



## Quality of Life in Underrepresented Cancer Populations

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Underrepresented populations comprise a broad array of communities that include racial and ethnic minorities, adolescents and young adults, patients living in rural areas, and sexual and gender minorities. All people, regardless of their demographics, desire quality of life during cancer treatment and into survivorship. Quality of life in a broad sense encompasses one's sense of well-being and ability to carry out daily activities. However, discrete aspects of life quality involve a host of constructs: financial, being free from pain, sexual health, fertility, access to care, time spent in seeking care, and supportive and palliative care services. This edition will focus on aspects of quality of life in underrepresented populations and highlight the similarities and differences between these groups and majority populations. The inclusion of these underrepresented groups in clinical trials is a key component of improving future outcomes and quality of life, yet some trials and behavioral interventions may need to be adapted or restructured to meet the needs of underrepresented populations with cancer and into survivorship.





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