COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) Pandemic Impact on Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation (HCT)

Audience: U.S. Data Managers and Medical Directors

**REMINDER: Supplemental Data Collection Request**

Effective, **August 25, 2020**, in an effort to determine the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on autologous and allogeneic hematopoietic cell transplantation practice, including outcomes, CIBMTR is requesting supplemental data for each qualifying transplant registered. This includes all allogeneic HCTs and research consented autologous HCTs. These data are essential to understanding how changes to the original transplant plan affect recipient outcomes. Impacts include changes to the original HCT date, donor, product type, preparative regimen, GVHD prophylaxis, and the need to cryopreserve the product. These data are expected to be used in future studies and reports, including the annual Center-Specific Survival Analysis (CSA) for HCT. The supplemental data will be collected prospectively, as long as the pandemic impacts how HCTs are performed. We are committed to ending the supplemental data collection at that time.

Please refer to the memo here for additional information regarding the next steps for this data collection.

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**Richter's Transformation**

Audience: U.S. and International Data Managers

**CIBMTR Reporting Reminder**

After a chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) diagnosis, a histologic transformation may occur. When CLL transforms into diffuse large B-cell lymphoma, this is known as a Richter’s transformation or Richter’s syndrome. In these cases, the primary disease for transplant to report on the Disease Classification (2402 R5) Form is non-hodgkin lymphoma (NHL), and the transformation will be captured in Q383. Only the NHL section will need to be completed (not the Other Leukemia (OL) section).

**Form / Instruction Manual Update**

In the Other Leukemia section for the “Yes” option in Q376, incorrect text stating to also complete the NHL section has been removed, as the Other Leukemia section will never be completed in the case of Richter’s transformation, only the NHL section. The Forms Instruction Manual has also been updated for clarification.
Forms Instruction Manual Updates
The following sections of the Forms Instruction Manual have been updated this past week.

- Pre-TED (2400)
- Disease Classification (2402)
- Post-TED (2450)
- Post-HCT Follow-Up (2100)
- MDS Response Criteria
- MPN Response Criteria
- MDS Pre-Infusion (2014)
- MDS Post-Infusion (2114)
- MPN Post-Infusion (2157)

For an overview of the updates, review the Manual Updates table at the bottom of the Getting Started page. Please contact the CIBMTR Customer Support if there are any questions.