



UPSTATE CAROLINA

Connector

October 2019

Upcoming Events



Fall Meeting
Chicago
October 2-5



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Chicago
November 7-9

Issue Highlights

- **URCC NCORP Annual Conference**
- **Credits and Accruals**
- **CCDR Connections**
- **Members in the Media**



A program of the National Cancer Institute of the National Institutes of Health



URCC NCORP Annual Meeting

...Welcomed...Appreciated...Included...Informed...Satiated...

These are just a few of the words used by Upstate Carolina NCORP's attendees to describe their experience at URCC NCORP's Annual Research Base Meeting. Held in the beautiful city of Rochester, NY, URCC's annual meeting allows participants to learn first-hand about potential concepts, new protocols, and ongoing trials directly from the PI's and staff who developed them.

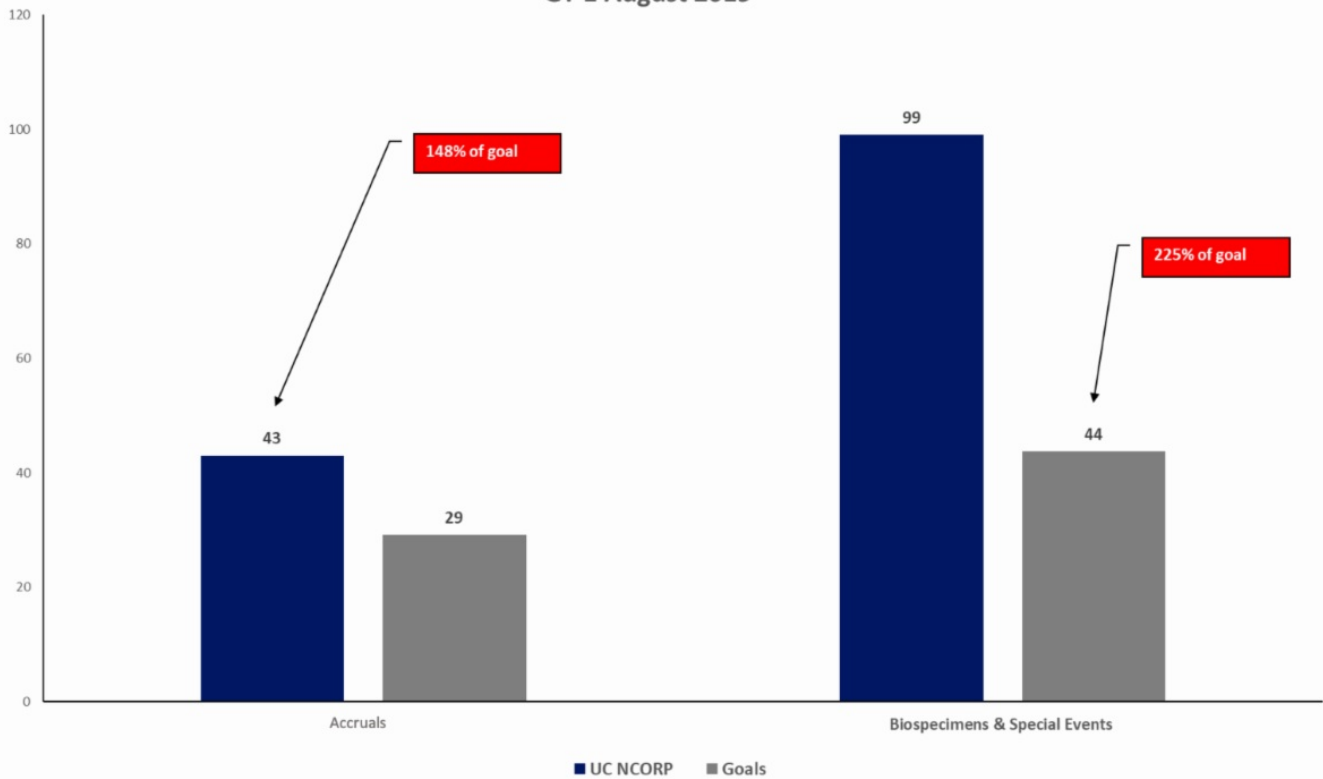
Chaired by Gary Morrow, PhD. and Karen Mustian, PhD., the meeting provided both informative and interactive sessions on studies and concepts that utilize novel interventions to alleviate some of the negative side effects of cancer and cancer treatment. Building on previous successful studies, these researchers seek to improve quality of life for those diagnosed with cancer.

Funded by the NCI continuously since 1983, URCC Research Base focuses exclusively on Cancer Control and Cancer Control Delivery Research. According to URCC, their purpose is to "facilitate the development, conduct, quality assurance, monitoring and evaluation of clinical trials in the area of cancer control to community-based institutions participating in the NCI Community Oncology Research Program. The emphasis of this Research Base is to enhance investigator-initiated research."

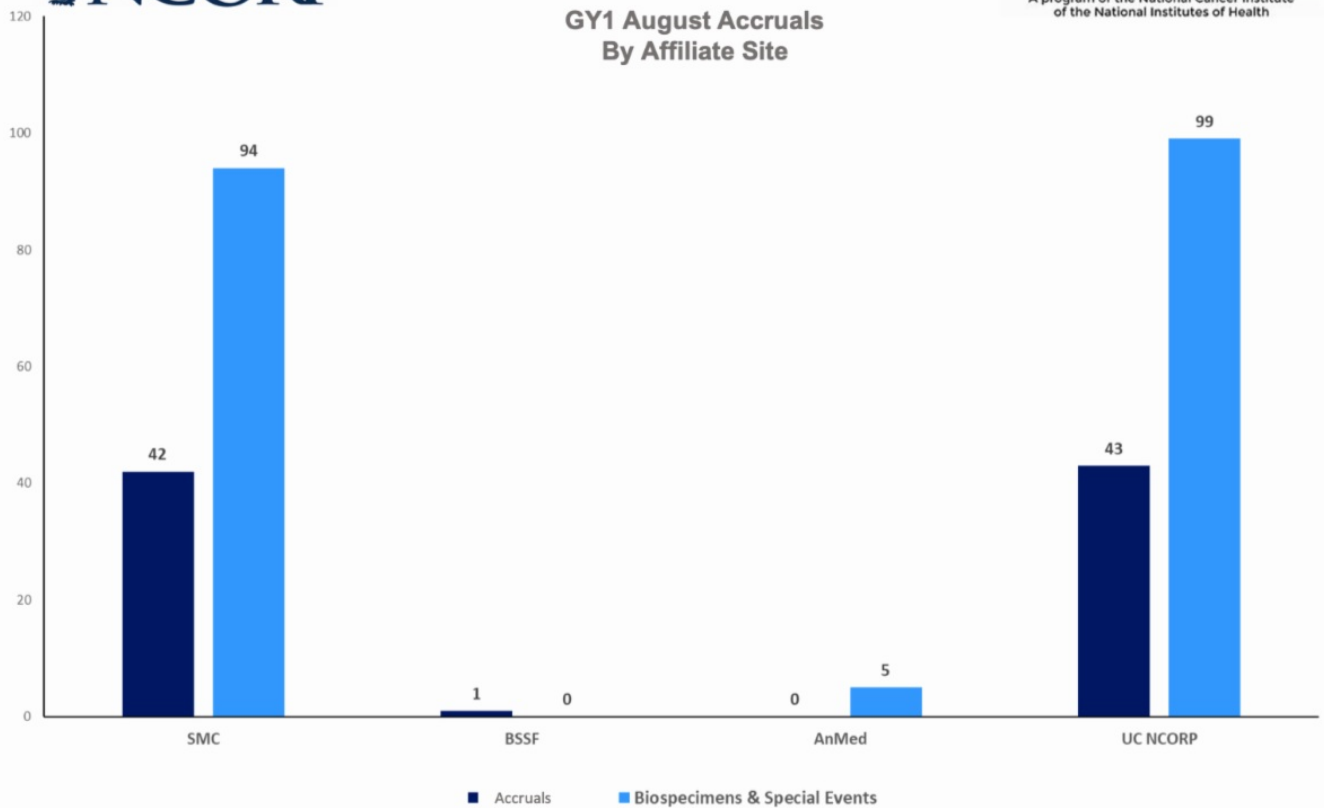
Accruals & Biospecimens-Special Events



NCI Assigned Target Tracking
GY 1 August 2019



**GY1 August Accruals
By Affiliate Site**



CCDR Connections

New Study Open

URCC18110CD

What is ENABLE?

It stands for Educate,
Nurture, Advise Before Life
Ends.

ENABLE is an early palliative care intervention that focuses on 'living well' and fostering patient empowerment, effective communication, informed decision making, and symptom management. It has positive symptom, quality of life, mood, and survival outcomes.

This study is designed to compare the effectiveness of two implementation strategies (Virtual Learning Collaborative vs. Technical Assistance) for the ENABLE

intervention, and to assess which implementation strategy provides the best outcome. The study will follow providers as well as patients.

OPEN CCDR PROTOCOLS	
Alliance	A231602CD: Assessing Financial Difficulty in Blood Cancer
Alliance	A231601CD: Improving Surgical Care & Outcomes in Older Cancer Patients Through Implementation of an Efficient Pre-Surgical Toolkit (OPTI-Surg)
COG	ACCL16N1CD: Documentation and Delivery of Guideline-Consistent Treatment in Adolescent and Young Adult (AYA) Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL) (Greenville & Spartanburg)
ECOG-ACRIN	EAQ161CD: Biomarker Testing in Common Solid Cancers: An Assessment of Current Practices in Precision Oncology in the Community Setting (Spartanburg)
ECOG-ACRIN	EAQ162CD: Longitudinal Assessment of Financial Burden in Patients with Colon or Rectal Cancer Treated with Curative Intent (Anderson & Greenville & Spartanburg)
ECOG-ACRIN	EAQ171CD: Implementing a Virtual Tobacco Treatment in Community Oncology Practices: Smoke Free Support Study 2.0
NRG	NRG-CC007CD: Increasing the Dose Survivorship Care Planning in Prostate Cancer Survivors Who Receive Androgen Deprivation Therapy (Anderson)
Wake Forest	WF 1803: Supportive Care Services for Cancer Caregivers in Community Oncology Practices (Caregivers) (Anderson & Spartanburg)
Wake Forest	WF 1804: Assessing Effectiveness and Implementation of an HER Tool to Assess Heart Health Among Survivors (AH-HA)
Wake Forest	WF 30917CD: A Stepped Care Telehealth Approach to Treat Distress in Rural Cancer Survivors (Spartanburg)
URCC	URCC 18004CD: Understanding the Impact of Drug Shortages on Oncology Care Delivery (Spartanburg-pilot phase)
URCC	URCC18110CD: Implementing Palliative Care: Learning Collaborative VS. Technical Assistance

Members in the Media

First Teen Cancer America Center Opens at Bon Secours St. Francis



Dr. Hal Crosswell speaking during the dedication



Left, Dr. Hal Crosswell and right, Roger Daltrey, pictured with a patient

The first Teen Cancer America Center opened mid-September at Bon Secours St. Francis, "This new facility has four patient rooms, a nurse's station, an open concept lounge with kitchen, an exercise area and a family bathroom." The kickoff was covered by several local news stations and multiple newspapers and a surprise guest was even in attendance; *Roger Daltrey*, lead singer of The Who. Daltrey was able to meet with patients and tour the new facility. This new unit will help close the gap when a patient is older than pediatric care and younger than adult care. *Dr. Hal Crosswell* spoke about this topic during the dedication by highlighting research showing better outcomes and quality of life when there is a designated space for AYA with support services.

Read the full article [here](#).

Media Coverage on Awarding of the Grant

Now that our first grant year has officially kicked off, several of our local media outlets have shared the great news of Upstate Carolina NCORP \$14.4 award. WSPA News 7 and WYFF 4 highlighted NCORP staff in recent news broadcasts. Several area newspapers heralded the continued clinical trial access afforded by the partnership of AnMed Health, Bon Secours St. Francis, and Spartanburg Medical Center in Upstate Carolina.



Read the full articles below or watch the videos:

[WYFF News 4](#)

[WSPA 7](#)

[Greenville News](#)

[GSA Business Report](#)

Q.A. with Kelsey

Please make sure you are following the Consent Form QC Process

1. **Verify all pages present**
2. **Verify correct version on all pages**
3. **Verify Signatures and any required responses (e.g. check boxes, boxes for initials, etc.)**

Upcoming Audits

NRG
ONCOLOGY

NRG Oncology: 11/12/2019-11/13/2019

SWOG CANCER RESEARCH NETWORK

SWOG LungMap: 12/17/2019 (only SRHS sites)

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