

Must the program review all elements of evaluation and treatment (not just one aspect of care)?

Yes, please see the five required elements that must be part of the in-depth analysis on page 68 of the 2020 Standards manual.

Does the standard require both an evaluation of the diagnostic process and a determination about the first course of treatment?

Both are required. Please see the five required elements that must be part of the in-depth analysis on page 68 of the 2020 Standards manual.

How many patients are to be included in the review?

All patients of the chosen patient population must be reviewed up to a maximum of 100 cases.

Where is the information for

If a goal is reported complete at the first status update to the committee, must there be a second update?

This would be acceptable only if the goal is 100% complete. Keep in mind that goals set by the committee should be substantive enough to last approximately one year.

Is it mandatory to set goal at the first quarter meeting or can we set it by the second quarter?

It is strongly recommended that goals be established at the first quarter cancer committee meeting, but it is acceptable to set the goal at the second quarter meeting as long as subsequent status updates are given within the same calendar year.