

NATIONAL COMMITTEES

National Quality Forum Steering Committee for Palliative Care and End-of-Life Project, 2011.

Worked on a task force with end-of-life experts from around the country to develop measures of appropriate end-of-life care for Medicare to use as guides when developing healthcare policy.

Clinical Affairs and Quality Committee American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (ASTRO), Co-chair, Bone Mets Guideline, 2010.

Organized a task force of specialists who subsequently devised and published the first ASTRO bone metastases treatment guidelines.

Member, International Conference on Metastases, Clinical Affairs and Quality Committee Clinical Affairs and Quality Committee American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (ASTRO), 2010-2011.

Helped to set national standards for the most appropriate means by which to treat patients with locally and metastatic cancer.

Radiation Therapy and Oncology Group (RTOG) Community Cancer Oncology Programs (CCOP)

Steering/Concept Review Committee. (2009 to present) Working with the committee on issues related to the development and conduct of science for CCOP institutions on a national level. Also acting as a reviewer for concepts prior to their submission for considerations of national funding.

International Consensus Conference Bone Metastasis Group. (2008 to present)

Lead member for the United States team working to define consensus recommendations for the work up, treatment, and follow up of patients with metastatic cancer involving bone. The results of the group's work will be presented at the 2010 meeting of the American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology.

American College of Radiology Appropriateness Criteria Bone Metastasis Diagnosis Committee. (2008 to present)

Member of a group of national experts to develop appropriateness criteria for the diagnosis of bone metastasis. The criteria are published on the American College of Radiology website.

American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (ASTRO) Hospice and Palliative Care Liaison. (2004 to present)

Liaison between ASTRO and the Hospice and Palliative Care medical subspecialty. Serve as coordinator for issues of research, education, and patient advocacy between these two medical specialties.

Chair of American College of Radiology Appropriateness Criteria Bone Metastasis Treatment Committee. (2006 to present).

Working with a multi-disciplinary group of experts to develop clinical appropriateness criteria for the treatment of bone metastasis with radiotherapy. Criteria are published and made available to all cancer specialists as they evaluate the appropriate treatments for patients with metastatic cancer.

American Board of Hospice and Palliative Medicine. Examination Committee (2004-2007).

Formulated questions for the Hospice and Palliative Medicine Boards under the direction of the National Board of Medical Examiners in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.