

RCP (Réunion de Concertation Pluridisciplinaire- Multidisciplinary Consultation Meeting),

Since 2 decades, the cancer care eco-system has benefited from a massive restructuring and state investment, allowing under very strict conditions of skills, activity and equipment. Today around 800+ medical teams are authorized in France to treat cancer by surgery, chemo or radio-therapy.

The 2nd main innovation from an organizational point of view, has been the introduction of the RCP, made mandatory by law in France when dealing with cancer topics.

These regular RCP are gathering health professionals, during which a patient's situation is discussed, the possible treatments according to the latest scientific studies, the analysis of the benefits and the risks incurred, as well as the evaluation of the consequences on quality of life which will result.

The RCP bring together at least 3 different specialists to be validated. More often: medical oncologist, radiation oncologist and surgeon. The lead doctor then informs her/his patient and gives her/him his personalized care plan in order she/he will play as a team member for her/his healing.

This "simple" change in terms of daily medical organization has helped to boost the efficiency rate in cancer treatments in the last two decades.