# Palliative Clinical Specialist Radiation Therapist (pCSRT)

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#### What is a CSRT?

Advance
Practice
Radiation
Therapists
possess
the
following
key traits

- 1. Additional knowledge and skills including theoretical content
- 2. Expert clinical and technical practice with increasing complexity in an area of specialization, causing a blurring of professional boundaries
- 3. Integration of theory and use of evidence-based medicine
- Higher level of cognitive functioning, such as critical thinking and analysis with an ability to deconstruct assumptions and rebuild new ways of doing things
- Skills and aptitudes that transcend a particular niche and are transferable to a variety of settings and populations (i.e. can alter function from the individual patient to more system based thinking)
- 6. Enhancement of other aspects of professional practice leadership, scholarship, research, teaching and consultancy
- 7. Autonomy in some aspects of practice

Core Clinical Competencies

Works as a member of the interdisciplinary team to provide optimal care for RT patients:

- at any point in the patient journey
- in a variety of settings (ie. new patients, follow-up, treatment review)
- in person or at a distance (ie. remote consultation, email, telehealth)

Uses advanced oncological, radiobiological and dosimetric knowledge to optimize use of available technology for tailored RT treatment

**Technical Competencies** 

Core

Uses research and evidence-based practice principles to serve as a quality champion, role model, mentor and innovator.

**Professional Competencies** 

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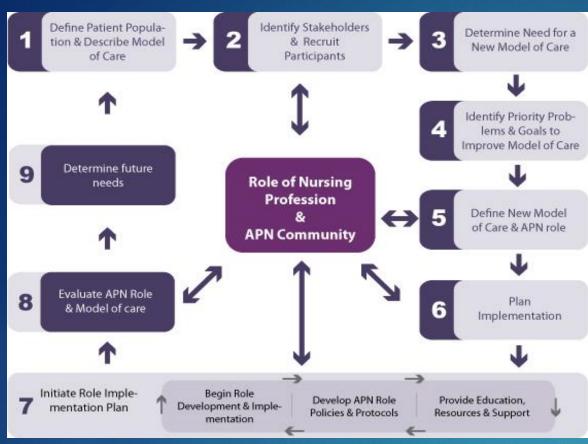
Definition of Advanced Practice

Summary of CSRT Competencies

### Why Palliative Patients?

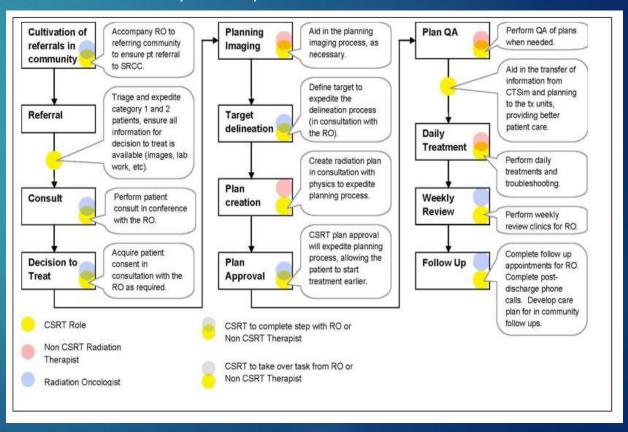
- Increasing age in population
- Extended survival
- Complex Care Needs
- ▶ 23% of WRCC patient population

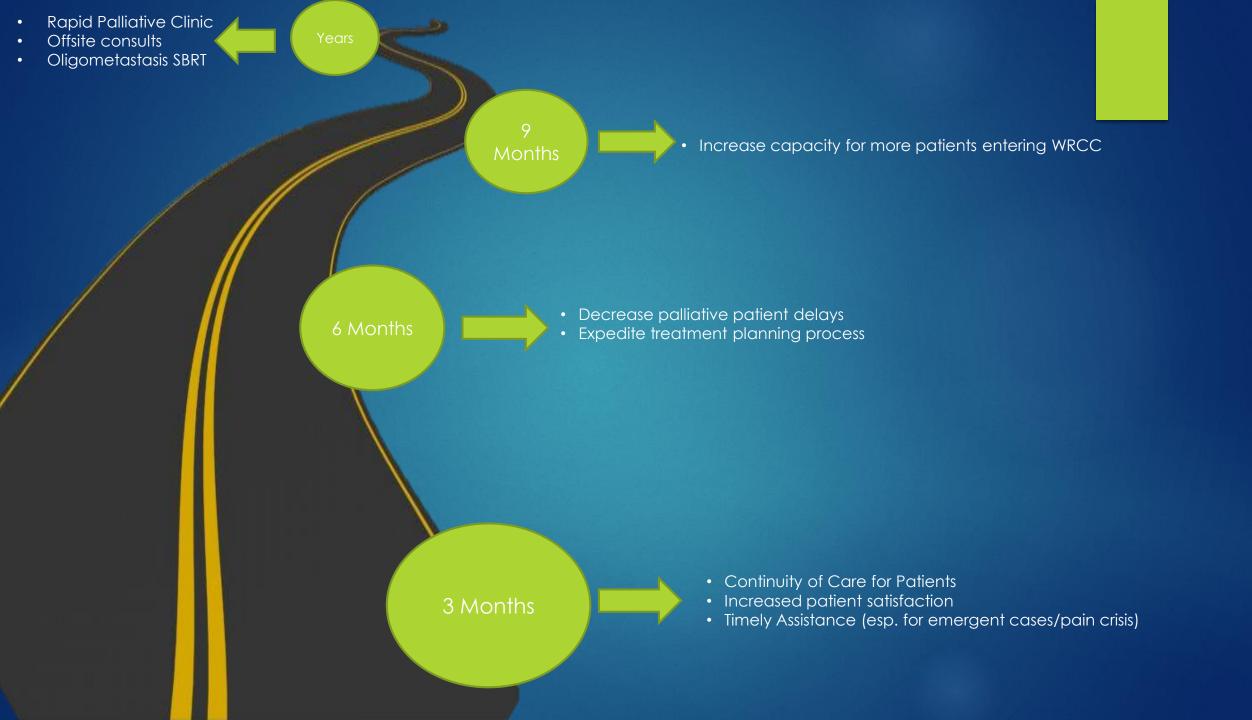




PEPPA Framework Used for Development pCSRT

#### Example of pCSRT Model of Care





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