

The Oncology Care Model

A path to high-quality, better-coordinated cancer care



The Need

Cancer is one of the most devastating diseases as more than 1.6 million people in the United States are diagnosed with cancer each year. A high percentage of those diagnosed with cancer are over 65 years old and receive Medicare. Each year, cancer is responsible for the death of an estimated 600,000 Americans.



The Client

The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services Innovation Center (CMMI) is furthering its goals of improved quality of care at the same or lower cost through an innovative oncology payment model, the Oncology Care Model (OCM).



The Solution

Telligen, in partnership with RTI International, provides expertise and centralized support for OCM. Under the model, physician practices participate in financial and performance accountability payment arrangements surrounding cancer care. OCM currently serves about 130 participating chemotherapy centers and practices that range in size from solo oncologists to large practices.

Telligen supports OCM by:

- Assisting participants through technical support
- Developing quality measure specifications to meet the needs of OCM participants
- Defining specifications for oncology-specific staging and clinical data collection
- Providing clinical expertise to support data collection
- Monitoring participants for successful compliance with program requirements

OCM is a 6-year value-based care model that began on July 1, 2016 and runs through June 30, 2022.

To learn more about Telligen's program implementation and monitoring services, [contact Bruce Grotenhuis](#).

Accomplishments

From Certified Tumor Registrars to Oncology Certified Nurses, Telligen's subject-matter experts have more than 30 years of oncology experience. We understand the challenges in oncology data collection, and we're dedicated to providing innovative solutions.

During our time supporting OCM, we've:

- Aided 195 practices through technical assistance, direct support, and education
- Provided expertise to identify possible treatment and cost-driven clinical factors
- Guided CMS and practices in collecting oncology-specific quality measure data, staging and clinical data to support the model
- Supported EHR and oncology data vendors assisting practices with data collection
- Validated practice compliance with program requirements, including verifying compliance documentation with clinical guidelines, accurate quality and staging data reporting and other key model requirements

