

# MROQC: Initiative for Improving Quality – Patient Participation Guide

Our mission: To improve the quality of radiation therapy through patient-centered care

## What is MROQC?



- MROQC stands for the Michigan Radiation Oncology Quality Consortium.
- It is a program involving many radiation oncology centers across Michigan.
- The goal is to improve the quality of radiation therapy for cancer patients.

## Why Should I Participate?

- Your participation helps us understand how radiation therapy affects you and others.
- By sharing your experience, you help us improve care for future patients.
- Your treatment won't change whether you participate or not.
- Participation is voluntary and free.
- **If You Decline:** We understand and respect your decision, but please consider the benefits of sharing your experience to help others.
- **If You Change Your Mind:** You can also stop participating at any time if you choose.
- **If You're Unsure:** Feel free to ask questions. We're here to help you understand the importance and ease of participating.



## What Happens to My Information?

- Your privacy is very important to us.
- You will be identified by a unique number in our secure database.
- The database is protected by strong security measures.

## What Will I need To Do?

- Complete surveys during your visits: before treatment, during treatment (lung cancer patients only), and during follow-up visits.
- The surveys ask about your pain levels, daily activities, and overall well-being.
- Surveys take about 5-10 minutes to fill out.
- You'll get the survey at the beginning of each visit. For patients receiving treatment for prostate cancer or bone metastasis, surveys can be sent to you by email.
- You can skip any question you don't want to answer and stop participating at any time.
- The information helps doctors understand how treatments affect patients' lives.
- Your responses help us make radiation therapy better and safer for everyone.
- For more information about MROQC visit our website at <https://www.mroqc.org>.