



# Dedicated To Achieving Health Equity Through Patient Navigation

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## A Message from Your ACS NNRT Executive Leadership



American Cancer Society (ACS) and the American Cancer Society National Navigation Roundtable (ACS NNRT) are excited to share with you news, released on July 13<sup>th</sup> by CMS, regarding a proposal related to patient navigation services. The calendar year (CY) 2024 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule proposed rule includes a proposed policy to create a separate payment for certain services including patient navigation for patients with cancer and other serious illnesses, peer recovery support, and community health integration. This proposed policy is an important first step towards expanding access to patient navigation services.

Here is some additional information on the proposed rule regarding how it strives to advance health equity.

- **CMS Fact sheet**
- **ACS CAN Press release**

As you know, the ACS NNRT is a coalition of over 80 organizations collaborating to advance navigation efforts that eliminate barriers to quality care, reduce disparities, and foster ongoing health equity across the cancer continuum. The aim of the ACS NNRT is to support the creation of a sustainable model for oncology patient navigation to achieve health equity across the continuum of cancer care. The proposed regulations align with the ACS NNRT's aim to provide structure for the profession of navigation as well as fiscal sustainability for patient navigation programs. The Executive Leadership of the ACS NNRT are working closely with ACS and ACS CAN to learn more and will keep you posted as additional information becomes available. ACS in collaboration with the ACS NNRT are committed to playing a leading role moving forward. Learn more at:

- **Press Releases ([cancer.org](https://www.cancer.org))**

We are excited to share this news and look forward to continuing to work with you as this opportunity unfolds.

Please feel free to reach out to any of us with your questions and comments at [nnrt@cancer.org](mailto:nnrt@cancer.org)

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## ACS NNRT General Membership Meeting

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**ACS NNRT 2023 Meeting  
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# ACS NNRT 2023 General Membership Meeting

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**September 14, 2023**

**2:00 pm – 4:00 pm ET**

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The American Cancer Society National Navigation Roundtable (ACS NNRT) was established in 2017. The ACS NNRT is a national coalition of 80 member organizations to advance navigation efforts that eliminate barriers to quality care, reduce disparities, and foster ongoing health equity across the cancer continuum. The American Cancer Society provides organizational leadership and expert staff support to the ACS NNRT.

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