

Example 2: Nominee 22	Open-Ended Response
<p>The CLP should play an essential role in upholding the Commission on Cancer Standards. Please explain in 250 words or less how your CLP has helped educate your program's Cancer Committee members about these standards, and their role if any, in meeting the standards</p>	<p>Nominee 22 prides himself in being well-versed in the COC standards and regularly educates physicians on the standards at cancer committee meetings, tumor board, physician leadership meetings, and even at the community advisory board meetings. He has played a vital role in ensuring appropriate compliance and progress towards adoption of the new synoptic operative report standards. He personally has educated many physicians, worked with informatics to make the workflow easy, and then has completed audits of compliance and personally followed up with physicians who are not meeting the standards. As part of his educating the Cancer Committee about the standards, he invests significant time in understanding the "why" behind the standards so that he can facilitate true adoption of the standards, not just compliance. Nominee 22 is intimately involved in quality review, problem identification and solution implementation throughout the cancer program. He routinely presents a brief powerpoint outlining standard updates or providing general education to the group.</p>
<p>An outstanding CLP possesses a clear understanding of the National Cancer Database (NCDB) reporting tools and uses them effectively to assess program performance. Please explain in 250 words or less how your CLP does this.</p>	<p>Nominee 22 has gone far beyond the surface of his role as CLP. He spends countless hours doing chart reviews to find the root cause of areas he feels, through NCDB, CQIP and RCRS reports, that Facility Name and the physicians can possibly perform at a higher level of quality, even though when the performance records show high quality to start with. He then works with providers of all specialties to create solutions for areas of potential improvement. He constantly sets the bar higher for both the medical staff performance and the cancer registry. Nominee 22 reviews the annual CQIP report in detail, looking beyond the quality reporting in the report. He has used areas in the report such as insurance status, in and out mitigation and distance traveled as ways to look further at possible disparities and barriers our patients may have. Nominee 22 is a great resource to the cancer registry for any questions and understands the abilities of the registry reporting, using registry data often and also, discussing the abilities of the registry to other physicians for their reference. For these reasons and many more, Nominee 22 is an amazing and outstanding CLP.</p>
<p>CLPs are tasked with leading Quality Improvement (QI) initiatives at their cancer programs. Please explain in 250 words or less how your CLP is a leader in this area and works with the cancer teams and program leadership to implement QI initiatives.</p>	<p>Nominee 22 takes the lead on nearly all our QI initiatives. He is key to recruiting other physicians to be involved and engaged. He actively solicits feedback about areas of improvement and often takes significant time to comb through data, research best practices, conduct interviews of all stakeholders, and then finally facilitate discussion that leads to a strong solution that all physicians can buy into. Nominee 22 stays up to date on cancer care publications and translates that knowledge into reviews of our performance data to see if there is a quality improvement opportunity. Nominee 22 is the liaison between all cancer care physicians and excels at facilitating discussion with these groups about opportunities to improve the care provided to our patients.</p>
<p>Is your CLP involved in regional cancer-related activities? Examples would include participation in local cancer consortium activities, state advocacy and regional meetings in their specialty. If yes, please provide additional details in 250 words or less.</p>	<p>Nominee 22 is an active member of the State name Cancer Consortium and has given presentations at state-wide meetings several times. He also hosts a podcast, Podcast Name, to generate public interest and awareness about cancer related topics. Nominee 22 regularly speaks with community organizations about cancer prevention and awareness topics. Nominee 22 also serves on the board of the community organization Above and Beyond Cancer. Finally, he has participated in the ACS lobby day at the state capital.</p>
<p>Please provide an example of how the nominee identifies and brings forward specific issues to the Cancer Committee that have resulted in changes that improved patient care (250 words or less).</p>	<p>Per Nominee 22, issues or concerns raised at other provider, cancer program or tumor board meetings throughout the quarter are added to the Cancer Committee meeting agenda for review and/or discussion. If a gap or deficiency is noted, work begins with a small working group, which Nominee 22 facilitates, to outline the problem and attempt to find solutions to bring back to the committee for evaluation and implementation. Past examples include: enhanced facilitation, communication and participation of the various tumor boards; advocacy for increased genetic testing referrals for prostate, pancreatic and ovarian cancer patients; and a standardized workup pathway for lung cancer patients that resulted in a decreased time between diagnosis and treatment. Another example was the elevated attention given to liver cancers. Upon reviewing the trending uptick in diagnoses, Nominee 22 coordinated the Committee's annual report which included education for the community on the recent statistics, risk factors and prognosis of liver cancer. Several quality projects have come out of his active participation in the HPB tumor board, including increasing the use of neoadjuvant chemotherapy and most recently a pathway for determining the use of radiopharmaceutical therapy. Finally, Nominee 22 has spearheaded the development and implementation of a prehab clinic. He personally helps review cases and ensures the treating providers are aware of their patient's status and prehab recommendations. Many patients have benefited from this new offering.</p>
<p>Please provide a specific example of how the nominee fosters a strong relationship with the American Cancer Society (250 words or less).</p>	<p>Nominee 22 is a great collaborator in efforts of education to the public about cancer prevention and early detection and his engagement in cancer control activities. He is a champion with ACS priorities and is regularly reached out to by ACS staff when opportunities present. Nominee 22 possesses a passion for health and wellness and is a go-to person for the ACS liaisons. When ACS was seeking a health system for an ACS nutrition initiative, Nominee 22 was enthusiastic to participate. In this ever-changing landscape of health care, Nominee 22 is truly Outstanding in his role as Facility Name CLP and collaborator with ACS.</p>
<p>Is there any other information you would like to add that demonstrates ways in which your program's CLP has excelled in the role?</p>	<p>Nominee 22 is extremely committed to the cancer center and its continuous improvement. His enthusiasm is infectious and he is skilled at bridging gaps between providers and facilitating their engagement and participation in a solution. He is approachable by all staff. Many of the cancer center's programs would not be possible or successful without his leadership and dedication.</p>