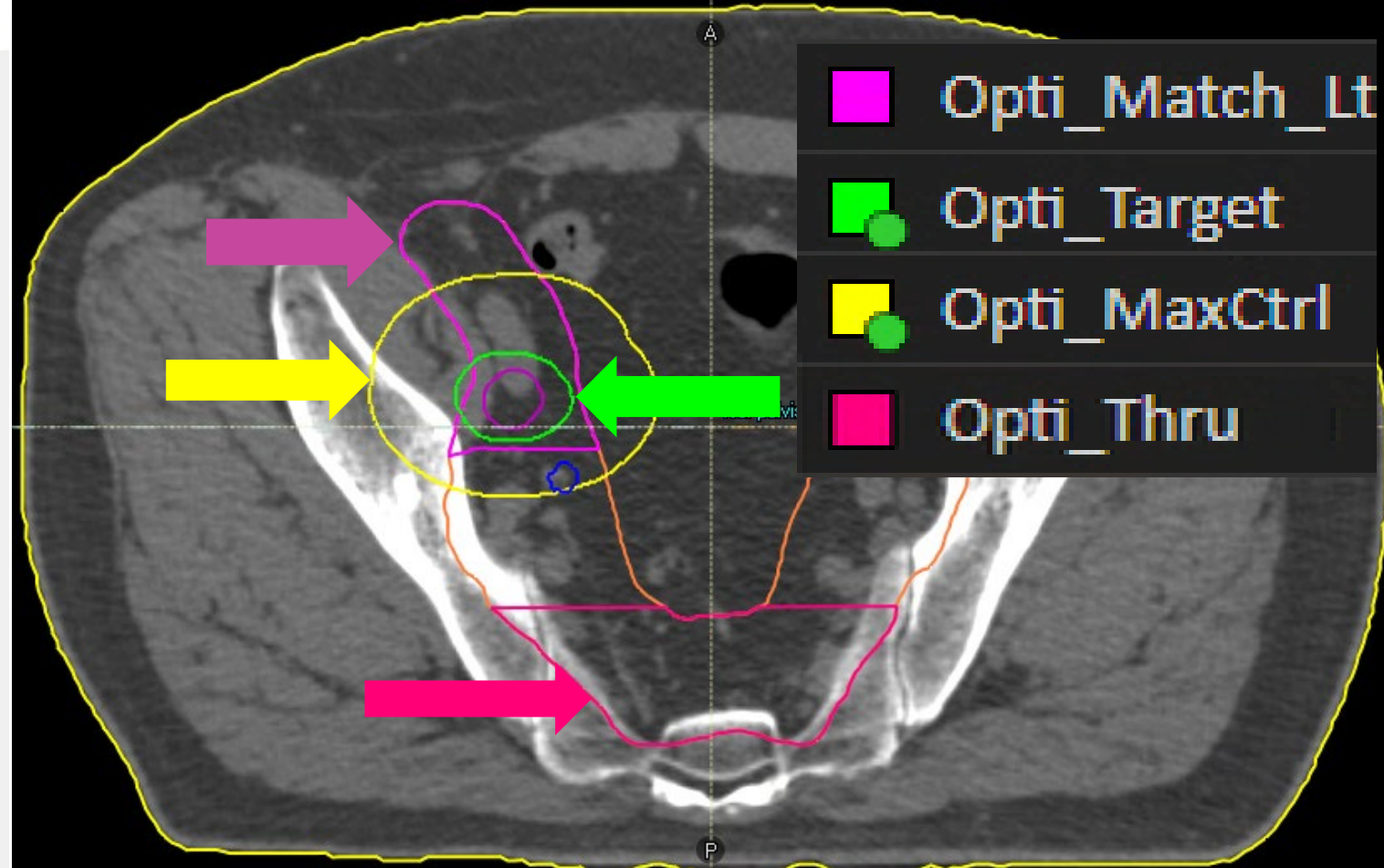
Select planning CT:

Prostate Rx (cGy):  Pelvic Rx (cGy):  Number of Fractions:

Prostate PTV\_Eval:  Pelvic PTV:

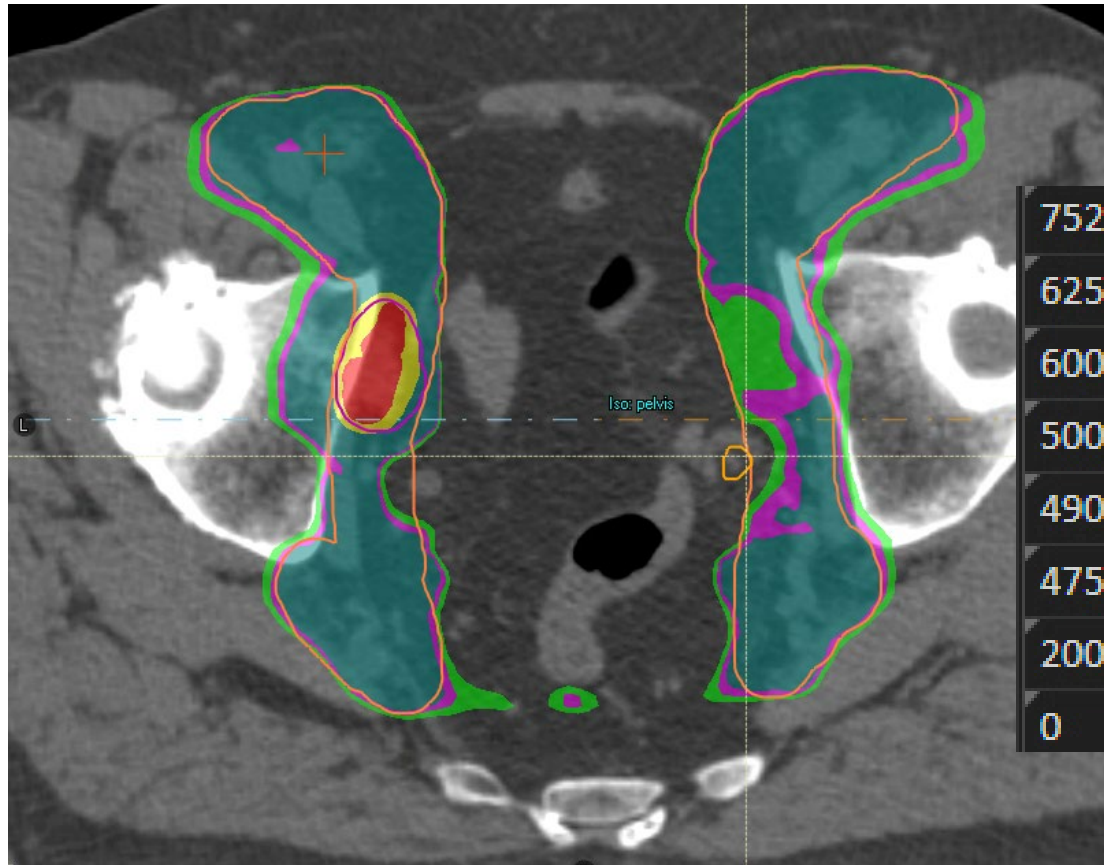
Room:  Is range shifter needed?

Status: Ready

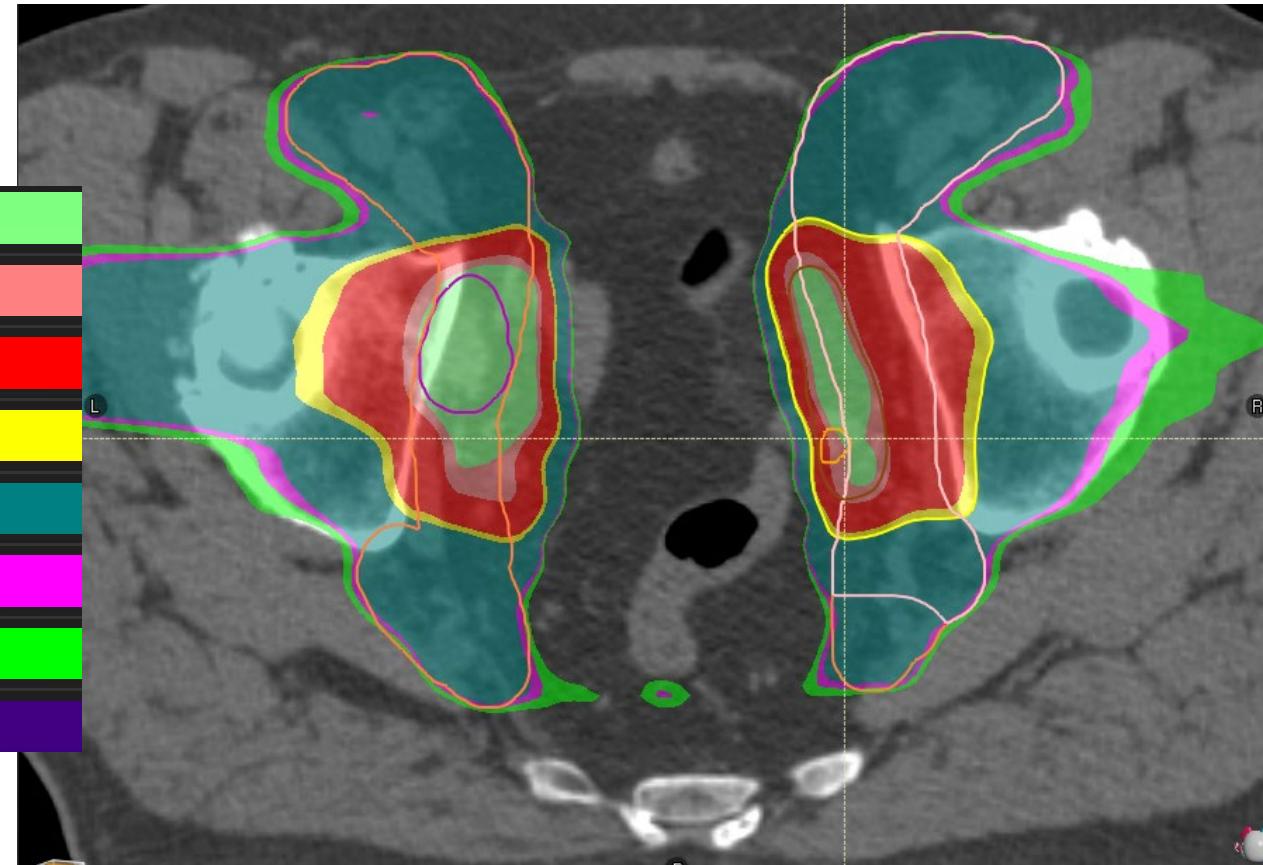


# Communication and Collaboration

## An Iteration of the Plan



**Nominal Plan Preview for Physician**

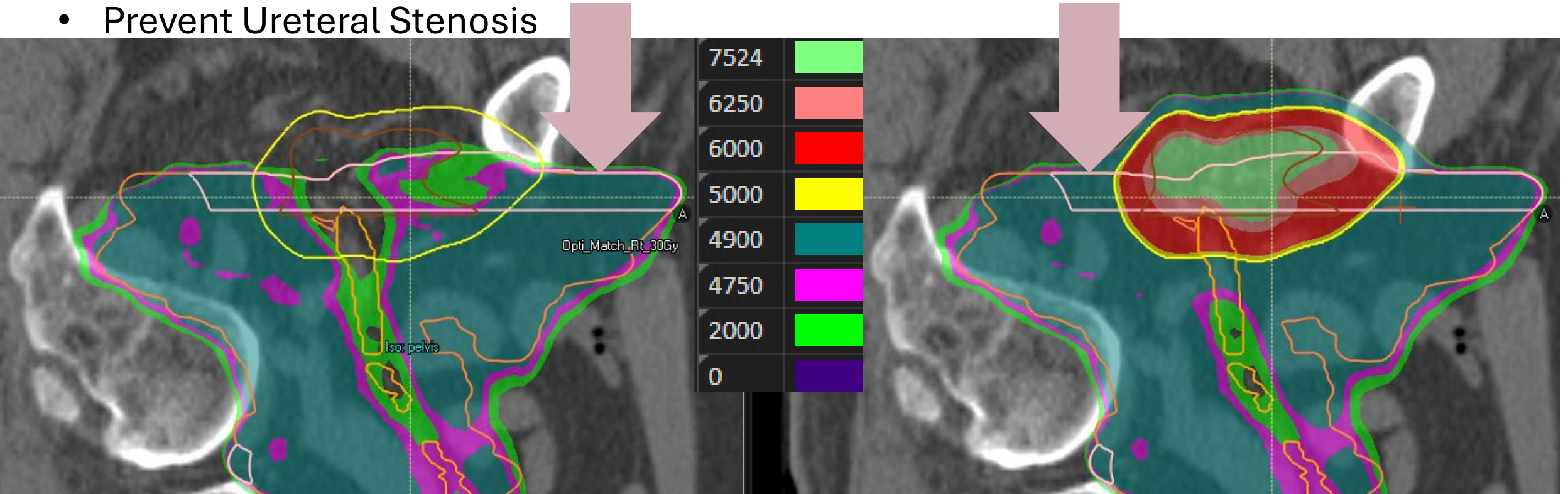


**Summary of Prior 50% Forgiveness + New Nominal**

**Added ROIs from Dose**

# Conclusion of Plan Preview

- Decrease Dose at Inferior Border on Elective Nodal Chain Side (Patient's Right)
- Prevent Ureteral Stenosis

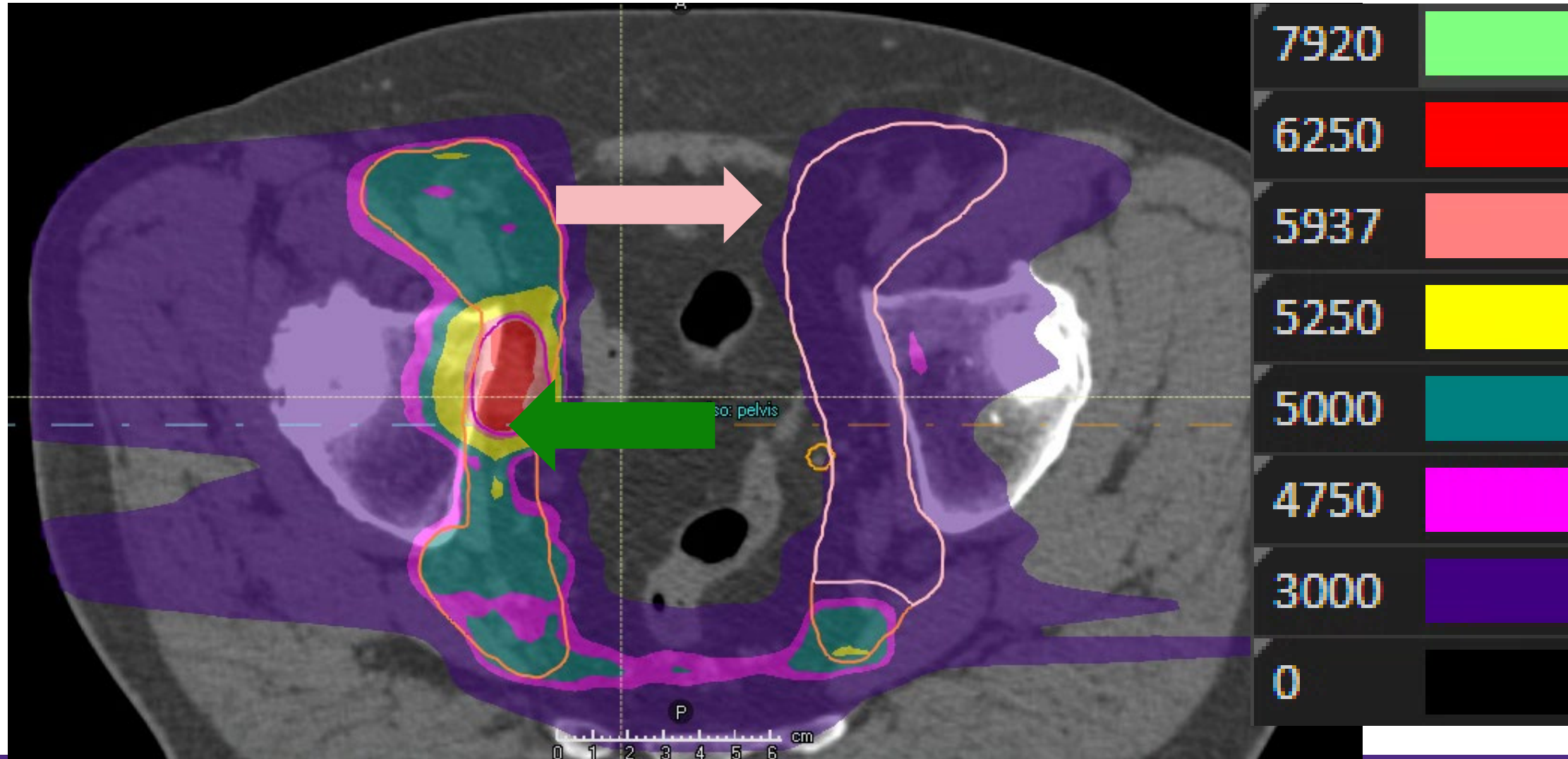


**Nominal Plan Preview for Physician**

**Summary of Prior 50% Forgiveness + New Nominal**

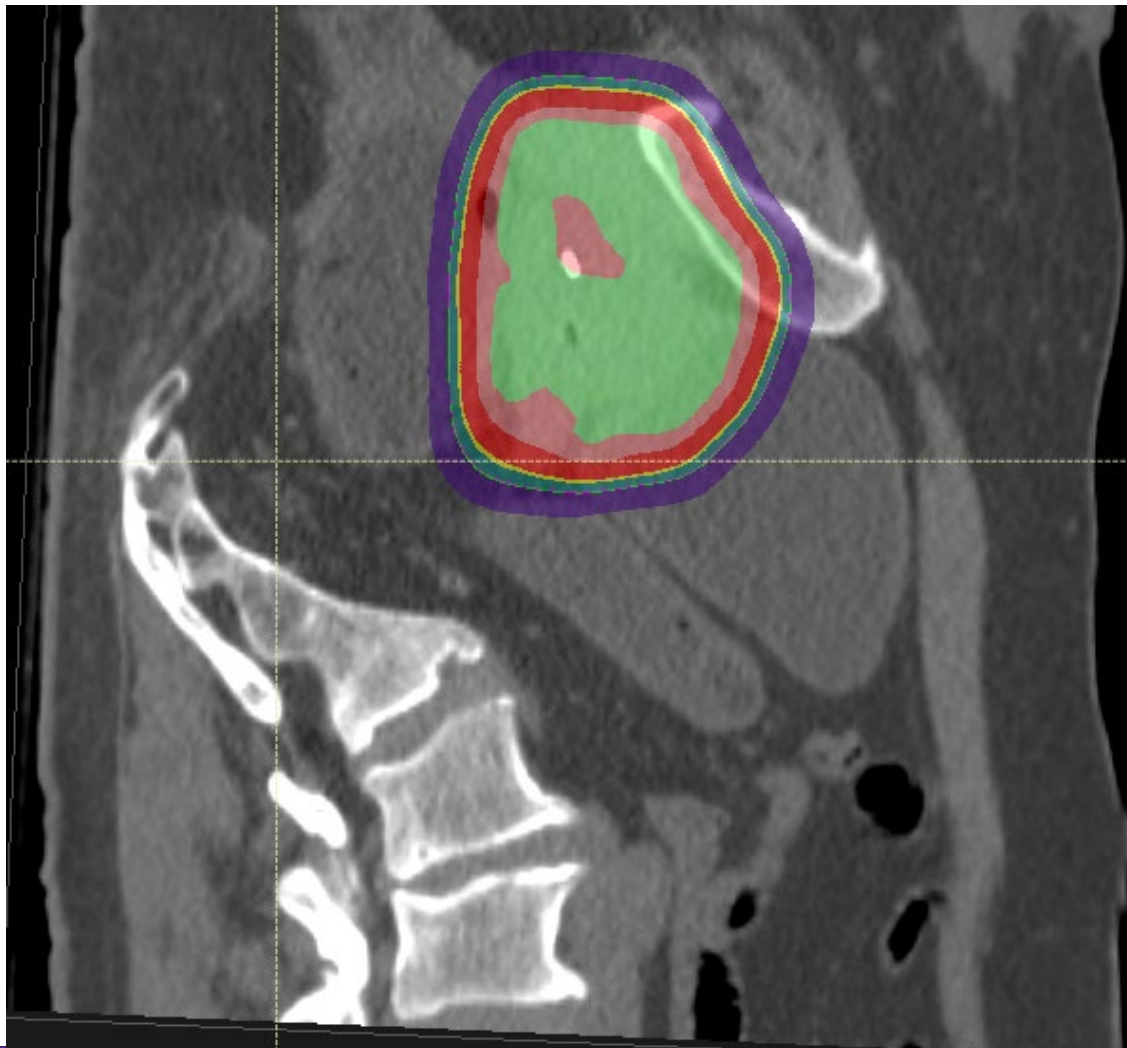
# Re-Optimized Cool Plan



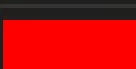

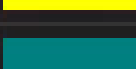
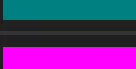


ROI from Dose plus ROI algebra to Adjust Optimization Structures

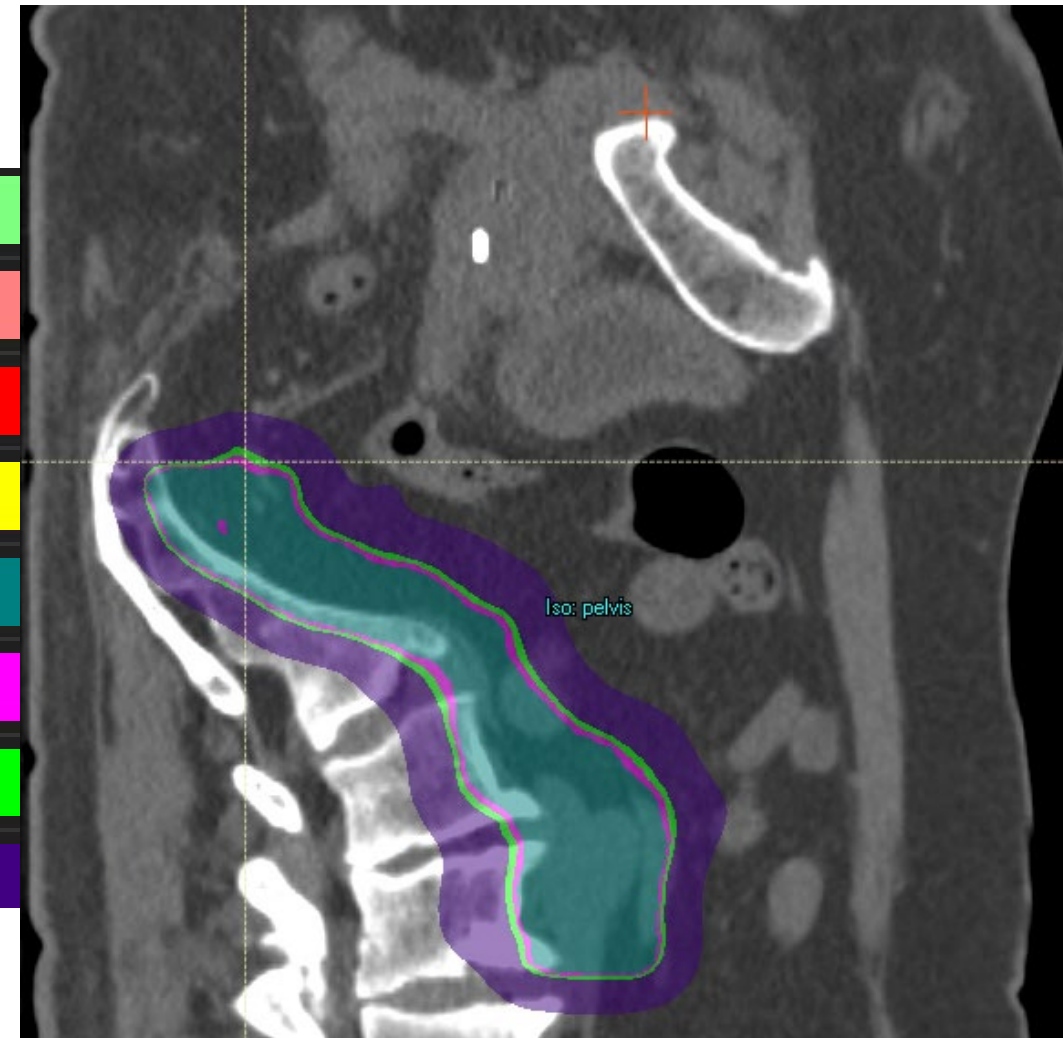


# Documentation

## Bowel Differences



7920	
7524	
6250	
5938	
5000	
4900	
4750	
2000	



# Documentation-Old Version

## Composite Checklist Dose

### Notes:

Per MD, target coverage reduced to minimize dose to sigmoid/bowel and prior treatment overlap.

The prior treatment to the prostate in 2013 (54/79.2GyRBE) was summed with the nominal SIB Pelvic Nodes plan at 50% forgiveness. More metrics\* were utilized to evaluate constraints to the ureters.

Plan Structure	Parameter	Result	Plan Value	Objective	Minor Deviation	Major Deviation	Comments
PTV_PelvicLN_L_6250	V100%	Pass	99.97%	>=98%	>= 95%		Nodes
PTV_PelvicLN_L_5000	V100%	Minor	89.93%	>=98%	>= 95%		Nodes
PTV_PelvicLN_L_6250	D99%	Pass	101.21%	>=95%	>= 93%		Nodes
PTV_PelvicLN_L_5000	D99%	Minor	67.44%	>=95%	>= 93%		Nodes
Bladder	V70	Pass	0.00%	<=10%	<= 15%		
Bladder	V65	Pass	0.00%	<=20%	<= 25%		
Bladder	V50	Pass	2.84%	<=35%	<= 40%		
Bladder	V40	Minor	65.83%	<=60%	<= 65%		
Femur_Head_L	V45	Minor	5.09%	<5%	< 10%		
Femur_Head_R	V45	Pass	0.05%	<5%	< 10%		
Rectum	V70	Pass	0.00%	<=5%	<= 10%		
Rectum	V65	Pass	0.00%	<=20%	<= 25%		
Rectum	V50	Pass	0.00%	<=30%	<= 35%		
Rectum	V40	Pass	0.87%	<=50%	<= 55%		
PenileBulb	Mean	Pass	24.83 GyRBE	<=46 GyRBE			
Sigmoid	D0.03cc	Flag	87.33 GyRBE	<57 GyRBE			
Spc_Bowel	V60	Pass	0.00 cc	<1 cc		> 1 cc	
Spc_Bowel	V45	Pass	167.23 cc	<195 cc		> 195 cc	
Ureter_Lt	D0.03cc	Pass	79.35 GyRBE	<=80 GyRBE			*
Ureter_Rt	D0.03cc	Pass	71.01 GyRBE	<=75 GyRBE			*

# Ribs Case Example

Planning with Multiple Prior Courses of Radiation/Reirradiation

# Rib-Prior Ribs

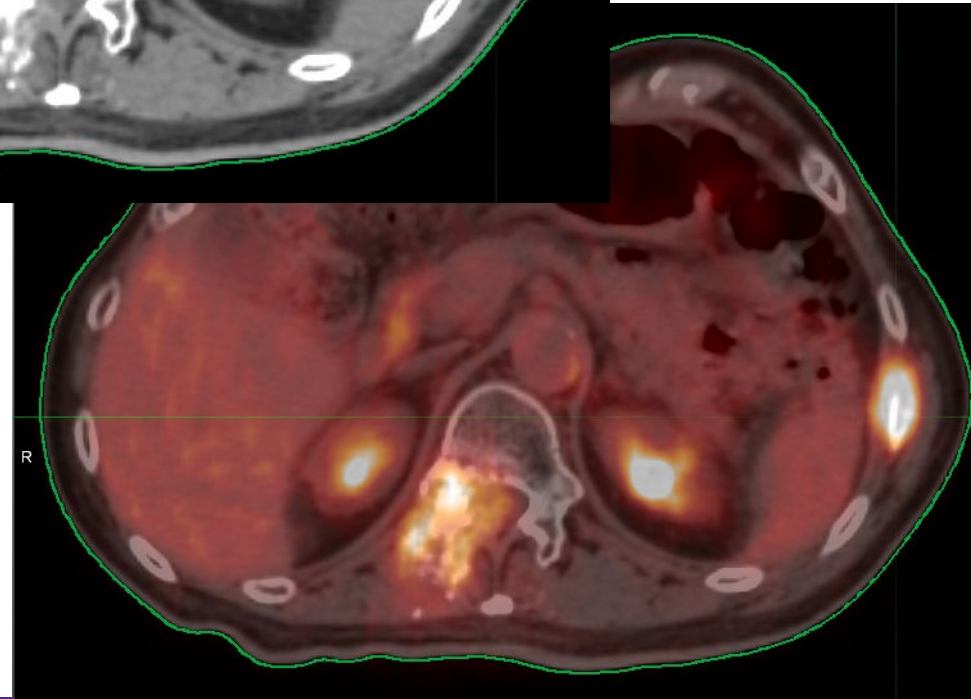
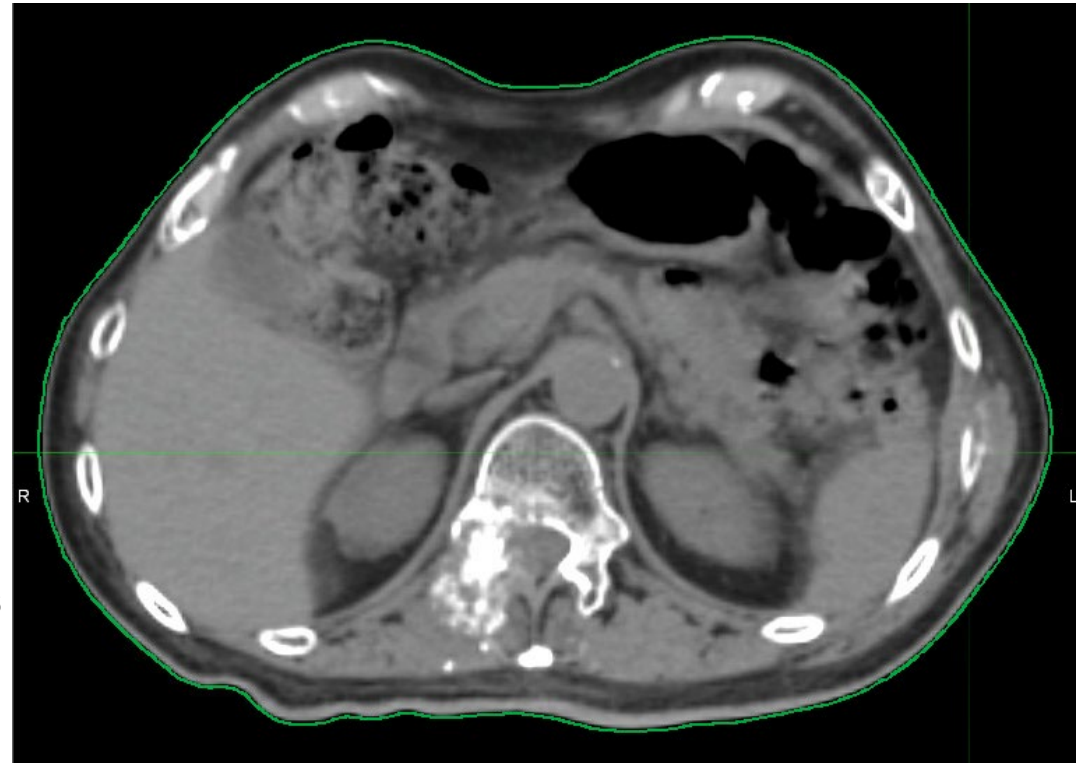
**Prior RT:** In-House Prior Treatment

**Prescription:** Left 9<sup>th</sup> Rib 35GyRBE in 7 fractions

Left 7<sup>th</sup> Rib 35GyRBE in 7 fractions

**Impression:** Residual PET Activity

**Rib Rx:** Left 9<sup>th</sup> Rib Retreat 35GyRBE in 7 fractions



# Sorting Multiple Priors

Safety in Reading all Documentation

**Collaboration is key here!**

NA accidentally saved my bacon on this one with the long EQD2 calculation in the directive, because he was like "the patient got prior 18 to the spine" and I was like, hmm that's weird my dose file says 26, and that little cross check saved me from compositing this all wrong. Close call though

**Tip:**

Double Check Files for Adaptive Tx and for Early Termination of Treatment

Sort Out What is Applicable to the New Tx Course

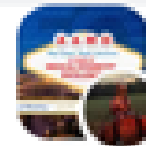
## Radiation Oncology Course: 13

Proton Boost T7

LEFT L5-S1

RLL SBRT CC

L 9TH RIB MET



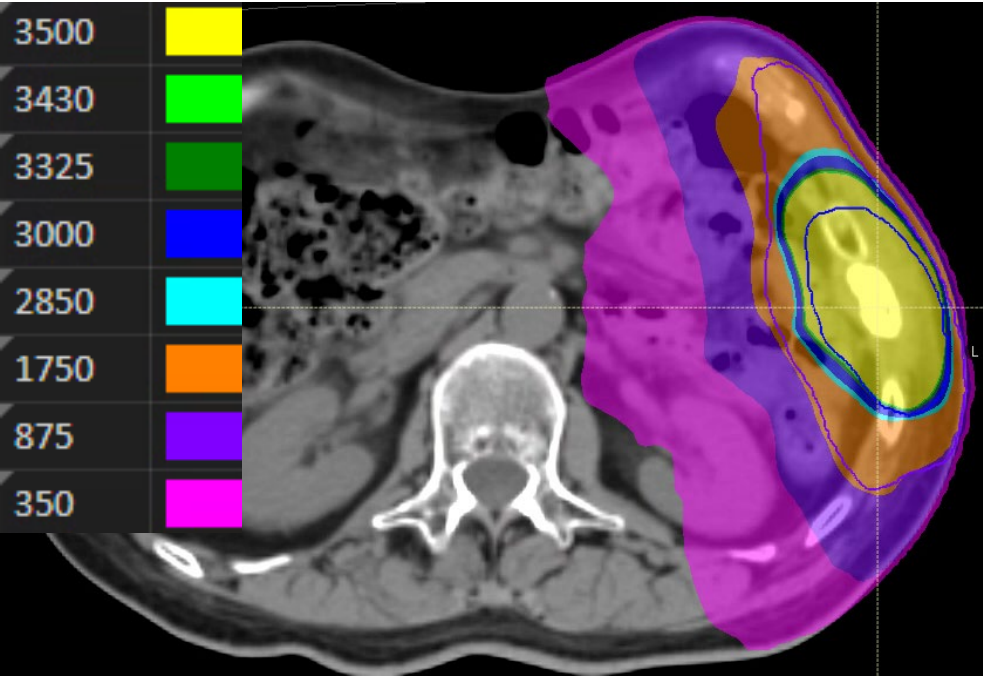
**American Association of Medical Dosi...** ...

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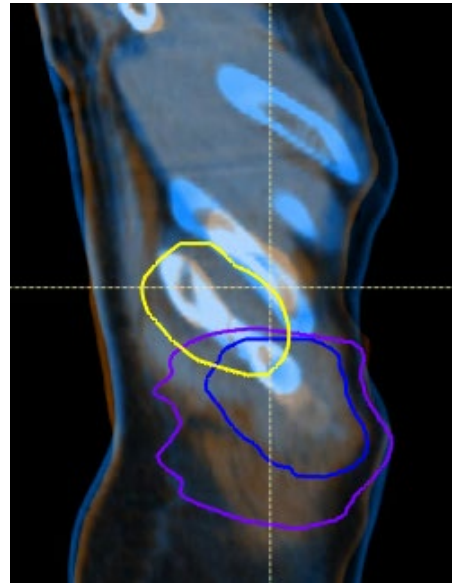
My favorite words in a physicians consult (still have to double check, though):

"Patient has not had any previous radiation therapy."

# Fusion of Prior Radiation



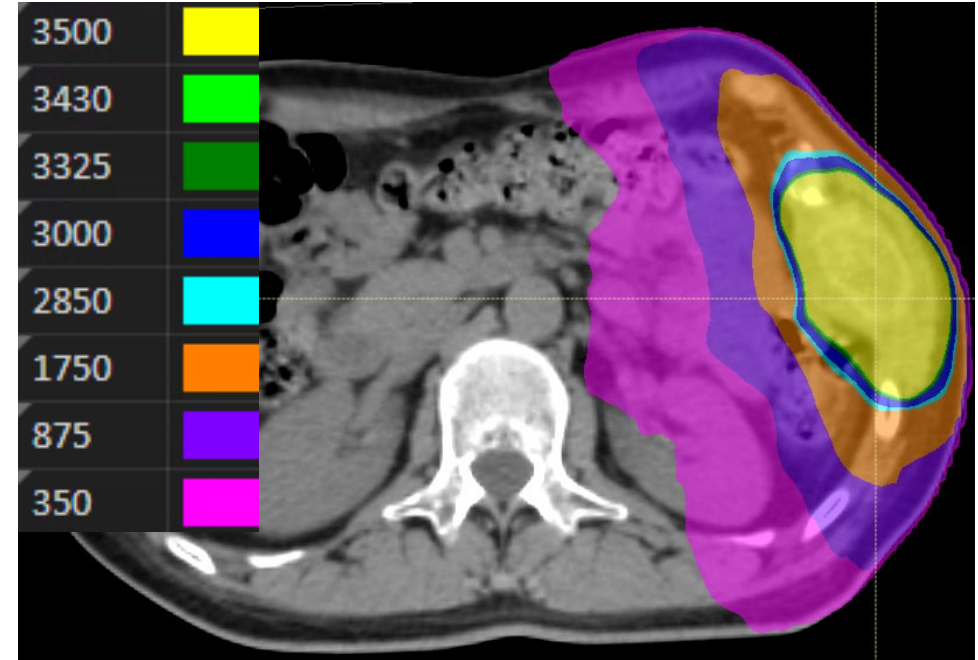
**Current TPCT**



Focus on Area of Interest

**Tip:**

Copy Over Prior RT Structures

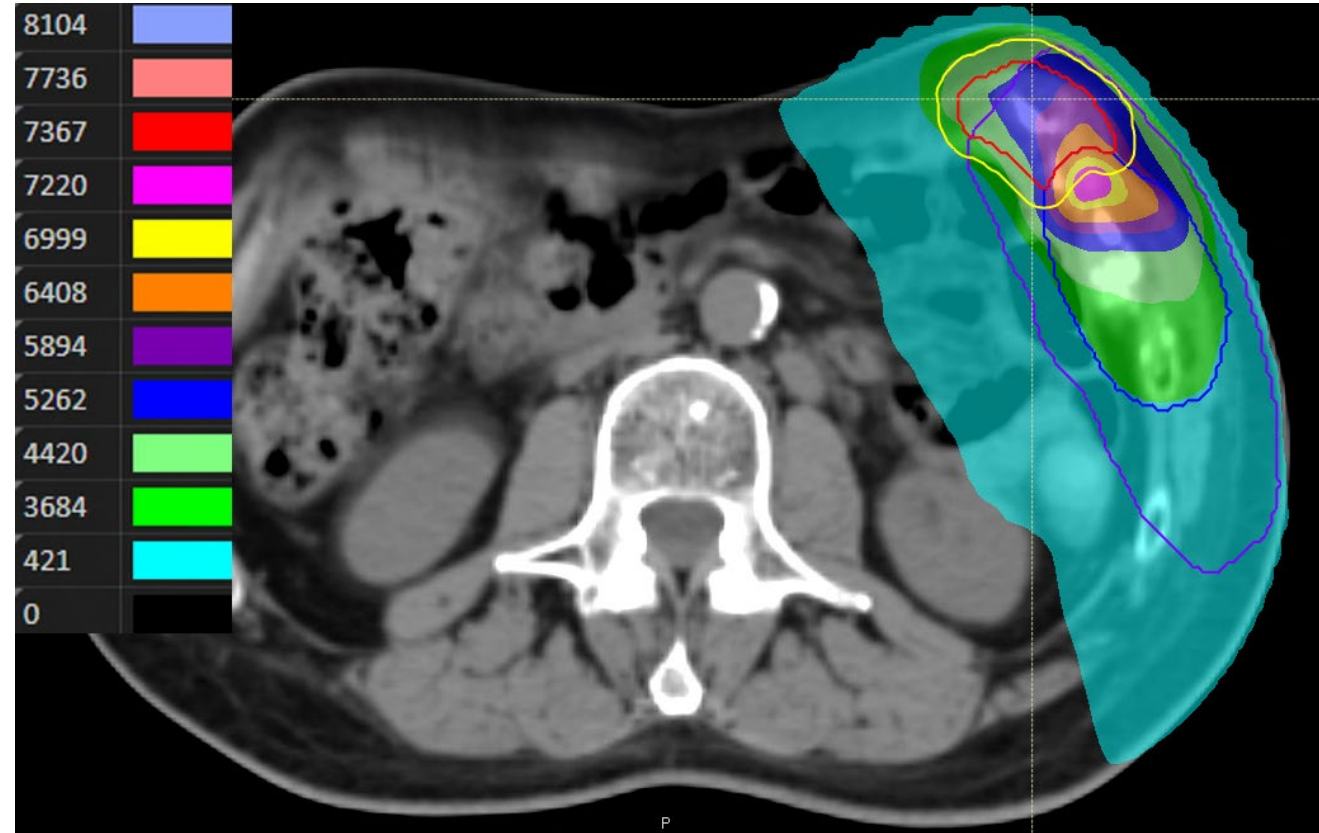
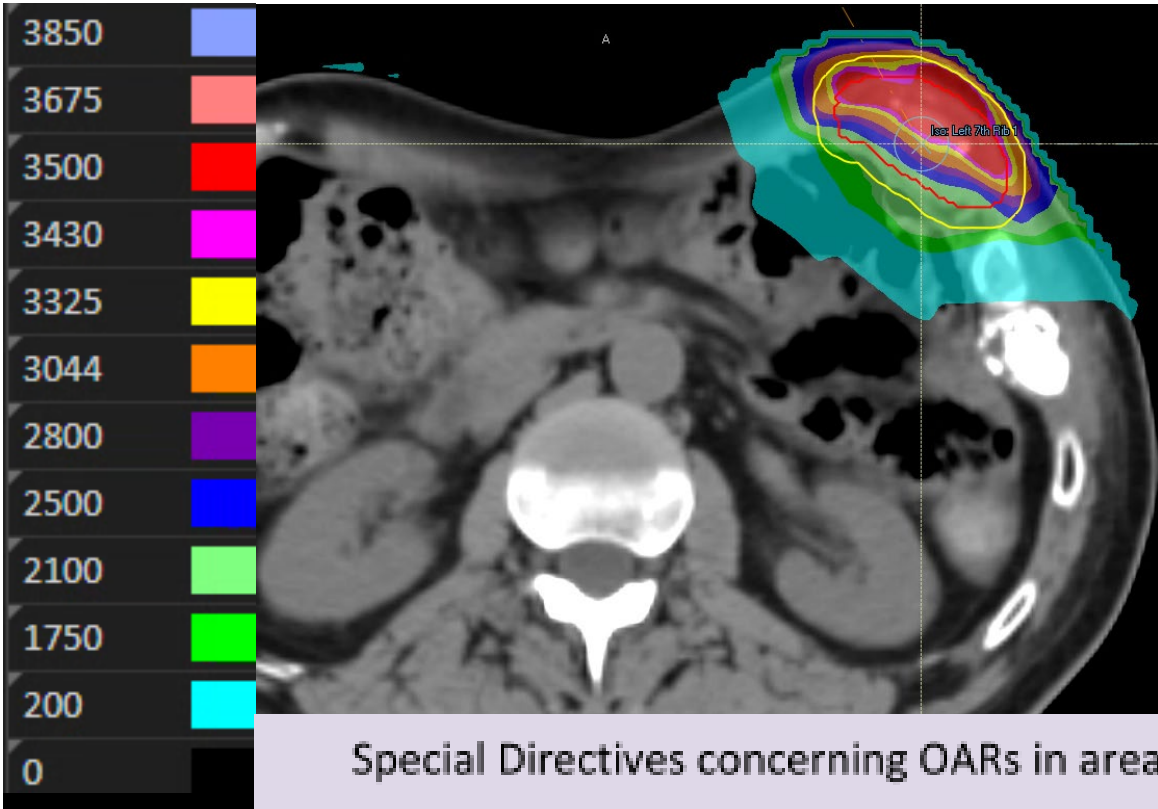


**Prior TPCT**

# Plan Directives

7<sup>th</sup> Rib Only  
Bowel Dose Reduced

7<sup>th</sup> Rib + Prior 9<sup>th</sup> Rib



Special Directives concerning OARs in areas previously irradiated:

Account for dose from **prior left 7th rib tx in 2024 and left 9th rib treatment in 2020**. **Dmax to bowel < 38 Gy to 0.03 cc on current nominal plan** Please apply **50% forgiveness to prior bowel dose**. After this forgiveness ideal cumulative EQD2 between both courses **< 70 Gy to bowel**. Can reduce coverage as needed to achieve.

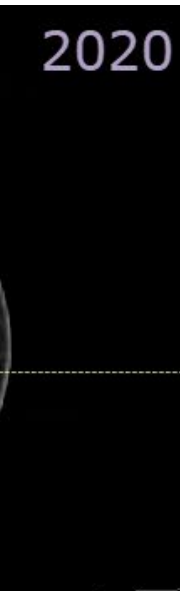
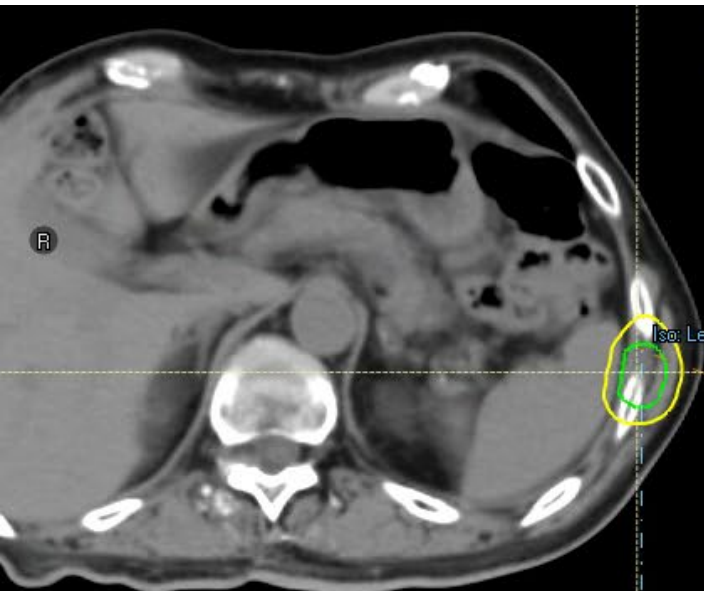
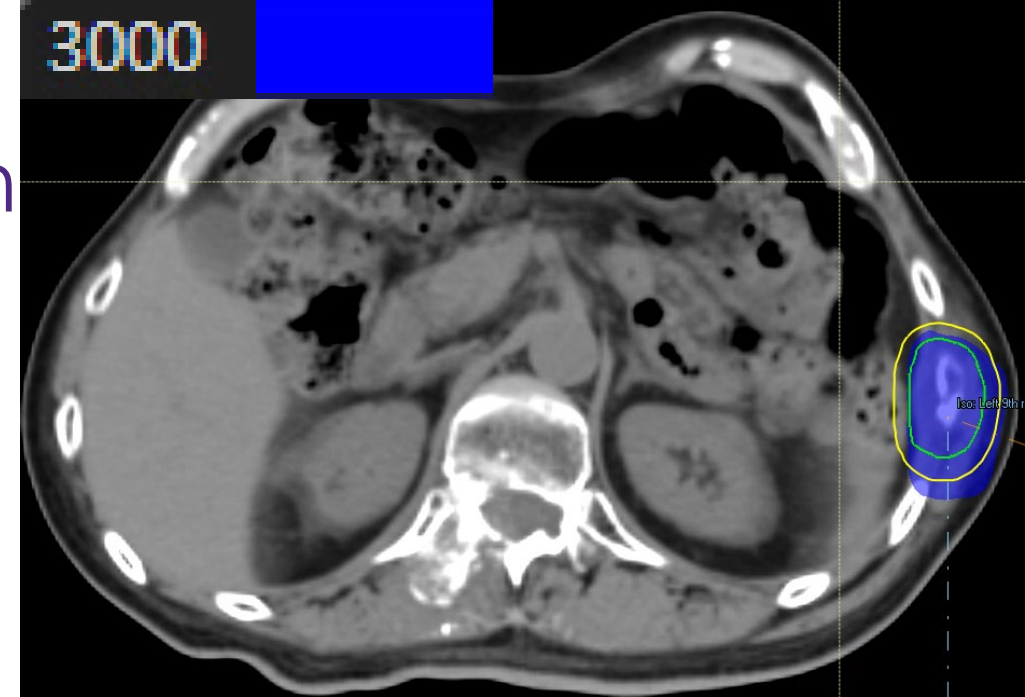
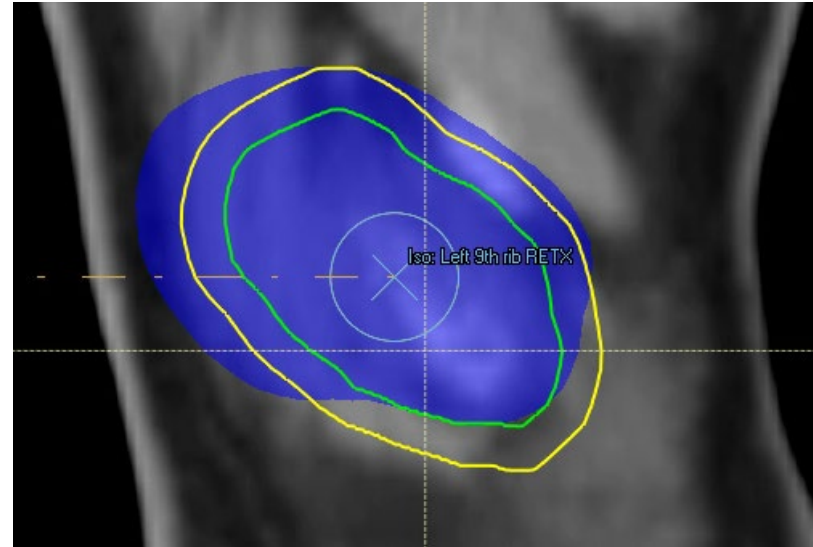
*EQD2: if required, EQD2 evaluation ordered in Mosaic (include forgiveness factors and  $\alpha/\beta$  ratios)*

# Communication and Collaboration

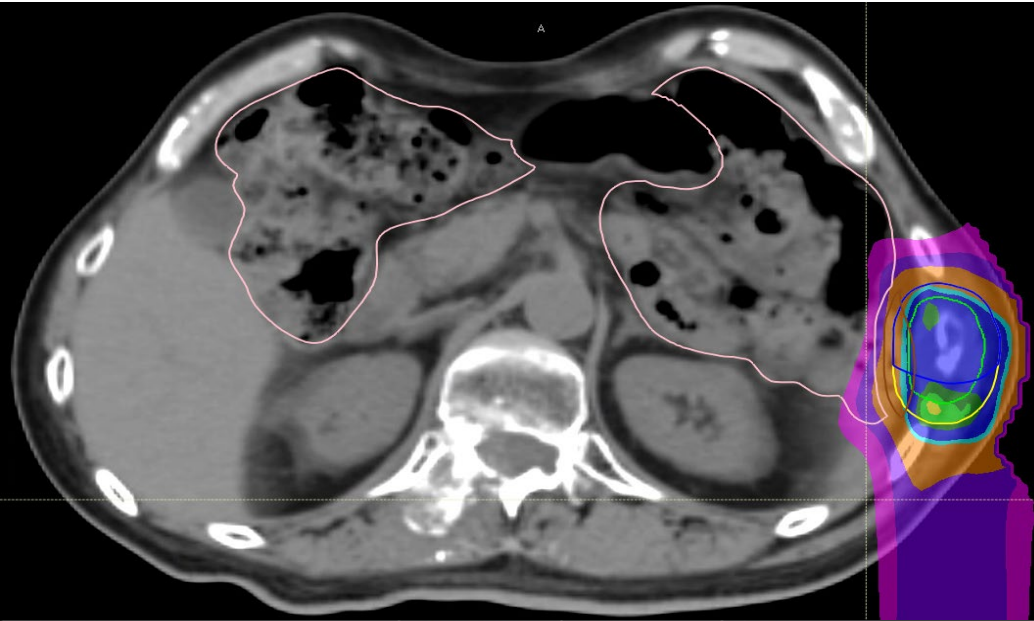
**EQD2 Eval of Prior**

**Bowel Evaluation**

**Compromise: 30GyRBE  
to ITV**



# Planning Optimization



ROI from Doses

Subtraction of EQD2 from PTV

Bowel-Targets

Bowel Overlap with Target

3675  
3500  
3430  
3325  
3000  
2850  
1750  
1050  
350



	Description	Robust	Weight	Value	EUD [cGy]
Physical composite objective					
Min dose	Beam (RBE) Opti_PTV_EQD2		100.00		
Min dose	Plan (RBE) Opti_GTV_Left9thRib	★	100.00		
Max dose	Plan (RBE) patient		6000000.00	0.0186	
Dose fall-off	Plan (RBE) patient		10.00	0.0113	
Min DVH	Plan (RBE) zOverlap50%Lines		100.00	0.4847	
Max DVH	Plan (RBE) zOverlap50%Lines		100.00	0.2710	
Max EUD	Plan (RBE) Opti_Bowel		100.00	0.0238	3103
Max EUD	Plan (RBE) Opti_Bowel2		100.00	0.0000	2602
Min DVH	Plan (RBE) ITV_L9thRib_3500		900.00	0.0101	

# Documentation

## Composite Summary

(Select One)

(Select One)

Physical Dose Composite including available previous dose

**Select:** Physical or Biological Dose

**Input:** Prior RT Treatments

Forgiveness Factors

Comments

**Disclaimer**

## Composite Summary

**Biologically Effective Dose Composite (if utilizing EQD2 calculations, see Physics SPC Document for specific  $\alpha/\beta$  ratios used)**

<u>Treatment Date</u>	<u>Treatment Site</u>	<u>Modality</u>	<u>Total Dose in Gy/GyRBE</u>	<u>Number of Fractions</u>	<u>Radiobiologic Forgiveness Factor</u>
2020	Left 9th Rib	Proton SBRT	35GyRBE	5	0.50
2024	Left 7th Rib	Proton SBRT	35GyRBE	5	0.50
2025	Left 9th Rib RETX	Proton SBRT	35GyRBE	5	0.00
<b>Comments:</b>	Patient's prior RT to the Left 7th and 9th rib were evaluated on the prior treatment planning CTs to check anatomy along with the new nominal left 9th rib retreatment. The bowel shifted from each scan. The SIB 17.5/35GyRBE in 5 fx treatment from 2020 to the left 9th rib showed significant differences in bowel loop placement. In order to deliver therapeutic dose, the plan compromise was to let the bowel (since it had shifted location) EQD2 composite go to 78GyRBE in order to keep 30GyRBE in 5 fx to the ITV.				
Composite doses are for evaluation purposes only. Composite dose sums will only include doses that contribute to the current treatment site. Composite doses are affected by time between treatment courses, fractionation size / total dose, and limitations of deformable registrations due to differing patient position and changes in patient anatomy or tissue densities.					

# Pubic Ramus Case Example

Multiple Priors Including Adjacent Bone Met Treatment

# Pubic Ramus-Lots of Prior

PriorRT\_2016ProstateBst\_28.8GyRBE/16fx

PriorRT\_2016ProstateHR\_50.4GyRBE/28fx

PriorRT\_2020\_OligoMet 24GyRBE/3fx

PriorRT\_2023\_Left Hip AP 10Gy/5fx

PriorRT\_2023\_Left Hip PA 10Gy/5fx

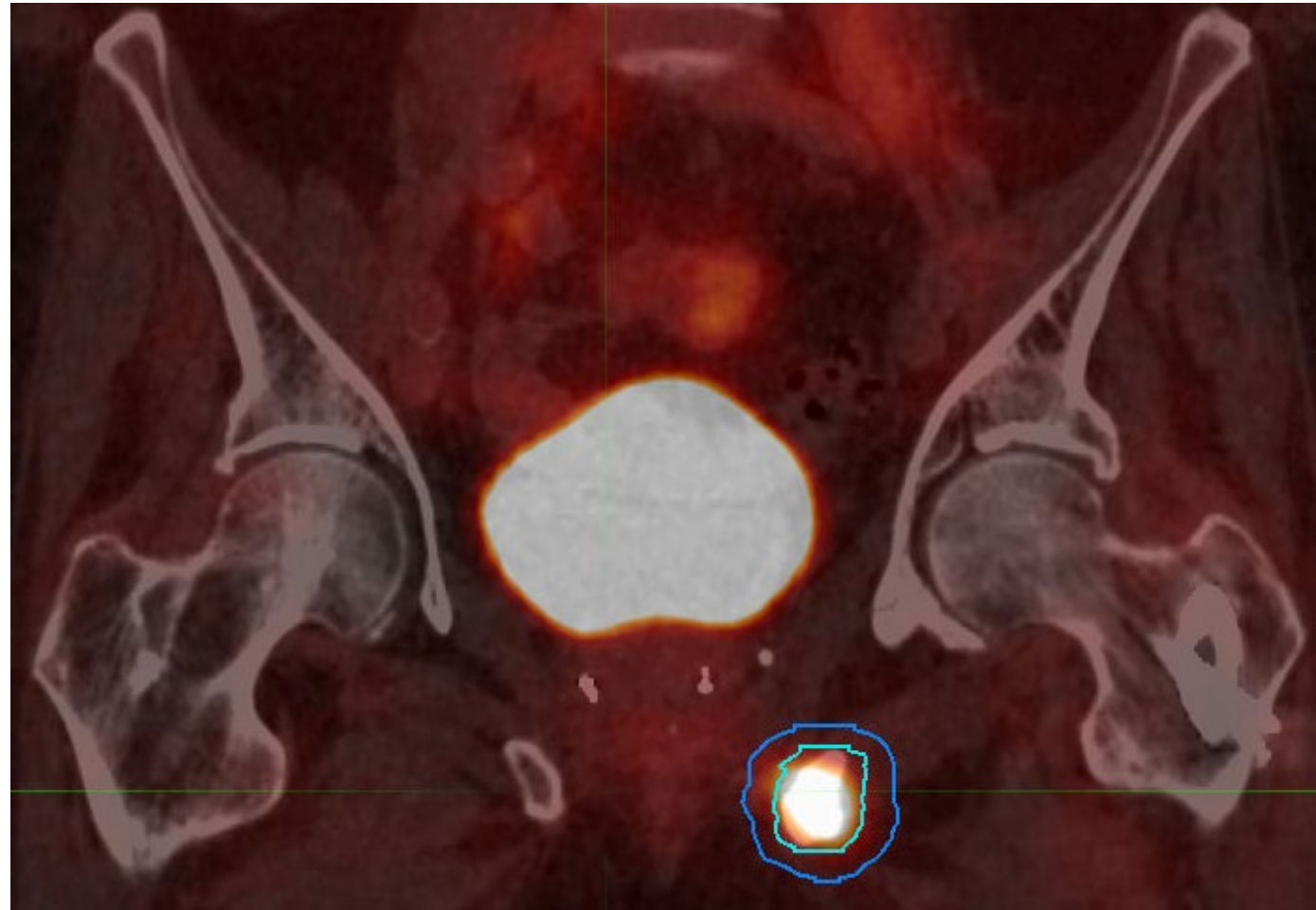
**Pluvicto- 6 Metastatic Sites**

**1 Area with Residual Disease- Left Pubic Ramus**

**Pubic Ramus Rx: 27GyRBE in 3 Fractions**

**Tip:** Label Multiple Prior Plans with a Prefix + Year + Dose + Disease Site

Streamline Labels and Avoid Confusion “New New”



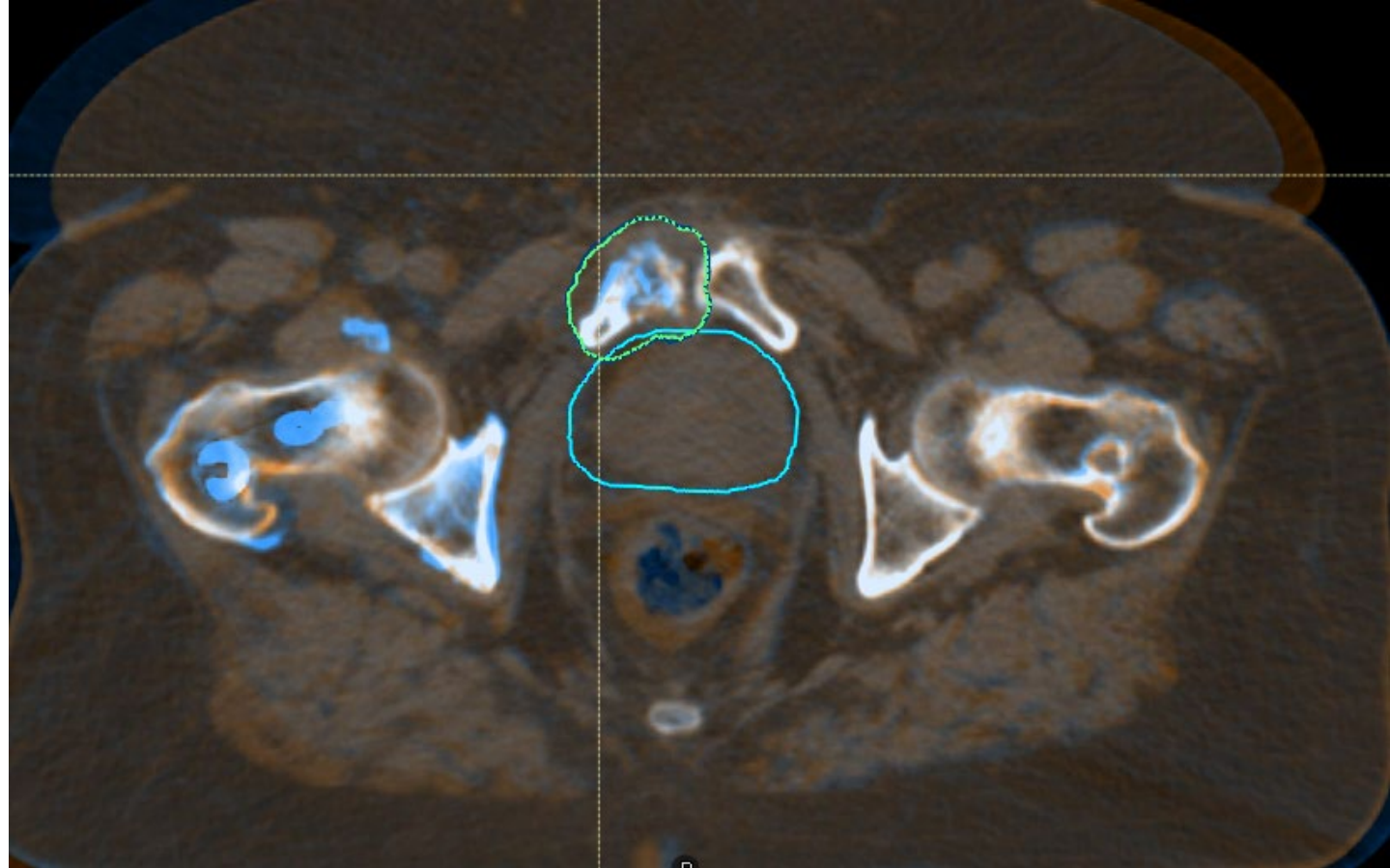
# Fusion of Prior Radiation

**Bone Met Treatment-Bone**

**Prostate Prior-Soft Tissue+Bone**

**Tip:**

Pull Up Prior Plan First by Itself Verify  
Doses Against Completion Documents



# Plan Directives

**EQD2:** Added in During Planning Process

**Complex Case Conference:** Added During Planning Process

**Tip:**

Think of Directives as a Starting Point with Prior RT Cases

Expectation vs. Reality of what Physician Wants for Plan



Special Directives concerning OARs in areas previously irradiated:

Avoid dose to penile bulb, urethra, prostate. Minimize any overlap with prior Bone anterior pubic symphysis treatment. Okay to miss coverage even down to 24 Gy if needed

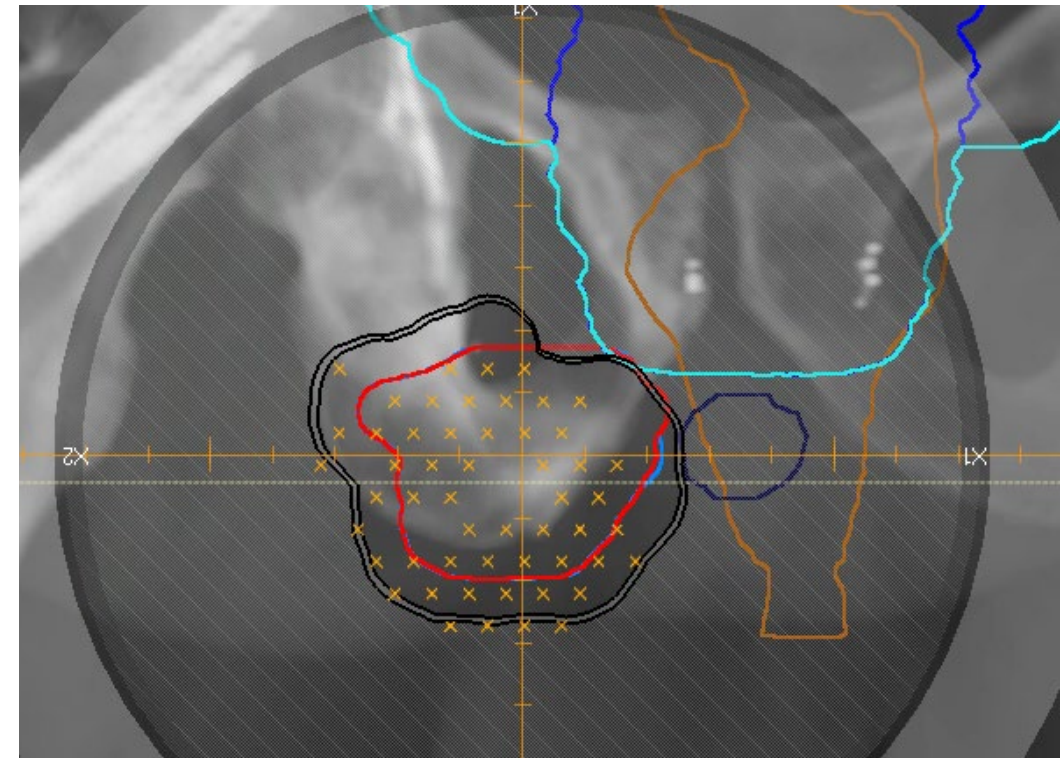
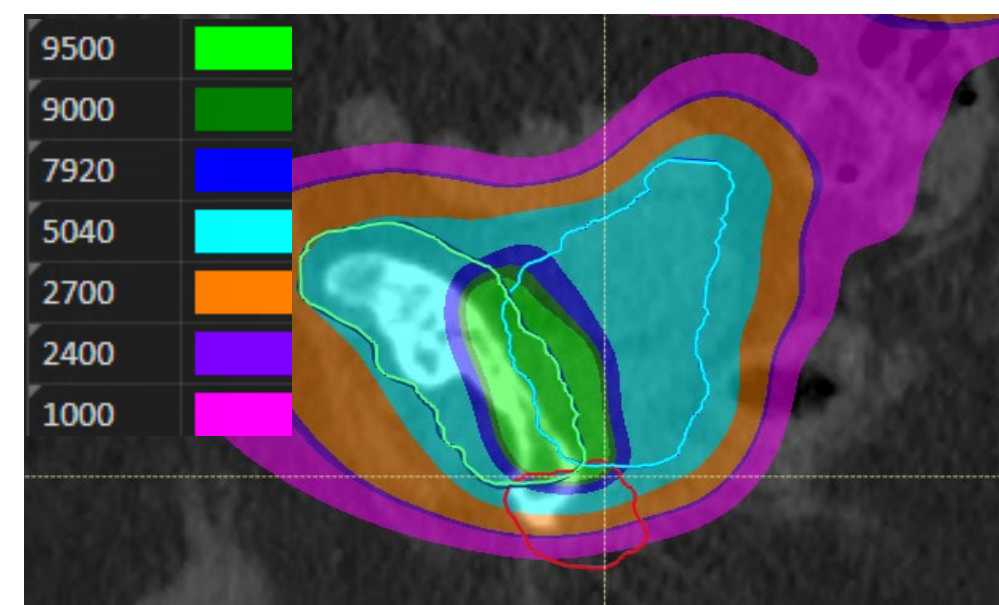
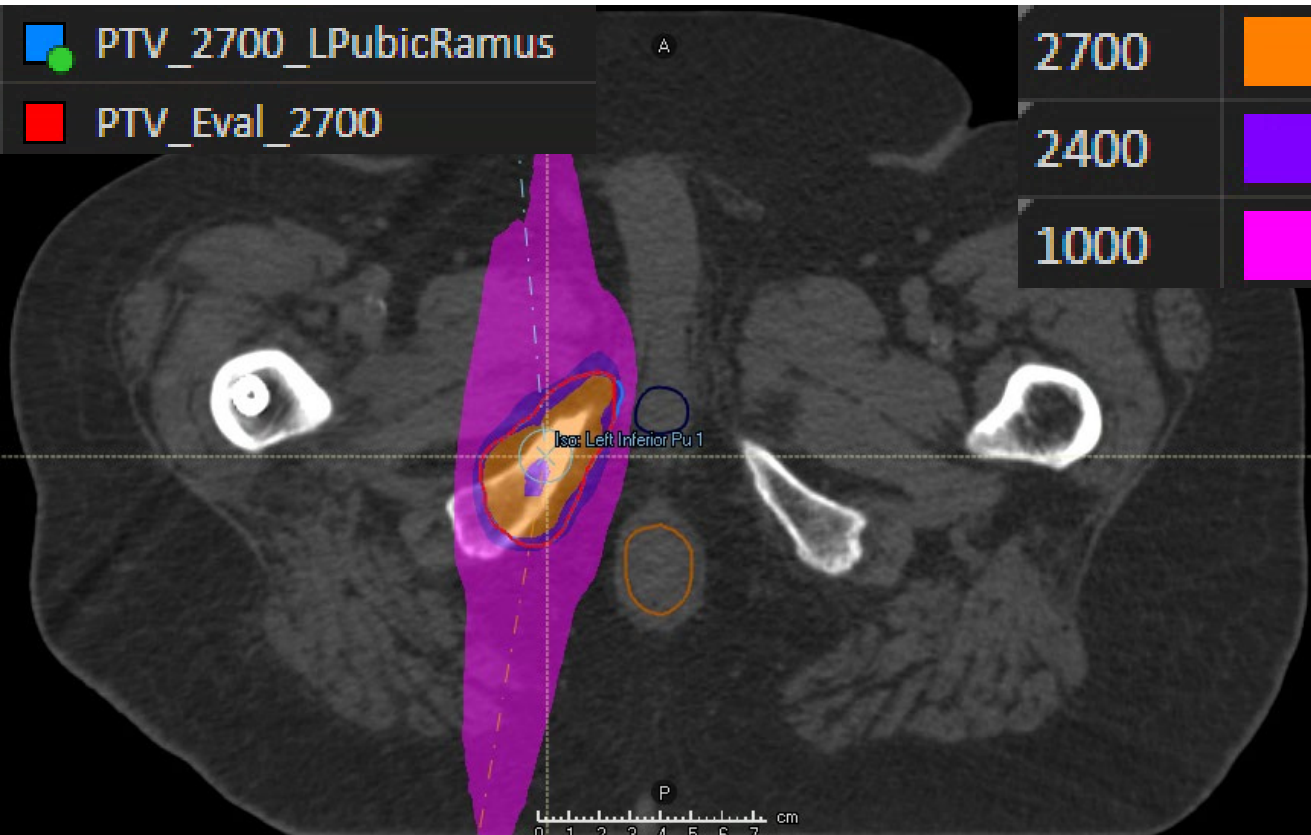
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# Communication and Collaboration

Complex Case Conference

Checking Prior EQD2 by Itself

Apertures and Beam Angles



# Planning Optimization Techniques

**PTV vs. PTV\_Eval**

**Cool Off 100Gy Overlap (pictured  
in orange- ROI from dose)**

**Keep GTV at Least 20GyRBE**



# Documentation



## Comments:

EQD2 was analyzed checking all prior by itself and with the left inf pubic ramus to better understand what the current Left Inf Pubic Ramus contributed to the composite dose. The 2016 HR prostate nodal treatment was given 20% forgiveness. Apertures were designed to eliminate as much overlap as possible from prior treatments with special attention to the soft tissue areas: penile bulb, prostate, and rectum.

# Wrapping Up!

Almost break time!

# Conclusion

## Teamwork

- Utilizing tools such as plan directives, screen-sharing and messaging are all ways to keep lines of communication open between team members when working on cases.



## Plan Optimization

- Optimization structures both manual and created via scripting can help with optimization of prior RT cases.



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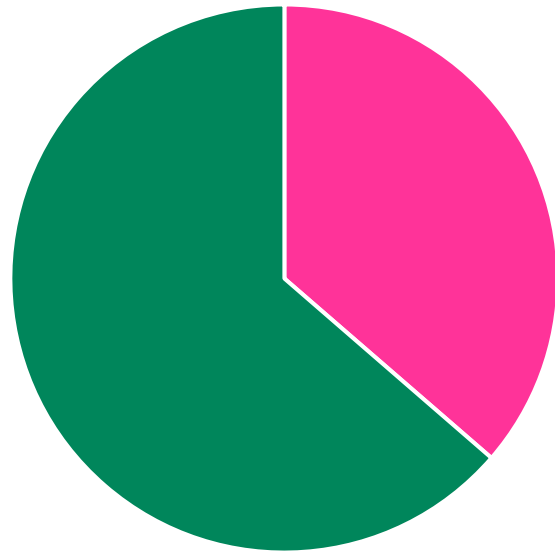
- Clear concise documentation of complex treatments will be vital especially as we see a growing number of prior RT cases.



# Questions?

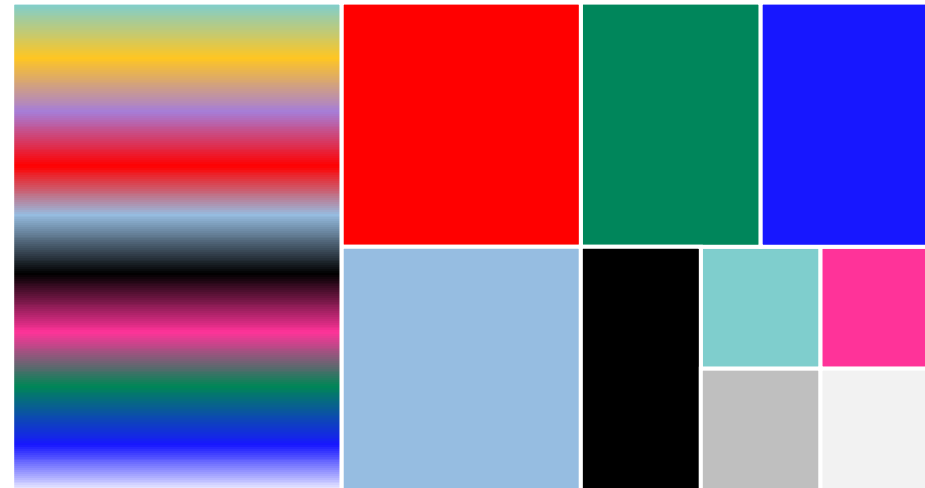
## Fun Question Results Survey

### Have you seen Wicked?



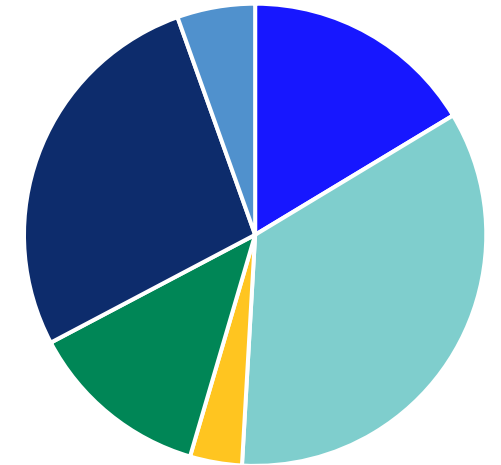
■ Yes     ■ No

### Favorite Taylor Swift Era?



- Taylor Swift Debut
- Speak Now
- 1989
- Lover
- Evermore
- TTPD
- Fearless
- Red
- Reputation
- Folklore
- Midnight
- All of the Above

### Favorite Theme Park?



- Universal Orlando
- Walt Disney World
- Sea World
- All of the Above
- None of the Above
- Other-Dollywood, Grants Farm

# Thank you

See you in Orlando! 😊

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