



Do you have cancer (any form of solid tumor) that has been newly diagnosed, and a new prescription for cancer medication?

If so, you may be able to participate in this new research study.

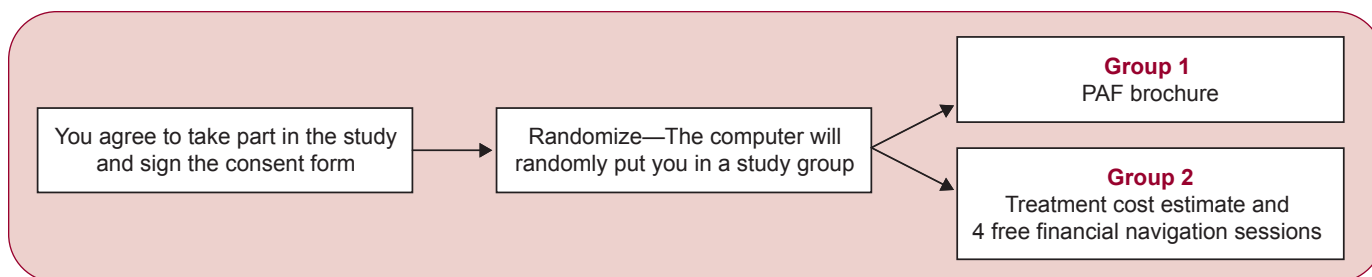
Cost Communication and Financial Navigation in Cancer Patients

WHY consider participating in this study?

- Research studies are an important way to test the effectiveness of new approaches for supporting patients being treated for cancer.
- The usual approach for patients who are not in a study is to find out how much their cancer medication costs after undergoing treatment and receiving a bill. Furthermore, financial counseling may not be routinely offered to all patients.
- In EAQ222CD/CostCOM, all patients will be offered financial counseling and some will get an estimate of how much they'll have to pay for cancer treatment before starting their treatment.
 - This study aims to find out if providing this level of support can make it easier for patients to stick to their treatment plan and lower the financial stress that comes with cancer treatment.

WHAT does this study involve?

- If you decide to take part in this study, you will be assigned by chance (randomized) to one of two groups. Both groups will receive the usual approach that is offered by the cancer clinic. You will have an equal chance of being in Group 1 or Group 2.
 - **Group 1:** You will receive a brochure with information about the Patient Advocate Foundation (PAF). The PAF is a non-profit organization that provides free financial counseling. They also help patients sign up for financial assistance programs, if needed.
 - » If you are in this group, you can contact the PAF using the information in the brochure.
 - **Group 2:** You will be asked to provide a copy of your health insurance card(s) and will be scheduled for 4 free one-on-one financial navigation sessions with a financial counselor. These sessions are up to 1 hour each (depending on your need), and are set up by TailorMed Medical Inc., a company that provides price transparency and financial counseling.
 - » During these sessions, the counselor will go over your health insurance details and will give you an estimate of how much your medication will cost out-of-pocket. The counselor will also help you find and sign up for financial assistance programs.
 - » The financial counseling sessions will occur when you first join the study, and at 3, 6, and 12 months after joining. You can choose to have these sessions over the phone or through video conference calls.
 - You will be asked to complete a 5-minute survey after each financial counseling session.



- Participants in both groups will be asked to fill out surveys 4 times: at study enrollment, then 3, 6, and 12 months after joining EAQ222CD/CostCOM.
 - Each survey will take around 45 to 60 minutes and can be completed online or on paper. You do not have to answer any questions that make you uncomfortable.
- The total time on study will be 12 months. However, you can decide to stop taking part in EAQ222CD/CostCOM at any time, even after you have enrolled.

WHO will take part in this study?

- Approximately 720 people with any type or stage of solid cancer diagnosed within the past 120 days will take part in EAQ222CD/CostCOM. In order to participate in the study, you must:
 - Be 18 years of age or older
 - Be able to answer surveys and interact with the study team in English or Spanish
 - Have started oral or intravenous (IV) cancer medication since diagnosis, or will be starting the medication within 30 days of joining EAQ222CD/CostCOM

WHAT are the costs of taking part in this study?

- There is no medical care or testing being given as part of EAQ222CD/CostCOM, and there are no expected costs to you for taking part in the study (including the financial counseling sessions, which are provided for free).
 - Participating in EAQ222CD/CostCOM shouldn't change anything about how you normally receive treatment for your cancer. Please note that the cost of your cancer care and treatment medication is not covered by the study.
- Participants will receive a gift card valued at \$10 at completion of the first survey, \$15 for the second survey (at 3 months), \$20 for the third survey (at 6 months), and \$25 for the fourth survey (at 12 months).

IF you would like to know more

- About the EAQ222CD/CostCOM study, talk with your doctor, or:
 - Visit www.ecog-acrin.org and search EAQ222CD, then select the link to EAQ222CD Page.
 - » If you are seeking information about the locations where the study is available, scroll down the page to Location and Contacts and click the + sign.
 - Call the NCI Cancer Information Service at 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237).
- General cancer information: visit the NCI website at www.cancer.gov
- About ECOG-ACRIN:
 - Visit www.ecog-acrin.org
 - For a list of patient resources and links to patient advocacy groups, visit <https://ecog-acrin.org/patients/resources>

