

## **Thyroid Cancer**

Developed by	The Endocrine Society
How developed	The Endocrine Society utilized a task force made up of 5 members with special interest in the area of care coordination and referral process. The task force proposed the conditions for which pertinent data sets would be developed. These were then approved by the Clinical Affairs Core Committee (CACC) with oversight by a member of our Council (Board of Directors).
	The task force members were each assigned one or more of the conditions and developed the items for the PDS. The task force members reviewed these by email and by conference call, discussed as a group and modified them as needed. They were then submitted to the CACC for review and comment, changes were made and then resubmitted for approval with a simple majority vote of the CACC constituting approval.
	As part of the process, the task force referred to the published guidelines on the selected conditions as well as any pertinent choosing wisely recommendations.
Additional essential patient information	<ul> <li>Cytology and/or pathology report</li> </ul>
Additional patient information, if available	<ul> <li>Thyroid function tests: TSH and Free T4</li> <li>Calcium, albumin, 25 OH vitamin D, PTH</li> <li>Thyroglobulin and antithyroglobulin antibodies</li> <li>Operative note if surgery has been performed</li> <li>All imaging studies including ultrasound, nuclear scans, CT scan.</li> </ul>
Alarm symptoms/conditions	<ul> <li>New diagnosis of thyroid cancer and patient has not seen endocrinologist</li> <li>Persistent hypocalcemia following surgery for thyroid cancer</li> <li>Known diagnosis of thyroid cancer with progressive disease</li> <li>Thyroid cancer and pregnancy</li> </ul>
Tests/procedures to avoid prior to consult	None provided
Common rule-outs to consider prior to consults	None provided
Relevant "Choosing Wisely" elements	None provided
Healthcare professional and/or patient resources	Healthcare Professional Information: http://thyroidguidelines.net/revised/differentiated
	Patient Information: http://www.thyroid.org/cancer-of-the-thyroid-gland/ http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/pdq/treatment/thyroid/patient