

St. Vincent Anderson Cancer Center

2016 Public Reporting of Outcomes

Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

Standards of Care and Protocols
(Quality Measures)
Lung Cancer Treatment

Lung cancer occurs when cells in the lung become abnormal and grow out of control. As more cancer cells develop, they may form a tumor and spread to other locations in the body.

There are two main types of lung cancer:

- 1) Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), which accounts for approximately 80% to 85% of lung cancers
- 2) Small cell lung cancer (SCLC), which accounts for approximately 10% to 15% of lung cancers

Although both are technically “lung cancer,” they are treated very differently.

St. Vincent Anderson Regional Cancer Center is very diligent in treating patients according to standards of care, evidence based medicine, and the best treatment protocols. As an accredited program through the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer, St. Vincent Anderson Regional Cancer Center is reviewed and held to specific quality measures in the treatment of our cancer patients. Because non-small cell lung cancer accounts for the majority of lung cancers, the Commission on Cancer reviews our practices and scores our outcomes for the required standards of care specifically for these patients. The Commission audits surgery and chemotherapy administration practices and posts results for our Cancer Committee to review. The Commission requires an immediate action plan for programs or centers that fall below the requirements.

I am pleased to report that St. Vincent Anderson Regional Cancer Center has compliance score of 100% for best practices in the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer. We take pride in not only this performance standard, but the performance standards of all cancers.

Our commitment is to continue to provide care consistent with evidenced based protocols and standards of care, providing the best opportunity for survival and quality of life in every patient we are honored to serve.

