Oral Chemotherapy Resources

The growing number of oral medications for the treatment of cancer over the past decade has revolutionized oncology care, providing many new options for cancer treatment. HOPA recognizes these new options also create common practice challenges. The following are practice tools, standards, and guidelines that HOPA recommends for use in the management of oral chemotherapy.

Guidelines/Best Practices

- 2016 Updated American Society of Clinical Oncology/Oncology Nursing Society Chemotherapy Administration Safety Standards, Including Standards for Pediatric Oncology
- NCCN Task Force Report: Oral Chemotherapy
- QOPI Oral Chemotherapy Measures and Relevant General Chemotherapy Measures

General Resources

- HOPA Website Resources
- MOQC Oral Resources
- ONS Oral Therapy Resources

Therapy Initiation

Initiation Checklist

- Initiation Checklist for a New Start Oral Chemotherapy

Prescribing Recommendations

- FDA Drugs Site

Medication Reconciliation

- AHRQ Medications at Transitions and Clinical Handoffs (MATCH) Toolkit for Medication Reconciliation
- Joint Commission 2017 National Patient Safety Goals (NPSG.03.06.01)

Drug-Drug, Drug-Herb, and Drug-Food Interaction Resources

- Indiana University Drug Interaction Site
- Recommendations for Taking Oral Antineoplastics with Regard to Food
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center Integrative Medicine Site (Herbs)
Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database

Financial Resources

ASCO Managing the Cost of Cancer Care
NCCN Virtual Reimbursement Resource Room
Michigan Society of Hematology and Oncology MSHO Patient Support Resources

Education

Multinational Association for Supportive Care in Cancer (MASCC) Oral Agent Teaching Tool (MOATT)
Oncolink Education Resources
Chemocare Managing Side Effects
ONS Oral Chemo Guide
MOQC Drug Specific Resources

Safe-Handling/Disposal/Other General

Safe Handling of Oral Chemotherapeutic Agents in Clinical Practice: Recommendations From an International Pharmacy Panel (2010)

Reproductive/Fertility Resources

Fertility Preservation for Patients With Cancer: American Society of Clinical Oncology Clinical Practice Guideline Update
NCCN Adolescent and Young Adult Guidelines - Fertility Considerations

Medication Adherence

UNC Health Care Taking Your Oral Chemotherapy (English/Spanish)

Monitoring

Patient Reported Outcomes (PRO) Tools

Edmonton Symptom Assessment Scale
Implementing a Method for Evaluating Patient-Reported Outcomes Associated With Oral Oncolytic Therapy (2017)
Utilizing Patient Reported Outcomes for Patients Receiving Oral Chemotherapy (2017)
MD Anderson Symptom Inventory
Overall survival results of a randomized trial assessing patient-reported outcomes for symptom monitoring during routine cancer treatment (2017)

Symptoms

MASCC Symptom Management

ASCO Antiemetic Guidelines (2017)

NCCN Guidelines for Antiemesis

Adherence

Adherence Overview (2016)

Review of the four item Morisky Medication Adherence Scale (MMAS-4) and eight item Morisky Medication Adherence Scale (MMAS-8) (2014)

The relationship between patient activation, confidence to self-manage side effects, and adherence to oral oncolytics: a pilot study with Michigan oncology practices (2017)

Nonadherence to Imatinib Treatment in Patients with Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors: The ADAGIO Study (2011)

Mobile Application to Promote Adherence to Oral Chemo and Symptom Management (2017)

Monitoring Parameters

FDA Drugs Site

NCCN Chemotherapy Order Templates

Avella Oral Oncology Monitoring and Counseling