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Special Publication Announcement from the National Minority Quality Forum and Sustainable Health Care Quality and Equity, Washington, DC:

A secondary manuscript focused on cancer center of excellence operational practices has been accepted and is now "open access" and available online: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.conctc.2020.100532

An ASCO, Journal of Oncology Practice (JOP) publication\(^1\) received the 2019 JOP editor’s pick award as it was among the 5 most read articles published in 2019 based on the number of downloads and social media activity (#researchforAll). The publication was authored by 24 multiple stakeholders including US cancer center leaders, the FDA, industry leaders and patient and community leaders and was enabled by NMQF’s Diverse Cancer Communities Working Group. The publication rigorously answered the question, “What successful strategies do cancer centers use to optimize accrual of racial and ethnic minority groups into clinical trials?” The open access JOP publication was posted as a featured publication by the following organizations on their websites in 2019: FDA, NCI, American Cancer Society and all 8 cancer centers of excellence. There have been ongoing requests to authors from societies and interested parties for presentations and webinars to continue to learn from the cancer center of excellence leader practices. A secondary manuscript\(^2\) focused on cancer center of excellence operational practices has been published ONLINE today in Contemporary Clinical Trials Communications.

The NMQF and SHC congratulates all Cancer Center of Excellence leaders and authors for this notable and impactful achievement.
