

# ONCOLOGY SERVICE LINE: Governance and Leadership Best Practices

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### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Characterize the need for diverse leadership skills
- Define the value of physicians as leaders
- Describe a leadership model that effectively engages physicians at the institutional, regional, and enterprise levels



# **HCA / SARAH CANNON**

An Overview



### **HCA FOOTPRINT**

27+ million patient contacts annually

Approximately 5% of major hospital services in U.S.:

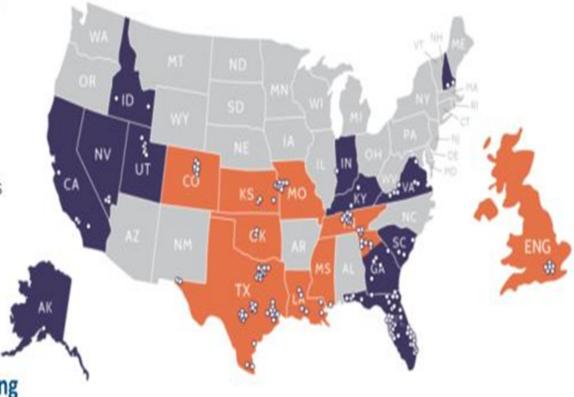
Admissions 1.9 million
Clinic Visits 8.0 million
Deliveries 0.2 million
Total Surgeries 1.5 million
ER Visits 8.4 million

174 Hospitals, 119 Freestanding Surgery Centers

 Operating in some of the fastest growing metropolitan communities providing approximately 25% of hospital services

 240,000+ employees, including 80,000 nurses and 47,000 allied health professionals

 37,000 affiliated physicians, including 4,100 employed physicians and practitioners





HCA's American Group

HCA's National Group

### SARAH CANNON SERVICE LINE INITIATIVE

### Sarah Cannon formed a global oncology service line to:

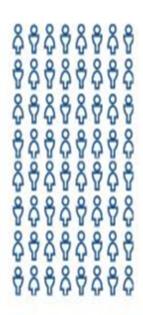
- Solidify and expand HCA's position in cancer care
- Ensure we deliver strong growth in the future against high quality competitor offerings

### Sarah Cannon partnered with each market to:

- Gather input and perspective on the local cancer care market and understand work todate
- Develop and refine an integrated oncology service line model
- Mobilize around specific growth opportunities, including securing the necessary resources
- Ensure delivery of best-in-class offerings for our patients, referrers, and physicians as well
  as a financial return to our company



### SARAH CANNON – LEVERAGING SCOPE/SCALE/SCIENCE



One of the world's

### largest

drug development /phase 1 programs

Utilizes the

### largest

patient access/ER system to diagnose cancer at earlier stages

(8.4 million visits a year)



### 120,000+

Newly diagnosed cancer patients per year within the system



Together, we provide state-of-the-art cancer care close to home for hundreds of thousands of patients, a number unmatched by any single cancer center.



200+

oncology-trained nurse navigators

### Largest

cancer navigation program in the US

1,000+

annual transplants

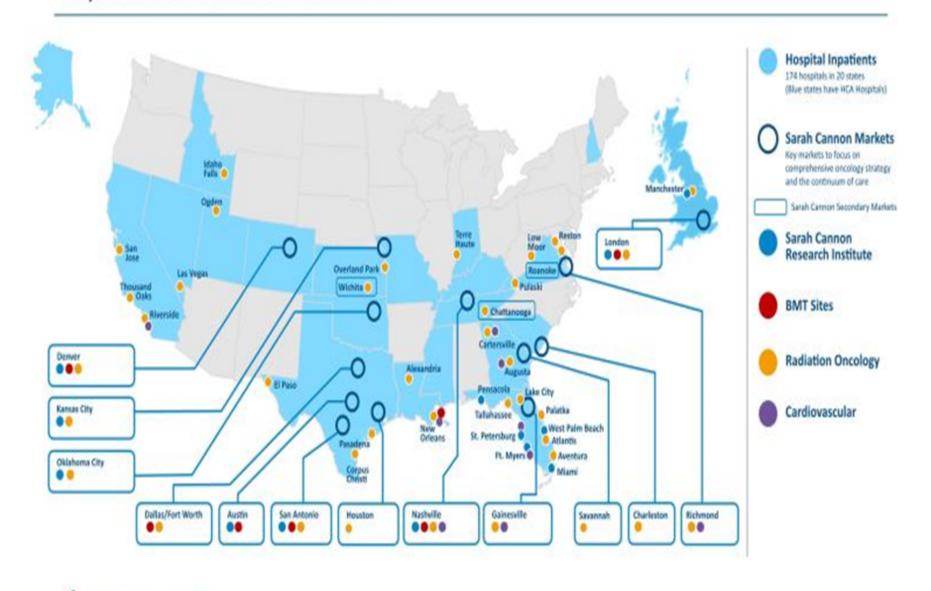
### Largest

blood cancer transplant network





### **HCA/SARAH CANNON ASSET OVERVIEW**





# THE IMPERATIVE FOR SYSTEM LEADERSHIP

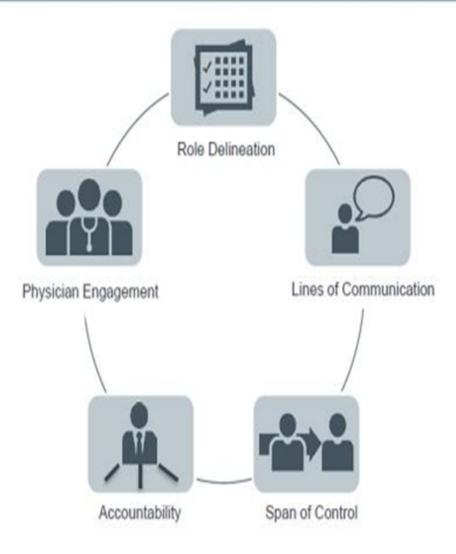


### THE REVOLUTION / EVOLUTION IN HEALTHCARE





### LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE MUST SUPPORT KEY COMPONENTS OF ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGN





### THE FOUR MAJOR LEADERSHIP FUNCTIONS



To bring about congruence of goals between members of an organization



To balance group resources and capabilities with environmental demands



To provide group structure that will focus information effectively upon problem solutions



To make certain that all information is available to decision makers when required



### HEALTH SYSTEM EXECUTIVES AS CLIENTS OF THE ONCOLOGY SERVICE LINE

- Alignment with System Priorities
- Effective Conduits of Information
- A Vehicle for Physician Alignment
- Translation and Mapping of Service Line Goals with Executive Priorities
- Prioritized Focus on Clinical Quality,
   Patient Experience, and Growth





### UNRECOGNIZED NEEDS POSE LEADERSHIP RISK

- Outpatient Focus and Expertise Still Not Prevalent
- Rapid Pace of Scientific Discovery Changing the Landscape
  - Lines Between Research and Practice Blurring
  - Precision Medicine Chaos
  - Expensive Targeted Therapies
- Complexity of Interdisciplinary Interactions Challenge Historical Hospital Structures
- Value Based Care Models Ambiguous and Dynamic for Oncology





### For some...



## For others...





### PHYSICIAN LEADERSHIP MAKES A DIFFERENCE

- 2013 US News and World Report Hospital Rankings
  - Top 5 are physician led
  - 10 of 18 are physician led
- 2011 Study of Association Between Physician Leadership and Performance
  - Indicated that "the best performing hospitals are led disproportionately by physicians."
  - Quality scores in oncology were 33% higher for physician led institutions
- McKinsey & Co Examined Factors Associated with Healthcare Productivity
  - Physician leadership a key contributor to organizational performance across domains (quality, patient satisfaction, and financial margins)



# Clinical Excellence Leadership Excellence





### CORE COMPETENCIES DIFFER ACCORDING TO ROLE



### PHYSICIAN CORE SKILLS

- Medical Knowledge
- Patient Care
- Practice-based Learning
- Professionalism
- Interpersonal/Communication Skills

Do Not Underestimate the Value of Investing in Physician Leadership

Training





- Systems Theory And Analysis
- Utilization Of IT And Analytics
- Cross-disciplinary Team Leadership
- Models Of Care Awareness
- Expanded Knowledge
- Relationship Management
- Influence Skills
- Authenticity
- Capacity To Inspire

# A MODEL FOR COLLABORATIVE GOVERNANCE THE SARAH CANNON EXPERIENCE

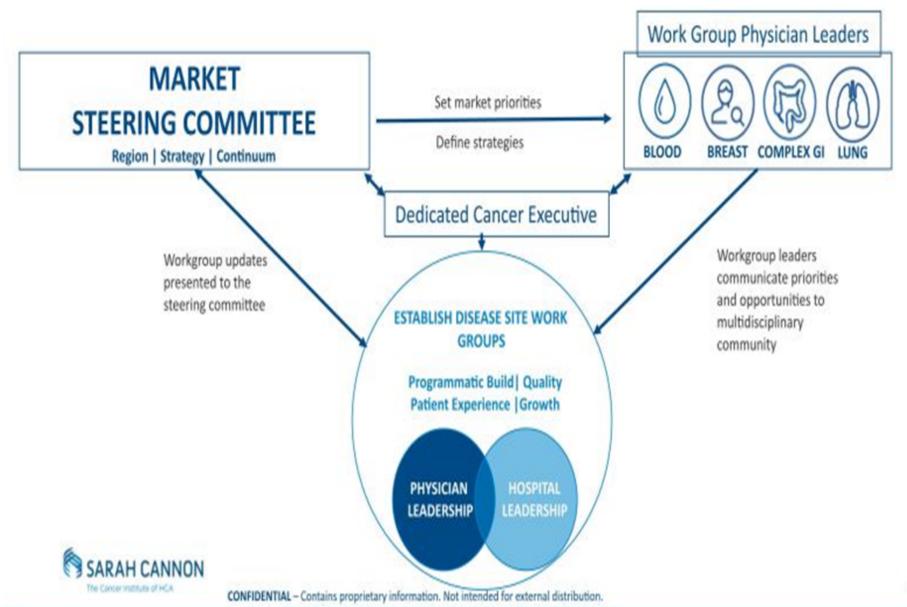


### **ELEMENTS OF HIGH QUALITY CARE ARE CONSISTENT ACROSS TUMOR PROGRAMS**





### SUCCESSFUL CANCER GOVERNANCE MODEL WITH HIGH PHYSICIAN ENGAGEMENT



### MARKET GOVERNANCE BOARD – CRITICAL ATTRIBUTES



- Health System Senior Executive Presides
- Cancer Executive Facilitates Discussion
- Focus: Strategy
- Physicians Lead Discussions for High Value Programs
- Small Group
- Physicians Invited for Defined Terms
- Essential Physician Attributes
  - Leadership Skills Paramount
  - Capacity for Enterprise Strategic Thinking
  - Have the Clout to Align Their Groups
  - Loyalty/Historical Alignment



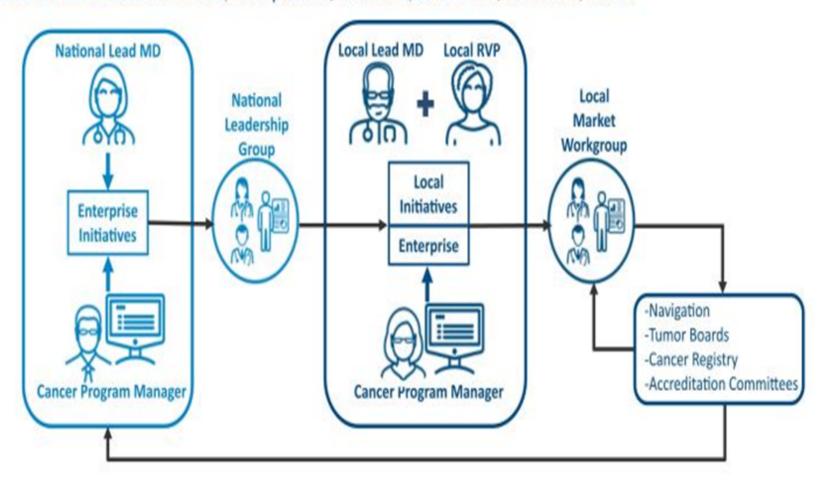
### SAMPLE AGENDA

| :30 p.m 5:40 p.m.  | Dinner & Welcome   | Division President                        |  |
|--------------------|--|---|--|
| :40 p.m 5:50 p.m.  | Market Intelligence  | Board                                     |  |
| 5:50 p.m 6:00 p.m. | Market Operations Update     Service line Trends   | Service Line Leader                       |  |
| 5:00 p.m 7:00 p.m. | Disease Site Strategic Planning  Blood Cancer & Cellular Therapy  Breast  Complex GI  Radiation Oncology  Thoracic | Physician Tumor Site Workgroup<br>Leaders |  |
| 7:00 p.m 7:15 p.m. | Program Performance Review   | Service Line Leader                       |  |



### COMMUNICATION PROCESS

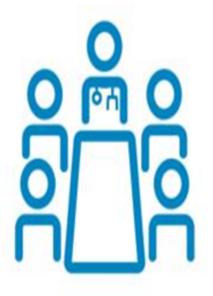
INDIVIDUAL WORKGROUPS: Breast, Complex GI, Thoracic, GYN-Onc, Sarcoma, Neuro



MANAGED MARKETS: Austin • Dallas • Denver • Houston • Kansas City • Nashville • North Florida • Richmond • San Antonio



### TUMOR SITE WORKGROUPS – CRITICAL ATTRIBUTES



- Physician Leader Presides
- Clinical Program Manager Facilitates
- Focus: Tactical, Operational
- Multidisciplinary Representation is Requisite
- Open to Community of Practitioners in that Specialty
- Essential Physician Attributes
  - Subject Matter Expert > Leadership Skills
  - Commitment to Quality Improvement and Collaboration
  - Recognized as Credible by Peers



### 2018 TUMOR-SITE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE GOALS

|                                   | Q1   | Q2   | Q3  | Q4  |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Focus                             | Recap  | Assess Landscape   | Pathways/Prioritize Local<br>Opportunities  | 2019 Prioritization   |
| National<br>Leadership<br>Meeting | January 16, 2018                                       | April 17, 2018   | July 19, 2018   | October 16, 2018  |
| National<br>Tumor<br>Conference   | March 13, 2018   | June 12, 2018  | September 11, 2018  | December 4, 2018  |
| Focus<br>Details                  | Pathway adherence & program performance metrics review | <ul> <li>2019 Leadership Planning</li> <li>Identify 2019         goals/deliverables</li> <li>Identify new pathways and required updates</li> </ul> | Assess vital project progress     Identify 2019 investments required     Execute pathway builds/revisions | <ul> <li>Assess project status/yields</li> <li>Identify course corrections</li> <li>Succession planning</li> <li>Discuss successes and/or barriers</li> </ul> |



# LEVERAGING YOUR GOVERNANCE INFRASTRUCTURE TO DRIVE CLINICAL PROGRAMS



### CLINICAL PROGRAMS OVERVIEW: PHYSICIAN LED AND PATIENT CENTRIC APPROACH



## Infrastructure

Sustainable and comprehensive tumor site specific programs

# Collaboration

Establish a platform for multidisciplinary communication across Sarah Cannon

# **Data Collection**

Capture, review and distribute data to enhance decision making capabilities



### PROCESS FOR CLINICAL PROGRAM BUILD

#### **National Leadership Committee Program Build Goals: Work Group** Tumor Conf. Develop a network **Navigation** that can increase **Quality Plan** the level of positive change/outcomes in Volume/Revenues patient care Technology/Facilities SARAH CANNON COE **Physicians PROGRAM** Competition Develop requirements for a World Class Program **GOVERNANCE** DIVISION **GAP ANALYSIS** BOARD REVIEW COMMITMENT Continuous program improvement Strategy **Business Plan PROGRAMS**



### SARAH CANNON PATHWAYS

# Clinical Pathways Aim to Improve, in Particular, the Continuity and Coordination of Care Across Different Disciplines and Sectors

Standardize
Evidence-based
Practice Throughout
Sarah Cannon
Network

Utilization and Distribution of Expertise Across National Network Provide
Synchronicity to
Enact Impactful
Change

Provides Metrics and Standards for Navigation

Who Develops the Pathway?

All Sarah Cannon Pathways are Developed by Physicians and Practitioners from Every Market



### PATHWAY DEVELOPMENT: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



### Development

4 - 6 MONTHS



- Physician engagement
- Pathway build
- Define adherence metrics



**Navigation** 

- Assist with data accuracy
- Ensures workflow is



feasible



### **Pilot**

3-6 MONTHS

- Define the pathway workflow process
- Implement pathways in practice
- Review metric for data concerns or issues
- · Work groups review and discuss findings
- Review reports for data entry concerns and accuracy
- Define care coordination barriers



### Operational

**ONGOING** 

- Distribute adherence data across Sarah Cannon enterprise
- Communicate on pathway improvements and enhancements
- Participate and define outcomes research opportunities
- Fall-out report review for accuracy
- Work with physician for best practice alignment
- Communicate effectively to new physicians regarding role responsibilities
- Educate and assist other navigators



### PATHWAYS = IMPROVED PATIENT CARE

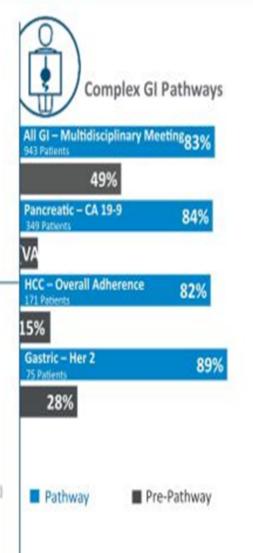
5,500+

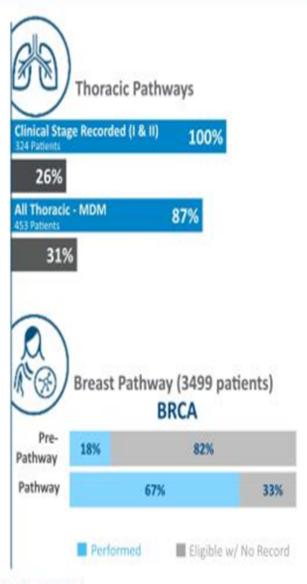
Patients on Pathway

220+

Engaged Physicians across 11 Markets

(Austin, Dallas, Denver, Houston, Kansas City, Nashville, N. Fla, Richmond, San Antonio, Wichita, Southwest Virginia)



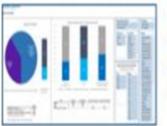




<sup>1</sup>Data Range: 10/15 to 12/18

### REPORTING

### **Overall Adherence Report**



- Monthly Operational Pathways
- · Contrasts Navigated vs Non
- · Core vs Non Market

### **CP3R Data Reports**



- Tumor Specific Quality Measures
- Comparative Data for Physicians
- Fosters Pre-Emptive Awareness of Quality

### **Tumor Specific Adherence Reports**

- · Tumor Specific Pathways
- Pathway Specific Adherence Metrics
- Filterable by Navigator/Physician

### Trended Adherence/Fall-Out Reports

- Pulls Non-Adherent Patients for Navigation Review
- Details Reason for Non-Adherence
- Displays Non-Adherent Reason Trends



### **Adherence Report Visuals**



- Built Quarterly for Presentations
- Contrasts Different Patient Cohorts

### **Outcomes Measures Report**



 Displays Survivorship and 30 Day Post-Op Mortality Rate for Different Patient Cohorts



### CASE STUDY – HIGH RISK WOMEN'S PROGRAM

### **Problem Statement:**

The development of comprehensive women's high risk screening and care programs is compromised by the lack of defined best practices and workflows, dedicated leaders, interdepartmental accountability challenges, lack of operator understanding, and IT heterogeneity.

For Sarah Cannon the challenge is compounded by the requirement to operate solutions at scale.

### Purpose Statement:

To develop a Sarah Cannon High Risk Women's Program using evidence-based pathway(s) for identifying women who are at increased risk for cancer, then providing personalized management, risk reduction and surveillance.



### HCA'S OPPORTUNITY – SOURCED BY CLINICAL EXPERTS

# Advisory Committee Participants

- Genetic counselors
- Administrators
- Navigators
- 21 Engaged Physicians
   (Gyn Oncs, Med Oncs, Radiologist, Surgeons, PCPs)

Across 8 Markets

# Working Groups Developing Best Practices

- · Risk Assessment model
- · Genetic counseling models
- · Workflows
- Guidelines/Pathways



#### Patient Identification and Coordination

- No standardized comprehensive risk assessment strategy in place
- · Variable access to genetic counseling and genetic testing
- · Marked gaps in care coordination



#### Strategy

- · Subject matter expertise is extremely limited
- Most markets are actively investing in high risk women's programming
- · High fragmentation of care; outmigration



### Technology

- · Highly manual, labor-intensive processes
- Spreadsheets, sticky notes to track patients



#### Finance

- . No clear understanding of needed investments
- No clear understanding of ROI opportunities
- Multiple markets pursuing disparate technical solutions





### DEVELOPMENT DETAILS

### **Engagement and Define Infrastructure/Best Practices**

### Phase I

- Engage Physicians and care team
- Develop HRWP Playbook comprehensive document outlining all components of a high risk program
- Develop HRWP Toolkit repository of tools, documents, resources for program planning and implementation

### Play Book



### Toolkit



### Phase II

- Establish Steering Committee for operational oversight - Establish business plan imperatives
- · Share best practices nationally
- PILOT programmatic build and Technology
- Define Genetic counseling models
- Prove technology
- Design HRWP Outcomes Research Study

### Assessment



### Pilot



### Measure and Report





# **SUMMARY**



### OSL: GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP PEARLS

- The complexity of the healthcare endeavor, particularly within cancer care, requires diverse leadership skills that span clinical, business, and operational domains
- Physicians are essential in leadership roles but are not trained for those roles
- Selection of physician leaders should involve matching of the physician skill set against the role to be filled
- Dyad leadership models can be synergistic
- Well-conceived governance structures are vital to ecosystems where providers, administrators, and operators are effective in driving quality and business goals





# **THANK YOU**