

YOUR PATIENTS MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THEIR RISK OF INFECTION







1.6 million

people in the United States are **diagnosed with cancer** each year

650,000

peoplereceive
chemotherapy

60,000

of those receiving chemo are hospitalized for chemotherapy-induced neutropenia and infection

1 of these patients dies every 2 hours

as a result of this complication

(based on data published in 2005. Caggiano C, et all. Cancer. 2005; 103: 1916-1924.)

Do your patients know they're at risk?

Or, are they among the 104,000 that were not aware of neutropenia?

Or, among the 52,000 that didn't know to call their doctor at the first sign of a fever?



What if they knew more?

A new survey conducted among people with cancer and their caregivers by Cancer*Care*®, the CDC Foundation and Amgen highlights:

- the need for **education** about neutropenia and infection risk
- the value of PreventCancerInfections.org as an evidence-based resource for people receiving chemotherapy and their caregivers

There's help. PreventCancerInfections.org



After visiting **PreventCancerInfections.org**:



of respondents could correctly define neutropenia



9 in 10 respondents recognized the importance of calling their doctor at the first sign of a fever

 the most important action a patient can take to prevent an infection from becoming deadly

DON'T LET YOUR PATIENTS BECOME A STATISTIC ...
SHARE PREVENTCANCERINFECTIONS.ORG WITH THEM TODAY.

Preventing Infections in Cancer Patients is a comprehensive initiative led by CDC and the CDC Foundation to reduce infections in cancer patients. For more information on this topic and to learn more about this program, please visit www.PreventCancerInfections.org.



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