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Screening for Distress: from Research to Practice

Distress in cancer patients is one of the most important and prevalent psychosocial aspects in the clinical care for patients and their families. During recent years we have witnessed a rapid development of the 'distress field'. Many professionals have worked on assessment methods, which may detect this complex problem and have developed best practices for managing distress. Research investigating time points of peak distress across the cancer trajectory has also been a part of the elucidation of this concept.

In this Special Issue of *Psycho-Oncology* we aim to include papers focusing on screening for distress, knowledge translation, implementation and clinical practice. We welcome studies across the cancer spectrum including time of diagnosis and long-term survivors. We would also be interested in papers discussing the term distress, underlying theories, discussion of various measures of distress, methodological aspects of this concept as well as implementation of screening into practice. Papers could also include studies of distress screening in care givers, partners and relatives including spouses, children or family members of cancer patients to illustrate the incidence and prevalence of distress in those close to the patient. The special issue could include reviews, research reports and brief reports. All must have a clear link to the topic of Screening for Distress.

Authors should follow the usual instructions for electronic submission of papers to *Psycho-Oncology* and indicate *that they wish the manuscript to be reviewed for inclusion in the special issue*.

The co-editors of this issue would be happy to review plans for papers in advance of their receipt. All papers will be peer reviewed.

Authors are invited to submit papers for this special issue no later than **1st June 2010**

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