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NCCN Foundation® Young Investigator Award (YIA) winner, 2012

In 2012, Dr. Denlinger was one of four young researchers selected from a highly competitive pool of applicants for her study of doctors' adherence to survivorship recommendations within the NCCN Clinical Practice Guidelines in Oncology (NCCN Guidelines®) for Colorectal and Lung Cancers. After studying 19 Philadelphia-area practices, Dr. Denlinger and her colleagues found that physicians in the area were not following the NCCN Guidelines®. To increase awareness, Dr. Denlinger initiated educational programs for the physicians, after which they began to follow survivorship recommendations.

"Receiving the NCCN Foundation YIA grant equipped me to execute my research illustrating the importance of and continued need for effective survivorship care in oncology. The results of my study illustrate the need for supportive care of the 'whole' patient, even after diagnosis and treatment. My experience as a YIA grantee has exposed me to speaking and presentation opportunities among the nation's most respected oncologists and allowed me to collaborate with my esteemed group of YIA peers." - Crystal Denlinger, MD, FACP

About Dr. Denlinger

- ▶ **Study title:** "Adherence to NCCN Survivorship Guidelines in Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer (NSCLC) and Colorectal Cancer".
- ▶ **Presented:** 2014 ASCO Annual Meeting. NCCN 19th & 20th Annual Conferences (2014 & 2015).
- ▶ **NCCN appointments:** Chair, NCCN Guidelines Panel for Survivorship; Member, NCCN Guidelines Panels for Esophageal and Esophagogastric Junction and Gastric Cancers; Member, JNCCN—Journal of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network Editorial Board.

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