



# Implementing Virtual Tumor Boards Amid COVID-19

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# We Engaged the Following Stakeholders in the Decision-Making Process

- Cancer program leadership teams
- Oncology registry cancer conference coordinator
- CME coordinators
- Telemedicine analyst
- The oncology service line



# Why Did we Select Zoom as our Virtual Platform?

- HIPAA compliant, password protected meeting
- Allows participants to join that would not otherwise have access to Microsoft Teams (e.g., independent physicians)
- Ability to join via phone or computer from any location
- Ability to display images using shared screen – thus satisfying CoC standards and CME guidelines



# Strategies for Success

- We enlisted our telemedicine analyst and resident Zoom expert to provide training sessions to our cancer conference teams – most importantly pathology, radiology, and registry cancer conference coordinator
- Physician champion and cancer conference coordinator conducted ‘dry run practice sessions’ with key presenters in order to allow extra time for them to gain familiarity with sharing screen feature prior to ‘going live’



# Strategies for Success

- Schedule meetings in outlook calendar with password protection
- Agenda emailed out to meeting attendees securely ahead of time
- Zoom meeting moderator essential in order to keep discussions focused on required elements



# Challenges Along the Way

- Participants getting familiar with the technology (learning curve)
- Ensuring that you have an inclusive outlook  
invite list of possible attendees and key disciplines required
- Presenting physicians talking too much and therefore not getting through every case



# Future Plans / Feedback from Teams

- Overwhelmingly positive feedback about the Zoom technology from participants
- Increase in attendance; increase in number of cases presented - more efficient
- Expanded access - Individuals can participate in multiple cancer conferences across the WellSpan system as it eliminates travel; more opportunity for CME credits; allied health education
- Oncology Registry attendance/ case abstracting information



# Future Plans / Feedback from Teams

- Can envision Zoom being used in other ways for individual multidisciplinary patient consults; cancer committee meetings, system-wide breast conference
- Some stated that zoom doesn't allow for spontaneous discussion
- Consider a possible hybrid format using zoom in the future
  - Small number of participants physically present with conference room video capture
  - Majority of participants remote from own location







# ACCC COVID-19 Resource Center & Listserv

- Weekly Webcast Series
  - May 15: Developing a COVID-19 Recovery Plan
- CANCER BUZZ Mini-Podcasts
- Evidence-Based Guidelines & Information
- Member Discussions & Resources on ACCCExchange

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