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EURICLEA PROJECT:
THE NEW NURSE ROLE IN SUPPORTING ITALIAN CML PATIENT

PROGETTO EURICLEA

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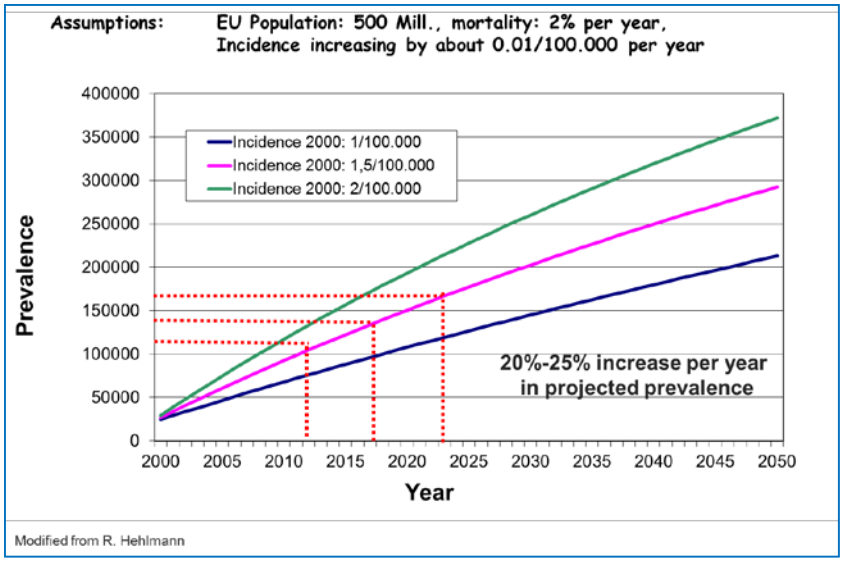
Problem statement and background

- Currently in Italy nurses do not play a specific role in the management of CML patients and, in general, in the management of chronic hematological patients.



- The number of CML patients is growing, and doctors don't have enough time to devote to patients.
- Patients feel increasingly alone and are forced to manage their CML and other comorbidities by themselves.
- Thanks to the lessons learned during CML Hozirons we realized that nurses can play a central role in the management of CML patients.

Working party and project analysis

Our CML Patient Group brings people IPASVI (Italian Nurse Association) and SIE (Italian Society of Hematology) to form a working group (hematologists, nurses, patients) in order to design an experimental organizational model that sees the introduction of a nurse specialized in multidisciplinary group of pathology.

A specific host model focused on aspects that define, in practice, pathways, responsibilities / roles, tools, scopes and indicators, with a particular propensity for definition and identification of factors and predictors of adherence to treatment with TKIs by CML patients.

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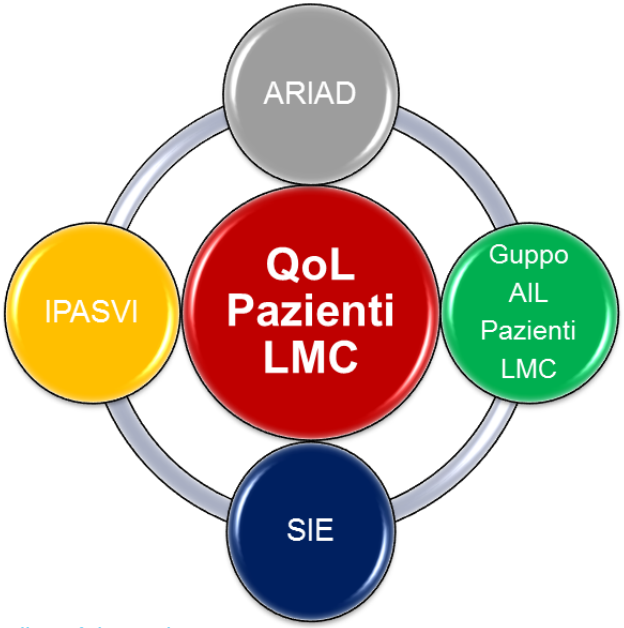
Euryclea is the only person to recognize Odysseus without him first revealing himself after he returns home from the Trojan War.
Euryclea welcomes Odysseus.

Oncology nurses who understand the patient experience and educational needs are the key to proper information transfer and customized delivery of the highest-quality care.[1]

Objective:

Promoting a nurse practitioner network to support the management of CML patients, with the aim of helping patients in:

- Knowledge of disease
- Adherence to Therapy
- Management of AE
- Improve QoL



[1] Cheryl-Anne Simoneau - "Treating Chronic Myeloid Leukemia: Improving Management Through Understanding of the Patient Experience" - February 2013 - Volume 17, Number 1 - Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing

Euriclea phases

Implementation of the model on a national scale

Dissemination of pilot project results.

Higher education for nursing in hematology

Specific Clinical-Assistance Assessment

Oral presentation Euriclea to annual SIE congress 2015

Position Statement

- Bibliography research
- Survey on caring models in the CML

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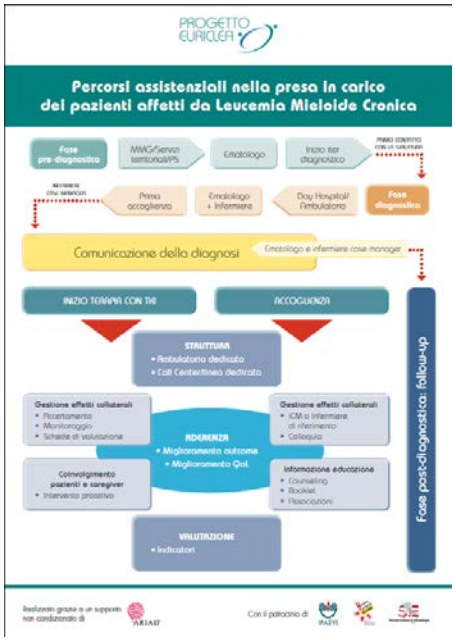

Result and Impact:

- We were able to identify forty nurses throughout the most important hematology departments in Italy.
- As a result of this program, in April 2017 thirty seven nurses graduated in Hematologic nursing, learning how to deal with all the issues concerning the general health condition of every specific CML patient.
- During 2017 these nurses will apply the Euriclea model in the departments of hematology where they work and collect indicators of success in order to present the project to the Ministry of Health with the aim to spread that model in all Italian Hematologic Departments.

Conclusion and recommendation:

- As a CML patient advocacy group, we hope these nurses will become the preferential representatives for patients when dealing with the after care / follow up care of the disease in their homes, while reporting to the doctors all the referred details.

- We also hope that this project will represent a model to train nurses for other hematologic chronic diseases as well. In fact we do believe that part of our work is to influence positive changes in practice that ultimately benefit patients.

Thank you for your kind attention

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