Japanese pediatric endocrinologists regarding transitional care in pediatric, adolescent and young adult (AYA) cancer survivors

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A nation-wide questionnaire survey targeting Japanese pediatric endocrinologists regarding transitional care in pediatric, adolescent and young adult (AYA) cancer survivors has yet to be established in Japan.

The aim is to know the current situation and cultivate a better understanding between pediatric and adult endocrinologists, we conducted a nation-wide questionnaire survey targeting Japanese pediatric endocrinologists.

While existing guidelines recommend long-term follow-up of childhood cancer survivors (CCS), "transitional care" for cancer survivors has yet to be established in Japan.

The survey was distributed to 183 councils (137 institutions) of Japanese Society for Pediatric Endocrinology (USPE). If multiple councils belonged to one institution, an elected representative could present their opinions.

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Number of cancer patients treated

Experience in transitional care

Difficulties in management of cancer patients

Issues regarding patient’s problems

Issues regarding clinical practice

Opinions in the free-entry section

Opinions regarding transitional care

Problems in transitional care

Demands for improving transitional care

Discussion

Conclusion

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