

INTRODUCTION

The Global Palliative Care Quality Alliance is a group of 30 academic, community, and private palliative care organizations with the goal of furthering best practices within palliative care. In order to achieve this goal, these sites track quality metrics through the use of QDACT, a web-based quality data collection tool. This poster summarizes the data collected by the Alliance since its conception in 2009. The data was summarized on July 15th, 2017.

Over more than eight years, physicians across the United States have obtained data from 60,358 encounters with 26,993 unique patients. This equates to more than 2.5 million clinical data points collected throughout the use of this tool.

MISSION & VISION

Mission: To define and implement consensus based standards leading to the delivery of high-quality palliative care to patients and their families. The GPCQA believes that the advancement of palliative care is based on establishing and nurturing a collaborative community of clinicians from around the globe to share ideas, data, and resources.

Vision: Health care providers and leaders have the knowledge and tools needed to provide high quality care to seriously ill patients.

FIGURE 1: Map of GPCQA Sites

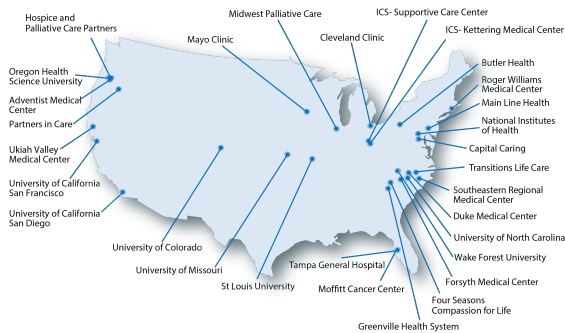


TABLE 1: Encounter Growth by Quarter

Date	# of Encounters	Growth	% Growth
7/15/14	25,822		
10/15/14	27,042	+1,220	4.7%
1/15/15	28,313	+1,271	4.7%
4/15/15	30,431	+2,118	7.5%
7/15/15	32,515	+2,084	6.8%
10/15/15	34,137	+1,622	5.0%
1/15/16	36,160	+2,023	5.9%
4/15/16	38,730	+2,570	7.1%
7/15/16	41,370	+2,640	6.8%
10/15/16	46,750	+5,380	13.0%
1/15/17	50,838	+4,088	8.7%
4/15/17	55,433	+4,605	9.1%
7/15/17	60,358	+4,915	8.9%

FIGURE 2: Encounters by Consultation Location

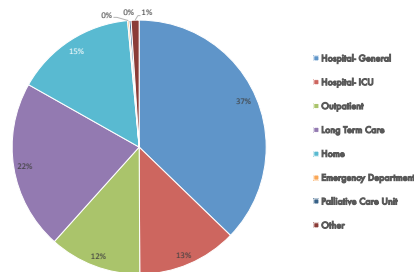


FIGURE 3: Encounters by Diagnosis

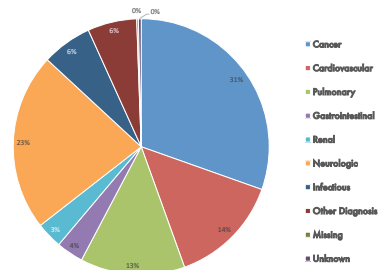


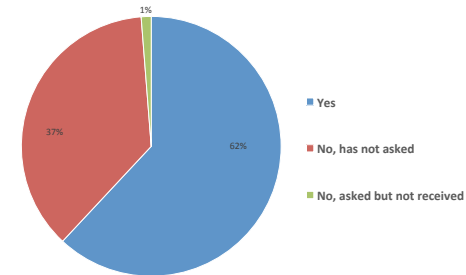
TABLE 2: Symptom Assessment Analysis

Symptom	% Completion	% Moderate or Above
Pain	85.1%	25.7%
Dyspnea	83.8%	16.2%
Constipation	82.0%	9.4%

TABLE 3: Caregiver Assessment Analysis

Question	% Completed
Who are the informal caregivers involved in your care?	63.6%
During the past month, in what ways have your informal caregivers helped you?	51.9%
Have your informal caregivers asked for help from others and received it?	45.5%

FIGURE 4: Answer Distribution: "Have your informal caregivers asked for help from others and received it?"



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