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NCCN Chemotherapy Order Templates to be Integrated into Epic's Electronic Health Record

The integration of the NCCN Chemotherapy Order Templates (NCCN Templates[®]) into Epic allows for access to evidence-based treatment protocols based on the NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines[®]).

FORT WASHINGTON, PA — The <u>National Comprehensive Cancer Network</u>® (<u>NCCN</u>®) is working with Epic to integrate the <u>NCCN Chemotherapy Order Templates</u> (<u>NCCN Templates</u>®) into Epic's Beacon Oncology Information System as electronic chemotherapy protocols for use by health care providers.

"NCCN is pleased to collaborate with Epic on this new offering which indeed benefits patients with cancer," said Robert W. Carlson, MD, Chief Executive Officer, NCCN. "Access to the templates within their EHR will assist physicians in ensuring that they are ordering the latest evidence-based chemotherapy regimens for their patients in both the academic and community settings."

As part of the integration, the NCCN Templates[®] will link to NCCN.org so that the related NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines[®]) are available to end users as a reference through Beacon, which allows physicians to create treatment plans based on standard protocols and make treatment decisions guided by comprehensive decision support.

The information contained in the NCCN Templates is based on the NCCN Guidelines[®]. NCCN Templates include chemotherapy and immunotherapy regimens with literature support, supportive care agents, monitoring parameters, and safety instructions.

NCCN continues to add to the library of chemotherapy order templates to improve the safe and effective use of drugs and biologics in cancer care.

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The NCCN Templates enhance patient safety by assisting health care providers with standardization of patient care, reduction in medication errors, and anticipation and management of adverse events.

For more information about the NCCN Templates, visit NCCN.org/templates.

About the National Comprehensive Cancer Network

The National Comprehensive Cancer Network® (NCCN®), a not-for-profit alliance of 25 of the world's leading cancer centers devoted to patient care, research, and education, is dedicated to improving the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of cancer care so that patients can live better lives. Through the leadership and expertise of clinical professionals at NCCN Member Institutions, NCCN develops resources that present valuable information to the numerous stakeholders in the health care delivery system. As the arbiter of high-quality cancer care, NCCN promotes the importance of continuous quality improvement and recognizes the significance of creating clinical practice guidelines appropriate for use by patients, clinicians, and other health care decision-makers.

The NCCN Member Institutions are: Fred and Pamela Buffett Cancer Center at The Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, NE; City of Hope Comprehensive Cancer Center, Los Angeles, CA; Dana-Farber/Brigham and Women's Cancer Center | Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center, Boston, MA; Duke Cancer Institute, Durham, NC; Fox Chase Cancer Center, Philadelphia, PA; Huntsman Cancer Institute at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT; Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center/Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, Seattle, WA: The Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins, Baltimore, MD; Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University, Chicago, IL: Mayo Clinic Cancer Center, Phoenix/Scottsdale, AZ, Jacksonville, FL, and Rochester, MN; Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York, NY; Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL; The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center - James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute. Columbus, OH; Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Buffalo, NY; Siteman Cancer Center at Barnes-Jewish Hospital and Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO; St. Jude Children's Research Hospital/The University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Memphis, TN; Stanford Cancer Institute, Stanford, CA; University of Alabama at Birmingham Comprehensive Cancer Center, Birmingham, AL; UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center, La Jolla, CA; UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center, San Francisco, CA: University of Colorado Cancer Center, Aurora, CO; University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, Ann Arbor, MI: The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX; Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center, Nashville, TN; and Yale Cancer Center/Smilow Cancer Hospital, New Haven, CT.

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