

Colorado Survivorship Care Planning Program

In its landmark report, [*From Cancer Patient to Cancer Survivor: Lost in Transition*](#), the Institute of Medicine (IOM) recommended that all cancer patients completing primary treatment be provided with a comprehensive written treatment summary and follow-up care plan. Many organizations have developed versions of these documents to help providers accomplish this goal. The [2012 Commission on Cancer Program Standards](#) now require that all accredited hospitals deliver treatment summaries and care plans to cancer patients treated in their facilities by 2015.

Click [here to watch a video](#) from the IOM about the importance of these documents.

The Colorado Central Cancer Registry, with funding from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), has developed a web-based application which allows oncology providers to view and complete survivorship care plans that have already been populated with much of the necessary information: medical background, site, stage, and treatment information among many other things. The final product is a patient-friendly document complete with both clinical information about the patient's diagnosis and treatment as well as useful resources about healthy living for the future.

This program was piloted throughout Colorado with extremely positive results, and is currently being integrated into the CDC's existing WebPlus registry software package. WebPlus is available for free to all states funded by the National Program of Cancer Registries (NPCR) at CDC. This means that the majority of the country will soon have access to this product at no cost.

Please contact [Cathy Bledsoe](#) or [Randi Rycroft](#) with questions or to get a personalized demonstration of the software for your cancer team.