

Nebraska Cancer Survivorship Survey Results (2022)

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NC2 is a statewide 501c3 nonprofit agency with a 20-year history of working collaboratively with partners in the cancer arena across Nebraska. We are committed to providing a neutral environment for conversations and work to be done from a variety of perspectives, voices and partners with the goal being to achieve our mission and vision.

According to the American Cancer Society, the estimated number of cancer survivors in Nebraska as of January 1, 2019 is 108,500. The 2022 State of Cancer Survivorship in Nebraska survey results provide a look at the survivorship journey from both the primary care provider (family practice and advanced practice providers) and the cancer survivors perspectives.

VISION

Conquering Cancer Together

MISSION

Connecting people and resources to strengthen cancer prevention, detection and quality of life in Nebraska.

DEMOGRAPHICS OF SURVIVOR RESPONDENTS

54%

OF RESPONDENTS ARE 65+ (41% 40-64, 5% 18-39)

49%

OF RESPONDENTS ARE SURVIVORS OF BREAST CANCER

73%

OF RESPONDENTS ARE WOMEN

GEOGRAPHY

SUBURBAN 44%

URBAN 27%

RURAL 27%

STAGE OF TREATMENT

26%

Initial Diagnosis

9%

Recurrence

65%

Completed



Issues Encountered During Care

74%

of providers are "sometimes" or "often" restricted by patients inability to pay for follow-up care

65%

of providers are "sometimes" or "often" not able to order appropriate tests or treatments because of health insurance plan restrictions

Managing Ongoing Side Effects

56%

of survivors report being "very" or "somewhat" concerned

Medical Costs

60%

of survivors report being "very" or "somewhat" concerned

Uncertainty About The Future

57%

of survivors report being "very" or "somewhat" concerned

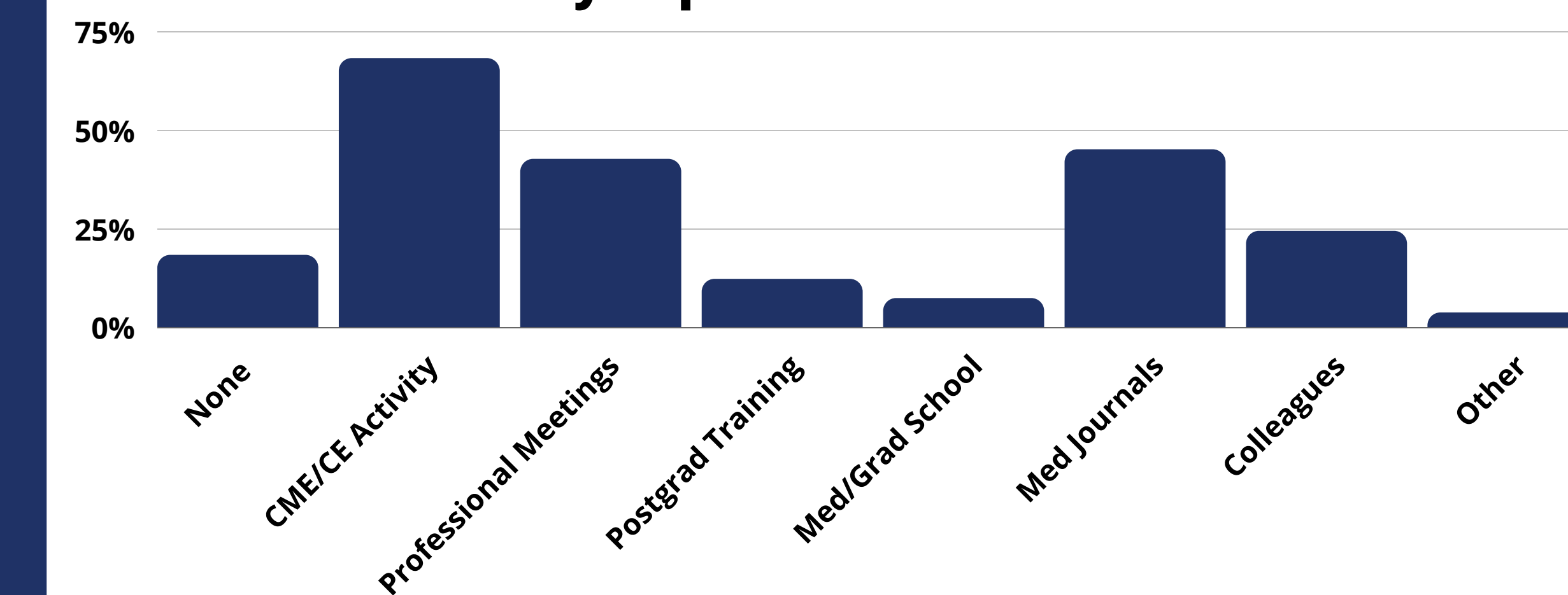


PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER KNOWLEDGE AND TRAINING ON LONG-TERM EFFECTS

34%

of providers reported not receiving any training regarding the late or long-term effects of cancer treatment.

Site where providers report receiving training regarding the late or long-term effects of cancer treatment that survivors may experience over time



23%

of providers reported feeling "not at all" confident regarding their knowledge of late and long-term effects.

62%

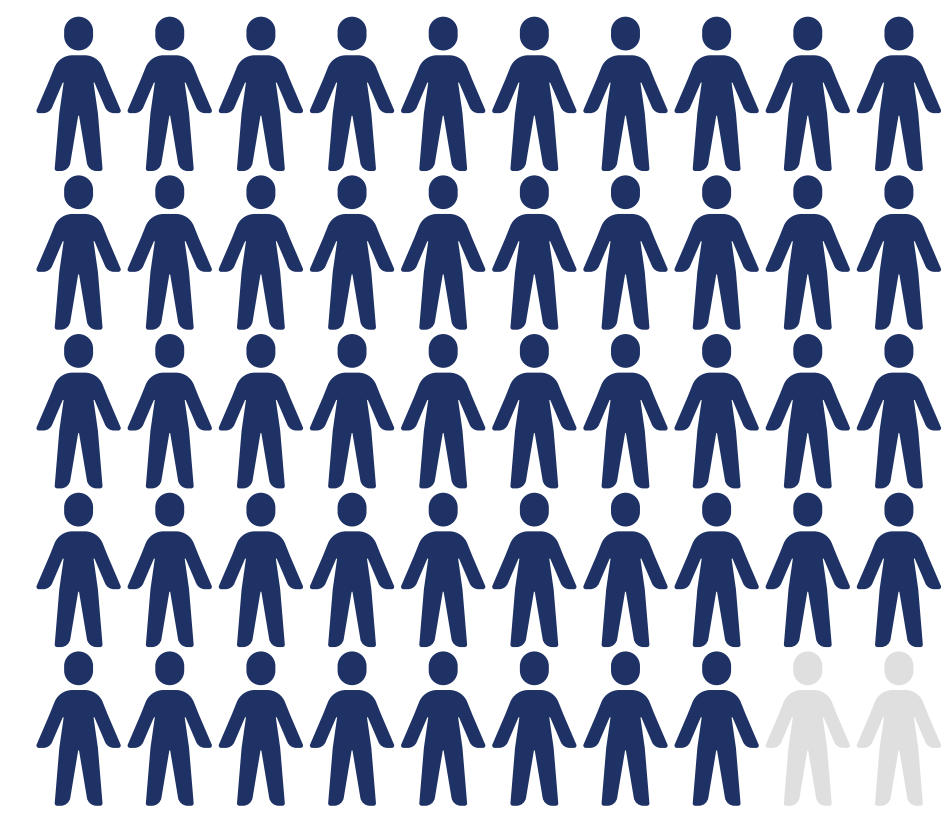
of providers reported feeling "somewhat" confident regarding their knowledge of late and long-term effects.

13%

of providers reported feeling "very" confident regarding their knowledge of late and long-term effects.

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Importance of Addressing Side Effects



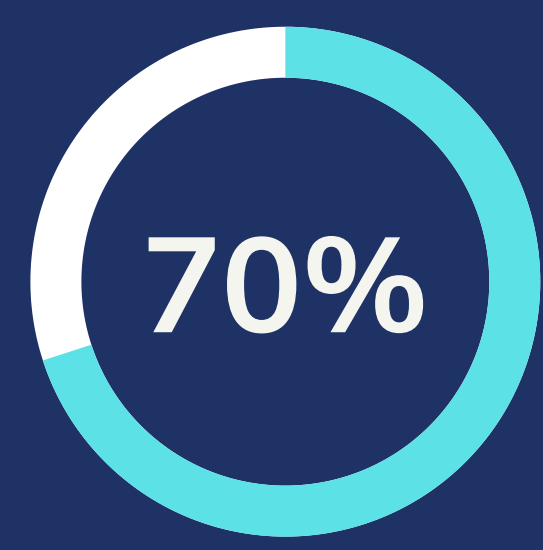
93%

of survivors felt that they were very or somewhat informed of potential side effects of treatment

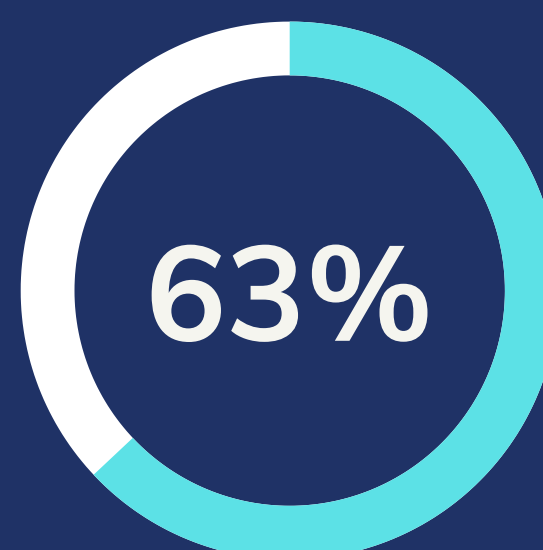
Disparity Between Ages in Experience

Sorted by percentage of each age group that reports feeling "very informed" about side effects of treatment

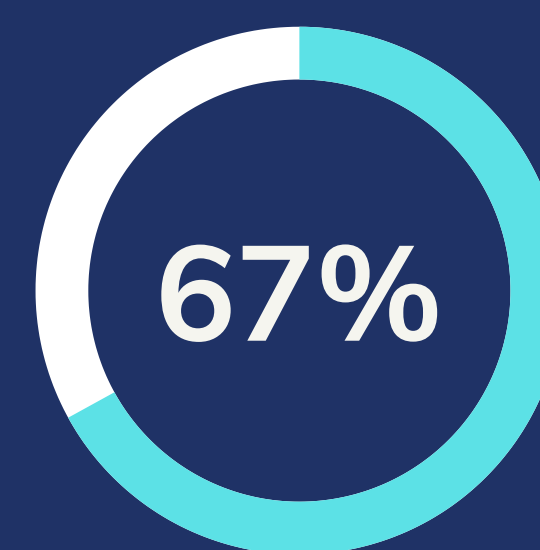
18-39



40-64



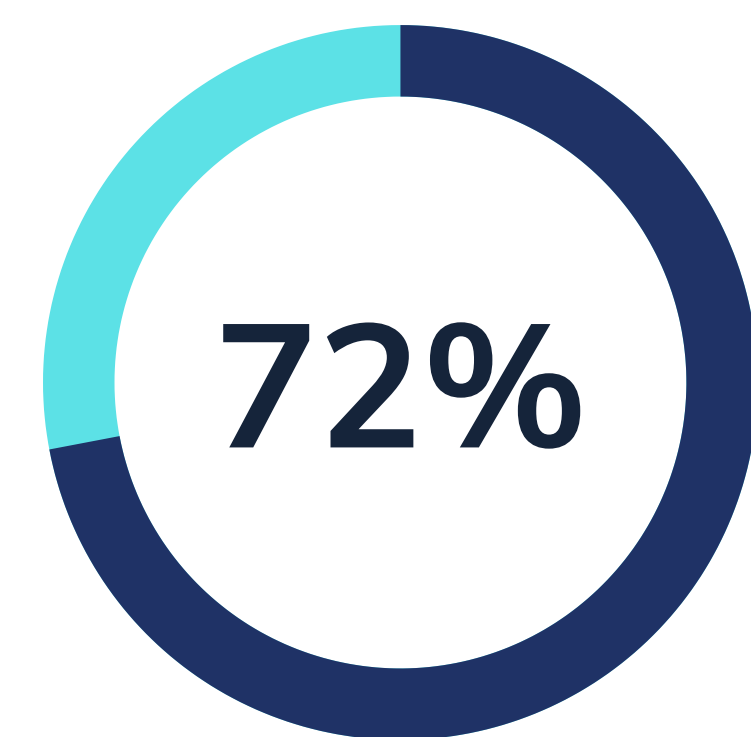
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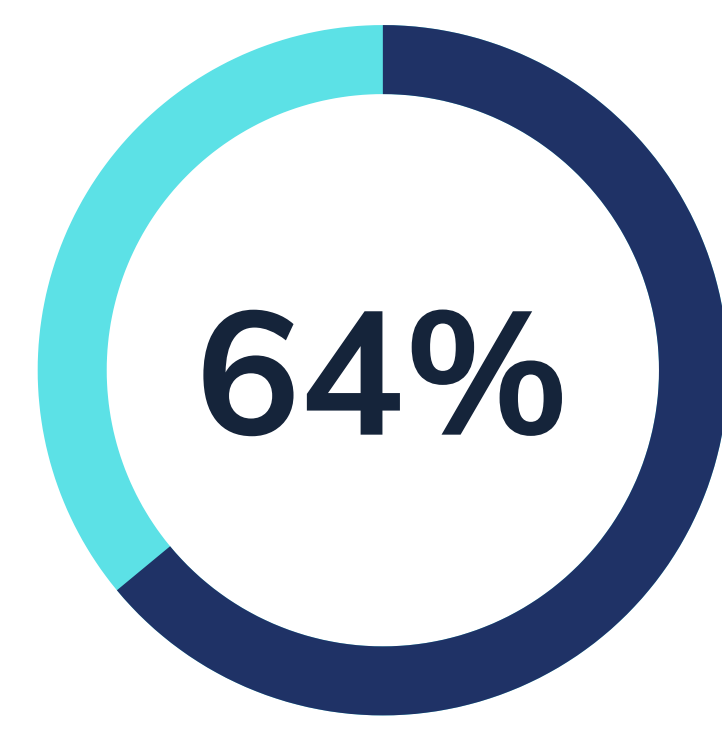
Disparity Between Genders

Sorted by percentage of each gender that felt they were "very informed" about side effects of treatment

Men



Women



Rural

73%



Urban

65%



Suburban

62%



Sorted by percentage of each demographic that felt "very informed" about side effects of treatment

Top Side Effects Experienced

Side Effect	Men	Women	18-39	40-64	65+
Depression, anxiety, mental health issues	21%	29%	54%	38%	17%
Feeling overly tired	55%	57%	75%	61%	53%
Fertility concerns	1%	2%	17%	1%	1%
Insomnia/sleeplessness	21%	34%	38%	40%	23%
Loss of appetite and/or taste/weight loss	35%	29%	42%	32%	29%
Lymphedema	14%	19%	10%	21%	16%
Memory loss/Cognitive Issues	18%	27%	42%	34%	16%
Mouth sores	14%	18%	23%	19%	15%
Muscle/joint pain	24%	38%	46%	44%	26%
Nausea/vomiting or diarrhea	29%	30%	54%	36%	23%
Neuropathy	38%	38%	48%	45%	32%
None	12%	10%	2%	5%	15%
Sexual Concerns	22%	22%	52%	29%	14%
Skin irritation/rash/dermatological problems	20%	29%	29%	33%	23%
Uncertainty around status of cancer	10%	10%	13%	14%	7%

