



Long-term Complications After Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation

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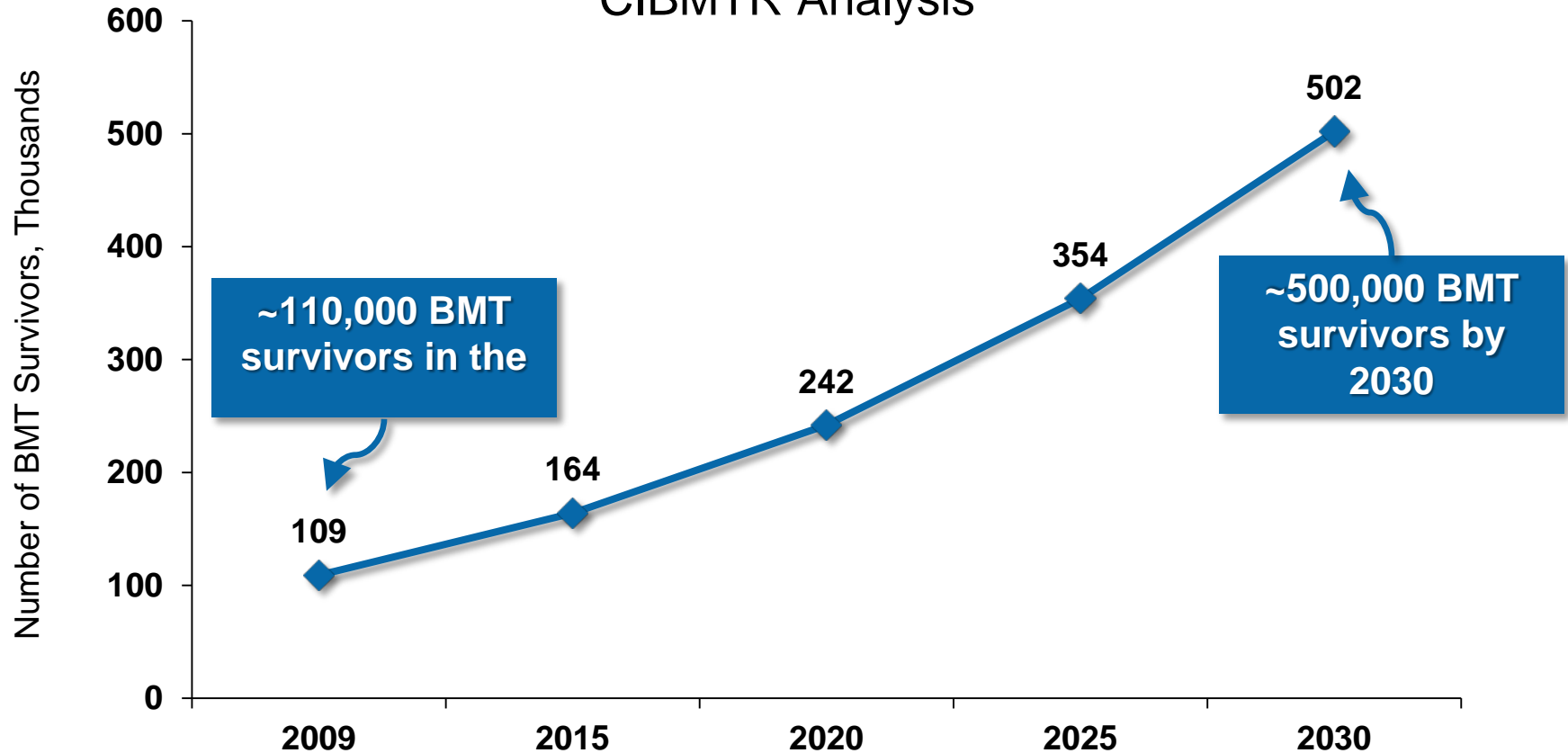
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Objectives

- **What are late effects of hematopoietic cell transplantation (HCT)**
- **How to screen and prevent late effects of HCT**
- **How to care for HCT survivors**
- **What are unmet needs and gaps in literature**

Number of HCT Survivors Is Increasing

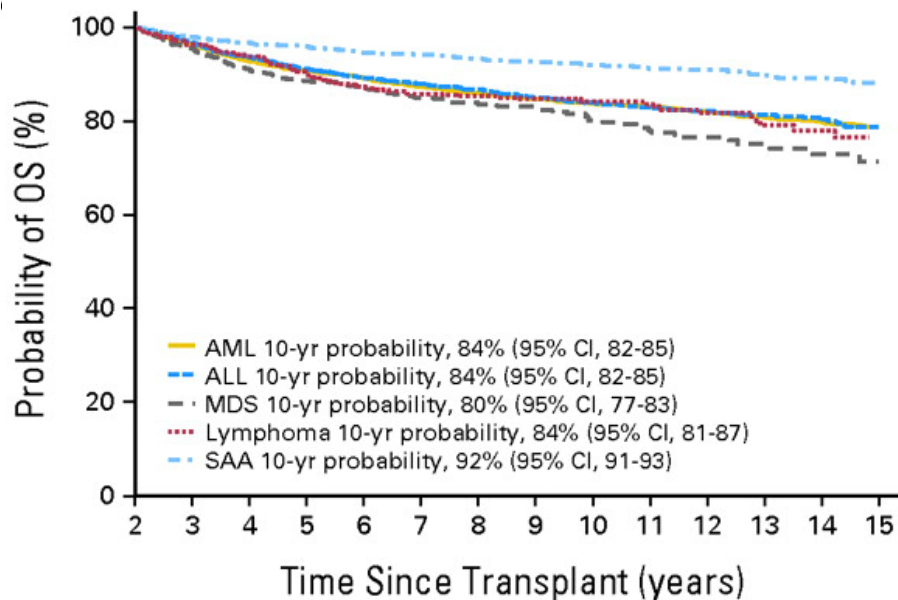
Estimated Number of HCT Survivors in the United States, 2009-2030
CIBMTR Analysis



Long-term Survival After HCT

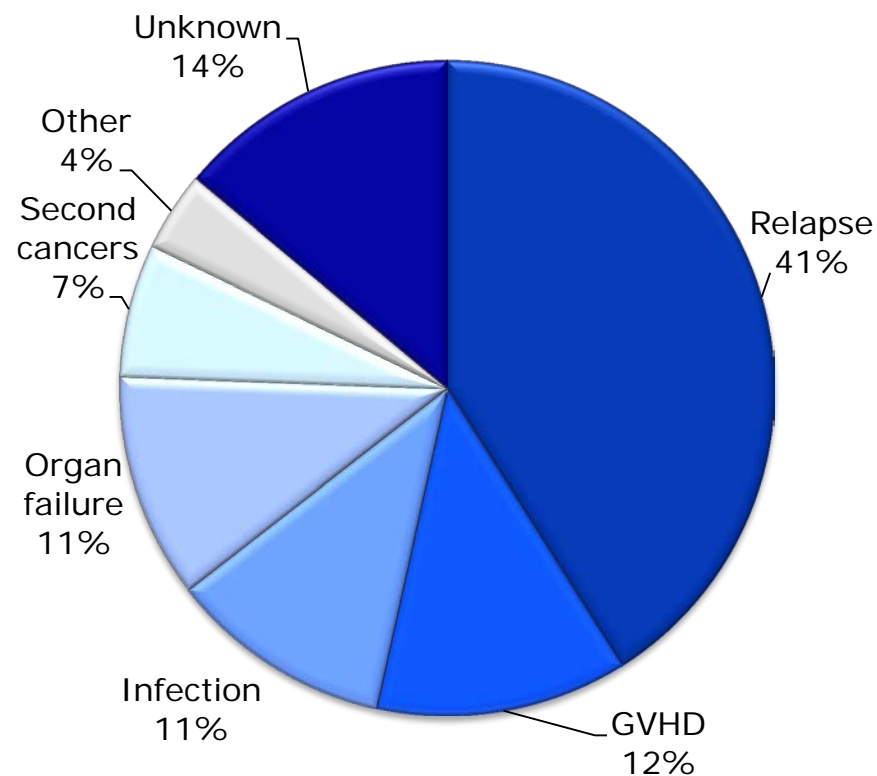
- 10,632 allo HCT recipients surviving ≥ 2 years in remission

Overall survival



Long-term Survival After HCT

- Causes of death, ≥ 2 year survivors of allogeneic HCT
- Chronic GVHD consistent risk factor for mortality in all disease types
- Relative mortality higher than age-, gender-matched general population at 15 years



Late Complications

- **Complications that occur late (months to years) after HCT**
 - **HCT exposures contribute to their risk**
- **Late complications**
 - **Organ toxicity**
 - **Infections**
 - **Secondary cancers**
 - **Growth and development issues**
 - **Sexual and fertility issues**
 - **Psychosocial and QOL issues**

Late Organ Dysfunction

- **Neurologic – cognitive dysfunction, neuropathy**
- **Eye – sicca syndrome, cataracts**
- **Oral – xerostomia, caries**
- **Pulmonary – bronchiolitis obliterans**
- **Cardiovascular – coronary artery disease, metabolic syndrome, cardiomyopathy**
- **Liver – iron overload, hepatitis**
- **Kidney – HTN, chronic kidney disease**
- **Bone – osteoporosis, avascular necrosis**
- **Endocrine – hypothyroidism, growth disturbance**

Late Infections

- **Increased risk for infections in patients with delayed immune reconstitution (e.g., chronic GVHD, prolonged steroid exposure)**
 - **Encapsulated bacteria**
 - **CMV, VZV**
 - **Aspergillus, PCP**
- **International consensus guidelines for prevention of early and late infections**
 - **Recommendations for vaccinations in transplant recipients**

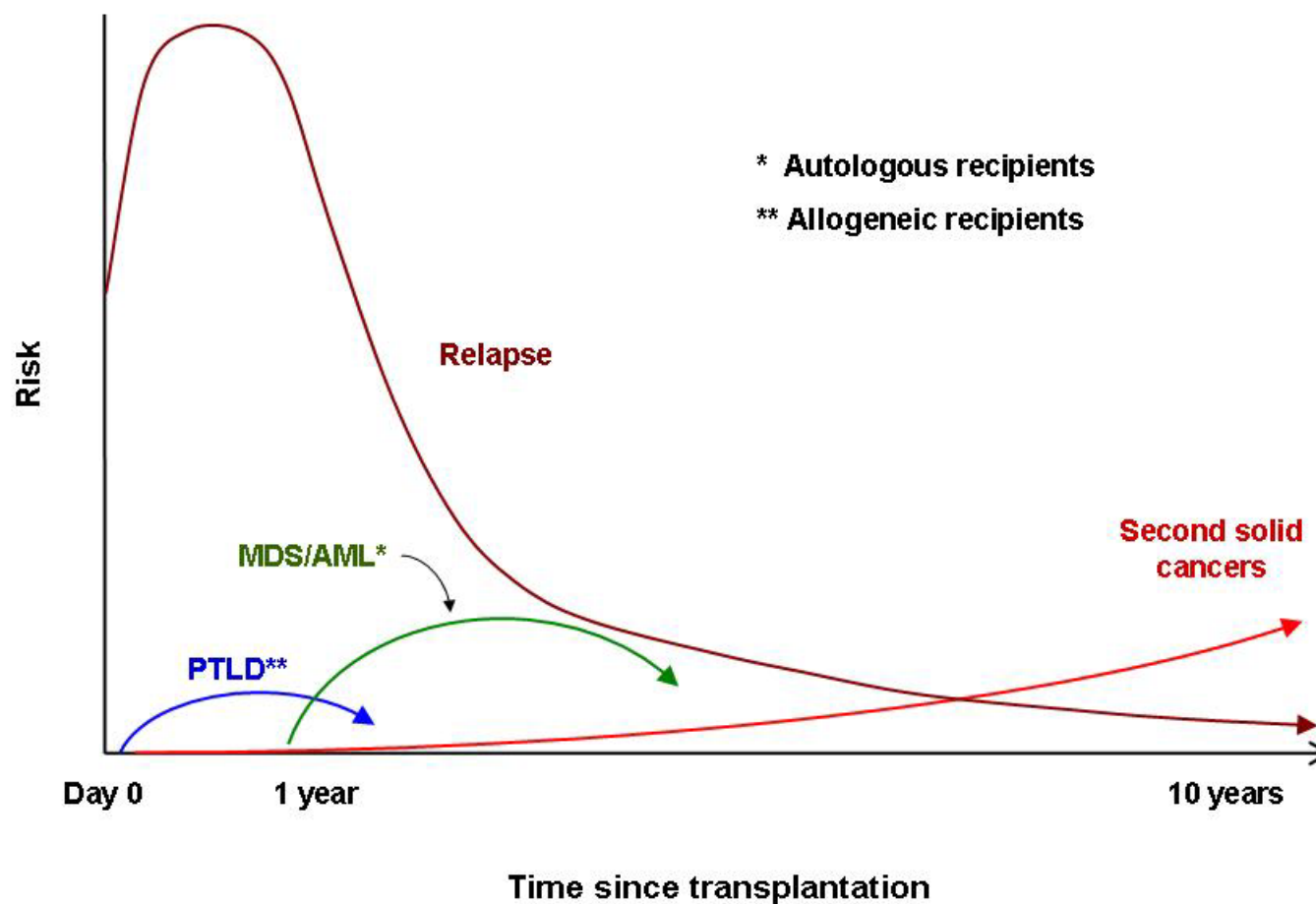
Vaccination Guidelines

Vaccine	Recommended for use after HCT	Time post-HCT to initiate vaccine	No. of doses
Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV)	Yes	3-6 months	3-4
Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis	Yes	6-12 months	3
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> conjugate	Yes	6-12 months	3
Meningococcal conjugate	Follow general population recommendations	6-12 months	1
Inactivated polio	Yes	6-12 months	3
Recombinant hepatitis B	Follow general population recommendations	6-12 months	3
Inactivated influenza	Yearly	4-6 months	1-2
Measles-mumps-rubella (live)	Measles: All children and seronegative adults	24 months	1-2

Secondary Cancers

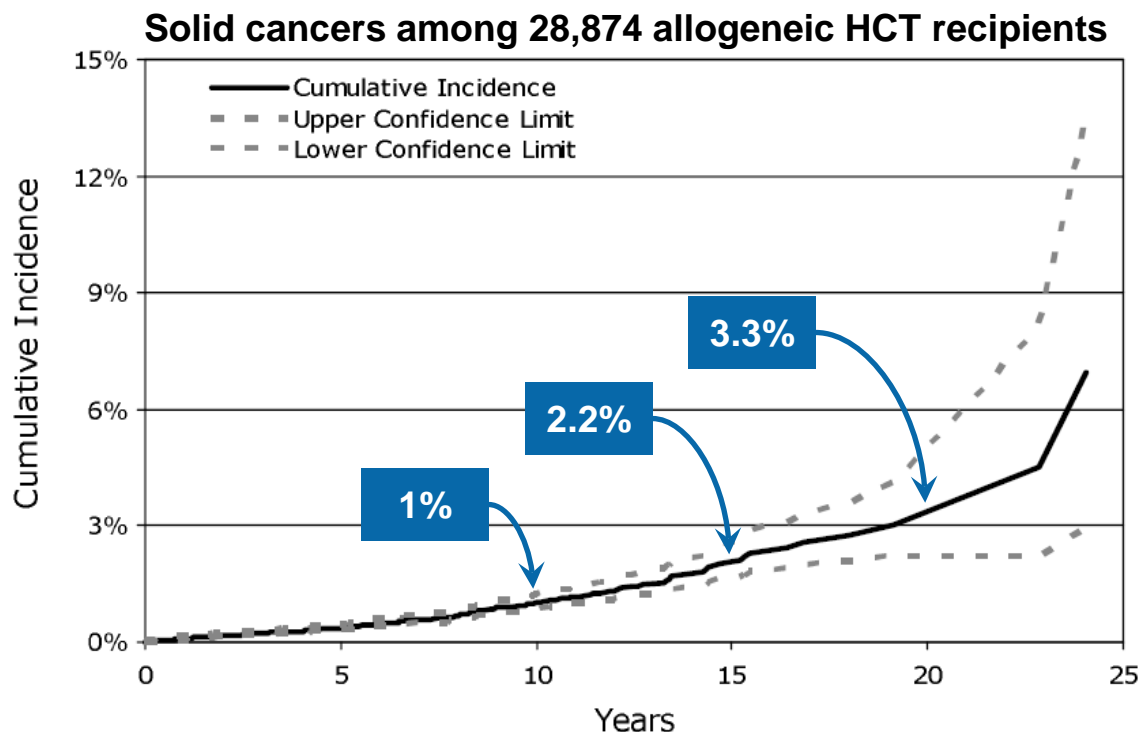
- **Cancers that occur after transplant**
 - **Different from the cancer for which transplant was performed**
 - **Cancer treatments may cause them or increase their risk**
- **Types of second cancers**
 - **Post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorders (PTLD)**
 - **MDS/AML**
 - **Solid cancers**

Secondary Cancers



Secondary Solid Cancers

- Latency period of 3-5 yrs, incidence increases with time
 - ~1-2% at 5 yrs, ~1-6% at 10 yrs, ~2-15% at 15 yrs after HCT
 - Absolute risk is low, but is higher than general population



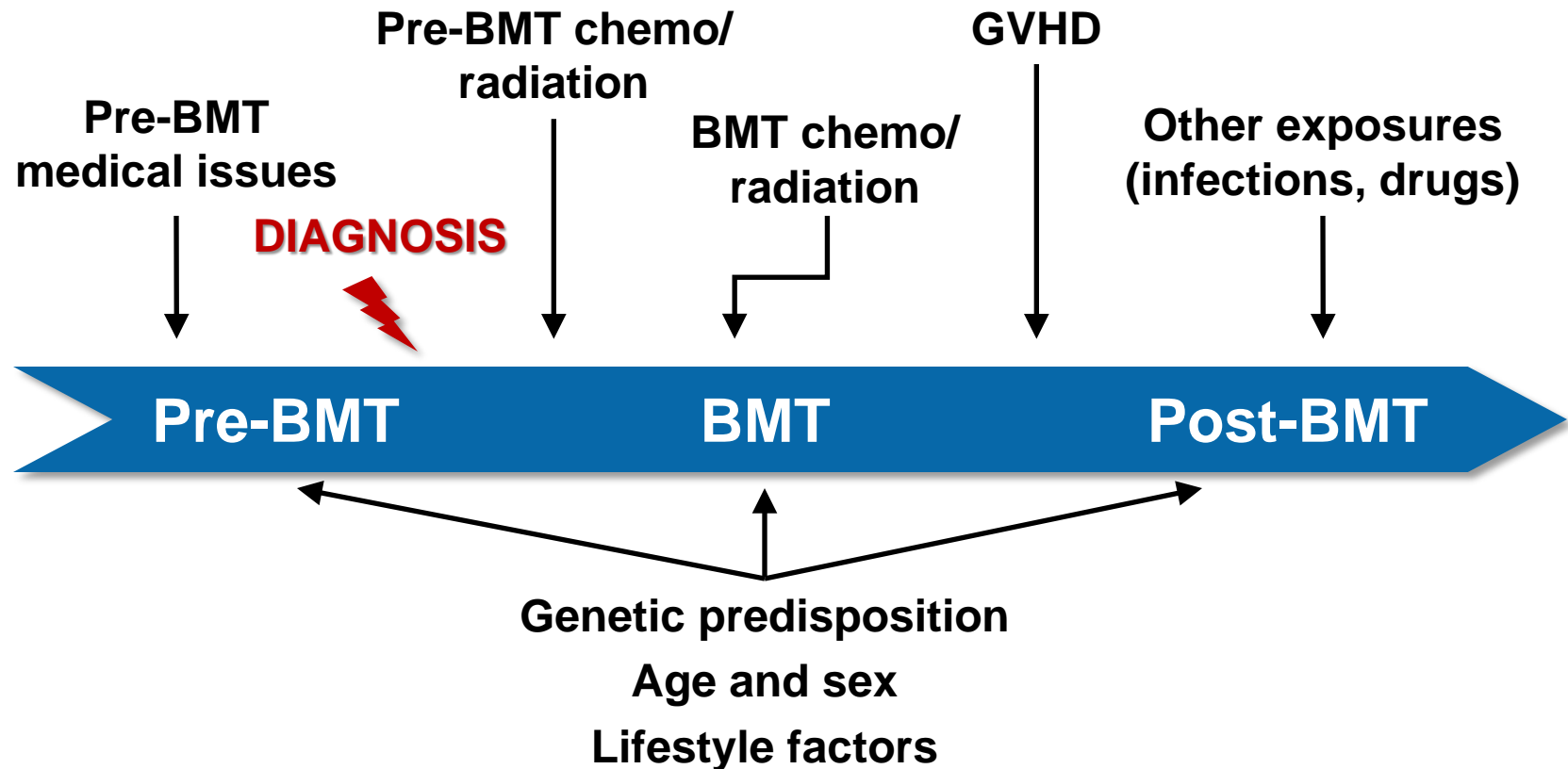
Quality of Life After HCT

- **Affects all domains of QOL**
 - **Autologous HCT - Lowest at ~2 weeks, returns to baseline by 3 months to 1 year**
 - **Allogeneic HCT - Lowest at ~4 weeks, returns to baseline by 3 months to 1 year in absence of GVHD**
 - **Patients with chronic GVHD have persisting QOL deficits**
- **Continued long-term impairments compared to healthy controls**
- **QOL impairments and psychosocial issues in caregivers**

Exposures Mediate Late Organ Toxicity

- **Chronic GVHD**
 - **Dry eye, caries, xerostomia, bronchiolitis obliterans, genitourinary issues**
 - **Squamous cell cancers (skin, oral cavity, tongue and oro-pharynx)**
- **Exposure to corticosteroids**
 - **Osteoporosis, HTN, kidney disease, myopathy**
- **TBI**
 - **Coronary artery disease, caries, dry eye, cataracts, endocrine dysfunction**
 - **Non-squamous cell cancers (breast)**

Risk Factor Based Approach To Survivorship Care

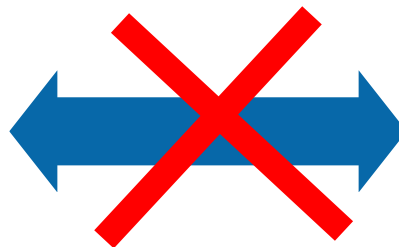


Individualized Survivor Care

**LONG TERM
EFFECTS ARE
NOT SAME**



10 year old with Fanconi anemia treated with sibling donor BMT and no GVHD



60 year old with acute leukemia treated with unrelated donor BMT and has GVHD

Long-term Followup Guidelines

Recommended Screening and Preventive Practices for Long-Term Survivors after Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation

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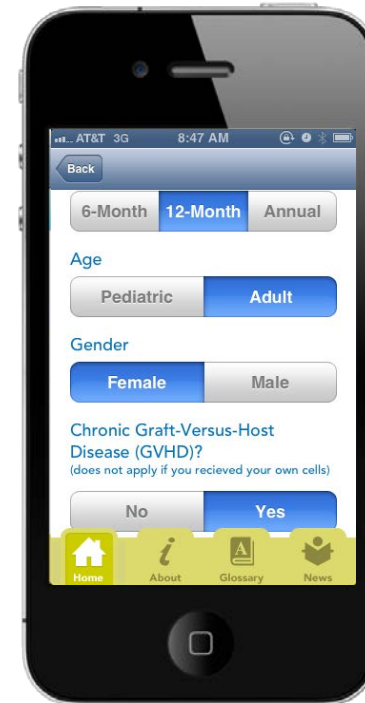
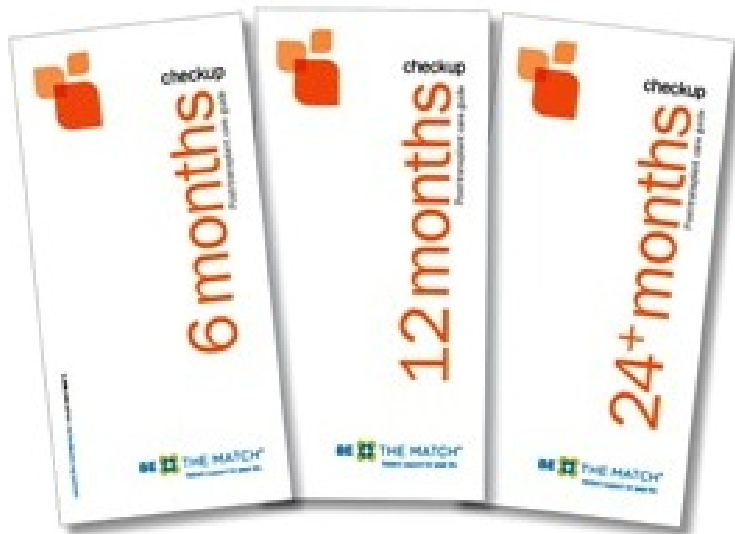
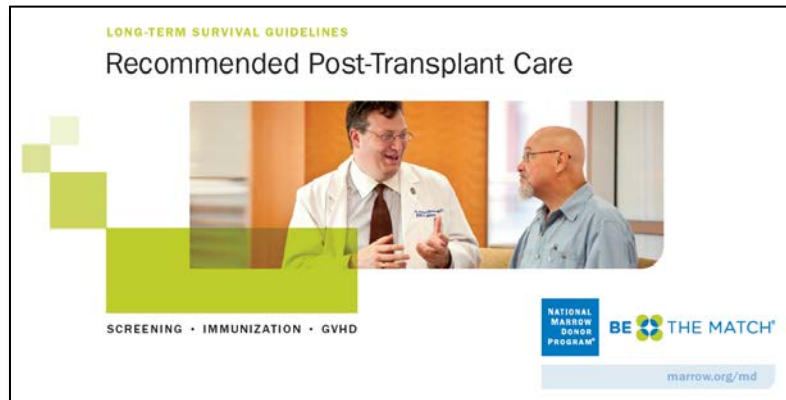
Organ Systems/Issues Considered

- Immune system
- Ocular
- Oral
- Respiratory
- Cardiac and vascular
- Liver
- Renal and genitourinary
- Muscle and connective tissue
- Skeletal
- Nervous system
- Endocrine
- Mucocutaneous
- Second cancers
- Psychosocial and sexual
- Fertility
- General health issues
- Healthy lifestyle

Example: Oral Complications

- **All HCT recipients**
 - Educate about preventive oral health and dental maintenance
 - Counsel to avoid smoking and chewing tobacco, avoid intraoral piercing
 - Clinical oral evaluation at 6 mo, 1 yr and then yearly
 - Dentist or oral medicine specialist evaluation at 1 yr and then yearly
- **Pediatric recipients**
 - Assessment of teeth development
- **Chronic GVHD patients**
 - Clinical oral evaluation every 6 mo
 - More frequent dentist or oral medicine specialist consultations may be considered

Resources Based on Guidelines



Physicians: www.bethmatchclinical.org

Patients: www.bethmatch.org

Caring For HCT Survivors

Challenges: Lost in Transition

- **Patients**
 - Distance from transplant center
 - Socio-demographic and economic barriers
 - Complex medical issues, not aware of risks
- **Providers**
 - Competing priorities, knowledge, comfort level, limited resources
- **Transplant centers**
 - Limited resources, competing priorities
- **Healthcare system**
 - Coverage for survivor care
 - Care coordination

Elements Of Patient Centered Survivorship Care

- **Surveillance for disease recurrence**
- **Surveillance, prevention and treatment of late complications**
- **Screening and prevention of second cancers**
- **Routine health maintenance**
- **Health promotion and education**
- **Psychosocial support**
- **Rehabilitation**
- **Financial counseling**
- **Reintegration into society (return to work/school)**

Care Delivery For HCT Survivors

- **Empower patients**
- **Leverage technology**
- **Partnership and care coordination among BMT Program and other healthcare providers**
- **Follow guidelines**
- **Treatment summary and survivorship care plan**
 - **Details of cancer type, treatments, side effects**
 - **Timing and content of recommended followup**
 - **Recommendations for preventive practices**
 - **Address psychosocial services**

Research Priorities For HCT Survivorship

NIH Blood and Marrow Transplant Late Effects Consensus Conference

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- **Multi-stakeholder initiative**
- **Goal: Identify HCT survivorship research priorities**
- **Steering committee + six working groups**
 - **Research methodology and study design**
 - **Subsequent neoplasms**
 - **Patient centered outcomes**
 - **Immune dysregulation and pathobiology**
 - **Cardiovascular disease and associated risk factors**
 - **Health care delivery**

Working Group	Scope
Research methodology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Methodological challenges across HCT survivor research - Historical transplantation strategies in retrospective analysis - Database/biospecimen requirements for survivorship studies
Subsequent neoplasms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Magnitude of risk for subsequent neoplasm - Subsequent neoplasm pathogenesis, transplant- and nontransplant-related risk factors and outcomes
Patient centered outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - QOL dimensions affected by HCT (physical, psychological, environmental, social, adherence, health behaviors) - Interventions tested to improve these outcomes - Methodological issues that restrict progress in this field
Immune dysregulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trends in late infections among HCT survivors - Immune reconstitution in the laboratory setting - Interventions to improve immune function
Cardiovascular disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arterial disease - Cardiac dysfunction - Cardiovascular risk factors
Health care delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Healthcare delivery models - Coverage and value



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Summary

- **HCT survivors (1-2 years+) have high probability of long-term survival**
 - **At risk for late complications/non-relapse mortality**
- **Several challenges to providing optimal care**
 - **Care has to be personalized**
- **Need innovative models of care**
 - **Empower patients**
 - **Partnership b/w transplant centers & other providers**
- **Guidelines are a tool for providing clinical care**
- **Survivorship care needs to be individualized**