



# Thoracic & Gastrointestinal *nurse navigation* for your cancer patients



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## WORKING WITH YOU TO PROVIDE THE BEST POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

Oncology Nurse Navigators (ONN) offer individualized assistance to your patients throughout the cancer care continuum (prevention, screening, diagnosis, treatment, survivorship and end of life) in order to:

- improve time to diagnosis
- increase patient satisfaction
- reduce time to initial cancer treatment
- enhance cost efficiencies

Thoracic and Gastrointestinal Oncology Nurse Navigation is for patients with suspected or confirmed cancer in the following areas:

### Thoracic

esophagus    lung  
trachea      thymus  
chest wall

### Gastrointestinal

colon            liver            gallbladder  
bile duct      pancreas      appendix  
small bowel    rectum/anus    stomach

## NURSE NAVIGATOR GUIDING YOUR PATIENT THROUGH THEIR CANCER JOURNEY

- ✓ Addresses patient needs: financial, transportation, cultural, social/emotional, spiritual and informational  
- Barriers are tackled either on-site or through referral to community based or national organizations.
- ✓ Coordinates all appointments in a timely manner
- ✓ Provides recommendations/referrals to social workers, dieticians, outreach services and support groups
- ✓ Educates patient and their loved ones about the disease, treatments, side effects and self-supportive care
- ✓ Contacts patient after each treatment to thoroughly assess how they feel and offer symptom management
- ✓ Helps bridge any communication gaps between patient and their providers
- ✓ Tracks results of patient appointments and meets with patient regularly

## HOA ONCOLOGY NURSE NAVIGATORS

Available in each of our clinical offices - East Syracuse, Onondaga Hill and Auburn – our ONNs are Oncology Certified Registered Nurses with extensive cancer care experience. Current in all oncology treatment modalities, our ONNs also are certified in Chemotherapy and Biotherapy administration.



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