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ELIGIBILITY

CONCURRENT COMPONENTS OF VISIT

Resected pancreatic adenocarcinoma

or

Sporadic neuroendocrine tumor

or

Resected Duodenal/Peri-ampullary cancer

and

≥ 3 years post-treatment and No Evidence of Disease (NED)

SURVEILLANCE

MONITORING FOR LATE EFFECTS

RISK REDUCTION/EARLY DETECTION

PSYCHOSOCIAL FUNCTIONING

Years 3 to 5:

- History and physical every 6-12 months
- CT chest, abdomen, and pelvis with contrast every 6-12 months
- Nutrition evaluation with Registered Dietitian:
 - As clinically indicated if status post distal or central pancreatectomy
 - Every 6-12 months if status post pancreatoduodenectomy (PD) or total pancreatectomy (TP)

Years 5 to 10:

- Annual history and physical
- Annual CT chest, abdomen, and pelvis with contrast or MRI Abdomen with and without contrast - MRCP based on age of patient and genetic history
- Nutrition evaluation with Registered Dietitian:
 - As clinically indicated if status post distal or central pancreatectomy
 - Annually if status post PD or TP

> 10 years:

- Annual history and physical
- Annual MRI Abdomen with and without contrast - MRCP
- Nutrition evaluation with Registered Dietitian annually or as clinically indicated. If status post PD or TP, additional labs with annual visit (see [Appendix A](#))

- Labs: CBC with differential, CMP, HbA1c, CA 19-9 and/or CEA every 6-12 months
 - If status post PD or TP, will need additional labs annually (see [Appendix A](#))
- Bone Density Monitoring (DEXA) baseline at 2 years post-op, then every 2-5 years from baseline or as indicated (see [Appendix B](#))

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 - If status post PD or TP, will need additional labs annually (see [Appendix A](#))
- Bone Density Monitoring as indicated (see [Appendix B](#))

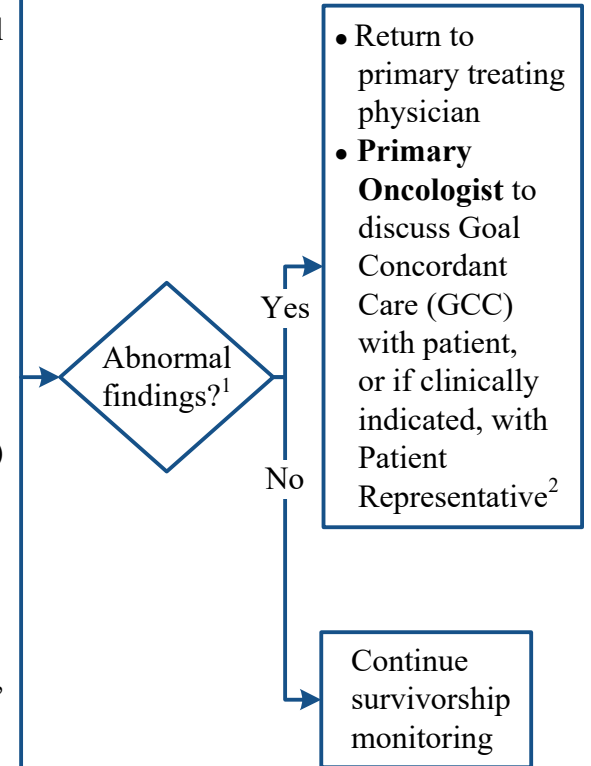
- Labs: CBC with differential, CMP, HbA1c, CA 19-9 and/or CEA annually
- Bone Density Monitoring as indicated (see [Appendix B](#))

CMP = complete metabolic panel
 CA 19-9 = cancer associated antigen 19-9
 CEA = carcinoembryonic antigen
 MRCP = magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography

¹ CA19-9 elevated above normal, new lesions/lymphadenopathy on imaging, imaging findings suggestive of stricture, thrombus, fluid collections, clinical status decline, patient choice with MD review, abnormal physical exam findings

² GCC should be initiated by the **Primary Oncologist**. If Primary Oncologist is unavailable, Primary Team/Attending Physician to initiate GCC discussion and notify Primary Oncologist. Patients, or if clinically indicated, the Patient Representative should be informed of therapeutic and/or palliative options. GCC discussion should be consistent, timely, and re-evaluated as clinically indicated. The Advance Care Planning (ACP) note should be used to document GCC discussion. Refer to [GCC home page](#) (for internal use only).

DISPOSITION



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ELIGIBILITY

CONCURRENT COMPONENTS OF VISIT

DISPOSITION

Resected pancreatic adenocarcinoma
or
 Sporadic neuroendocrine tumor
or
 Resected Duodenal /Peri-ampullary cancer
and
 ≥ 3 years post-treatment and NED

MONITORING FOR LATE EFFECTS

- Monitor for following at each visit:
- Fatigue
 - Weight loss
 - Pancreatic Exocrine Insufficiency (PEI)
 - Nutrient Deficiency
 - Hepaticojejunostomy Anastomotic Strictures
 - Glucose control
 - Peripheral neuropathy
 - Osteoporosis (see [Appendix B](#))
 - Diarrhea

RISK REDUCTION/EARLY DETECTION

- Patient education, counseling, and screening:
- Lifestyle risk assessment^{1,2}
 - Routine cancer screening³ as appropriate per guidelines
 - Consider Vitamin D testing and replacement as clinically indicated
 - HPV vaccination as clinically indicated (see [HPV Vaccination algorithm](#))
 - Screening for Hepatitis B and C as clinically indicated (see [Hepatitis B \(HBV\) Screening and Management](#) and [Hepatitis C \(HCV\) Screening algorithms](#))
 - Consider cardiovascular risk reduction⁴
 - Osteoporosis surveillance (see [Appendix B](#))
 - Genetic screening if not already completed (see [Genetic Counseling algorithm](#))
 - Vaccinations⁵ including Splenectomy Vaccine boosters (see [Asplenia/Hyposplenia – Management of Adult Patients algorithm](#)) as appropriate

PSYCHOSOCIAL FUNCTIONING

- Assess for:
- Distress management (see [Distress Screening and Psychosocial Management algorithm](#))
 - Body image concerns

Refer or consult as indicated

¹ See [Physical Activity](#), [Nutrition](#), and [Tobacco Cessation](#) algorithms; ongoing reassessment of lifestyle risks should be a part of routine clinical practice
² Recommend at least 30 minutes of moderate-intensity activity most days of the week
³ Includes [breast](#), [cervical](#) (if appropriate), [colorectal](#), [liver](#), [lung](#), [pancreatic](#), and [skin cancer](#) screening
⁴ Consider use of Vanderbilt’s [ABCDE’s approach to cardiovascular health](#)
⁵ Based on [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) guidelines](#)

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APPENDIX A: Pancreatoduodenectomy or Total Pancreatectomy labs

- CBC with differential
- PT with INR
- Copper
- Zinc
- Selenium
- Ferritin
- Iron
- Transferrin
- Folate
- Vitamin B6
- Vitamin B12
- Methylmalonic acid
- Vitamin A
- CRP
- Vitamin E
- 25-OH Vitamin D
- Albumin
- HbA1C

PT with INR = Prothrombin Time with INR
 CRP = C-Reactive Protein

APPENDIX B: Bone Density Monitoring

	Patient Population	Frequency of Monitoring
Follow up (based on results)	Normal bone density	Recheck DEXA every 5 years if male or premenopausal; recheck DEXA every 2 years if postmenopausal
	Osteopenia, ≥ 50 years old	Consider medical therapy or referral to bone health specialist based on FRAX Calcula ¹ : if risk of hip fracture is < 3% risk and risk of non-hip fracture is < 20%, recheck DEXA in 2 years. If risk of hip fracture is ≥ 3% or risk of non-hip fracture is ≥ 20%, bone health specialist
	Osteopenia, < 50 years old	Refer to bone health specialist
	Osteoporosis	Refer to bone health specialist

DEXA = dual-energy x-ray absorptionmetry
 PDAC = Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma

¹ FRAX® - Fracture Risk Assessment Tool at www.shef.ac.uk/frax

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