

Acknowledgments

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) acknowledges the following individuals, who, in addition to the primary authors, Ronald M. Epstein, MD, and Richard L. Street, Jr, PhD, made significant contributions to this monograph.

Additional Authors

The following individuals contributed to selected parts of the monograph:

Ron D. Hays, PhD (lead author, chapter 5); Taj Hadee, MD (coauthor, appendix B); Jennifer Carroll, MD (co author, appendix D); and Timothy E. Quill, MD (coauthor, appendix D).

NCI Staff

- Neeraj K. Arora, PhD, was the NCI project officer for this monograph. His expertise in patient-clinician communication research led him to identify the need for the monograph, which was subsequently produced under his scientific leadership and management.
- Steven B. Clauser, PhD, and Bradford W. Hesse, PhD, provided support for various aspects of the project. They, along with the project officer, provided significant scientific direction to the authors

throughout the development of the monograph.

- Wendy McLaughlin, MSW, MPA, served as the project coordinator and efficiently assisted the project officer in managing all the administrative tasks related to the monograph. She also provided valuable scientific feedback on several drafts of the monograph.
- Tracy Layne, MPH, and Denise Buckley, ELS, assisted with several tasks related to the production and printing of the manuscript as an official NCI monograph.

External Reviewers

In addition to feedback from NCI scientific staff, the following individuals reviewed and provided the authors with helpful commentary on numerous drafts of the monograph:

Anthony Back, MD; Phyllis Butow, PhD; Kevin Fiscella, MD, MPH; Jennifer Griggs, MD, MPH; Ron D. Hays, PhD; Gary Morrow, PhD; Timothy E. Quill, MD; Laura Siminoff, PhD; Kurt C. Stange, MD, PhD; and Stephen Zyzanski, PhD.

NCI Symposium Participants

This monograph was significantly revised on the basis of insightful discussions and commentaries presented at the Symposium on Patient-Centered Communication in Cancer Care, which was organized by NCI and held on May 15-16, 2006, in Bethesda, Maryland. Invited participants of the symposium were:

Terrance L. Albrecht, PhD, MLIR; Neeraj K. Arora, PhD; Anthony Back, MD; Rachel Ballard-Barbash, MD, MPH; Cathy Charles, PhD, MPhil, MA; Steven B. Clauser, PhD; Paul D. Cleary, PhD; Robert T. Croyle, PhD; Mary Jo Deering, PhD; Ronald M. Epstein, MD; David H. Gustafson, PhD; Ron D. Hays, PhD; Bradford W. Hesse, PhD; Brent James, MD; Lenora Johnson, MPH, CHES; Susan Leigh, RN; Frances M. Lewis, PhD, MN; Merle H. Mishel, PhD, RN, FAAN; Albert G. Mulley, Jr, MD, MPP; Timothy E. Quill, MD; Deborah Schrag, MD; Joshua Seidman, PhD; Kurt C. Stange, MD, PhD; Richard L. Street, Jr, PhD; Stephen Taplin, MD, MPH; and Edward H. Wagner, MD, MPH, FACP.

Editorial Support

- The following individuals provided the authors with significant support for tasks such as bibliographic searches and formatting and editing of the manuscript submitted to NCI: Christopher Mooney, MS; Johny Garner, PhD; Judith Lardner, MS; Deborah Fox, MA; Peg Downen, BA; Patrice Mitchell, BS; and Sue Palmiero.
- Penelope Randall-Levy, BS, helped the project officer edit a document that summarized key points of the monograph and was used as background for discussions at the NCI Symposium on Patient-Centered Communication in Cancer Care.
- Lori Alexander, MTPW, ELS, provided substantive editing services to prepare the final manuscript for printing.
- The Matthews Media Group created the cover and interior design of the monograph.