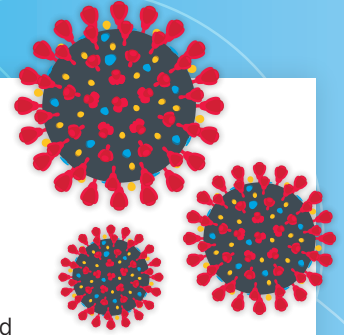


COVID-19 IN PATIENTS WITH CANCER

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted all facets of life across the globe. Evidence is emerging on how patients and survivors of cancer have been impacted by the pandemic. Cancer patients often have weakened immune systems because of the type of cancer they have and/or the treatment they receive. A compromised immune system places patients with cancer at a particularly high risk of infection and death from COVID-19. The true burden of the pandemic on cancer patients and survivors will likely become clearer in coming years with more systematic studies. Here, we are highlighting some recent studies that report the incidence and outcomes of COVID-19 among cancer patients. Known effects of the pandemic on other aspects of cancer research and care, such as screening and treatment, are discussed elsewhere in this report:



TWICE
as likely

Patients with cancer were, on average, **twice as likely to die** from COVID-19 infection.

7 TIMES
more likely

Patients who were recently diagnosed with cancer were at a **7 times higher risk of COVID-19 infection**.

Most
VULNERABLE

Patients with lung cancer or hematological malignancies were at a significantly **higher risk of COVID-19 infection and death**, compared to patients who had other cancer types.

More than
5 TIMES

Black women with a recent breast cancer diagnosis had **more than 5 times higher risk of developing COVID-19 infections** than white patients.