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NCCN Guidelines Panel: Cutaneous Melanoma

Specific changes:

- 1) On page ME-1, add a third arrow in the flow chart from “Biopsy” to “Melanoma not confirmed” with a new footnote reading:

“If melanoma not confirmed, review risk factors, including consideration of multigene panel testing for hereditary risk, and counsel patient on strategies for melanoma prevention and screening. See [Risk Factors for Melanoma Development \(ME-A\)](#) and [Common Follow-up Recommendations for All Patients \(ME-11\)](#).”

- 2) On page ME-A (RISK FACTORS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SINGLE OR MULTIPLE PRIMARY MELANOMAS), under “Genetic predisposition”:

Add *TERT*, *MITF* and *PTEN* to the list of genes predisposing to melanoma in the first sub-bullet.

Add renal and breast cancer to the list of relevant family history malignancies and add citation 3 for the second sub-bullet.

- 3) On page ME-11 (COMMON FOLLOW-UP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ALL PATIENTS), under the last bullet (pertaining to multigene testing):

Add the following sentence to the first sub-bullet – “Multigene panel testing that includes *CDKN2A* is also recommended for all patients if they have a first-degree relative diagnosed with pancreatic cancer (see NCCN Guidelines for [Genetic/Familial High-Risk Assessment: Breast, Ovarian, and Pancreatic](#)).”

Add *PTEN* to the list of genes in the second sub-bullet.

Rationale:

Regarding #1 – The proposed additional outcome and footnote will clarify that patients in whom melanoma is not diagnosed after biopsy of a suspicious lesion may still be at increased risk due to clinical and/or genetic factors, and may therefore benefit from genetic testing and information regarding strategies for melanoma prevention and screening.

Regarding #2 – *TERT* and *MITF* are already included in the list of genes related to hereditary melanoma risk on page ME-11. *PTEN* has also been established as a hereditary melanoma risk gene. Renal cancer is associated with germline mutations in *TERT*, *MITF* and *PTEN*. Breast cancer is associated with mutations in *BRCA2* and *PTEN*. Breast and renal cancer are already included as relevant cancers on page ME-11.

Regarding #3 – The cited NCCN panel, as well as other professional groups, recommends multigene panel testing, including *CDKN2A*, for first-degree relatives of pancreatic cancer patients who were themselves not tested. If *PTEN* is added to the list of genes on page ME-A, it should also be added to the list on page ME-11.

Cited Literature:

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