

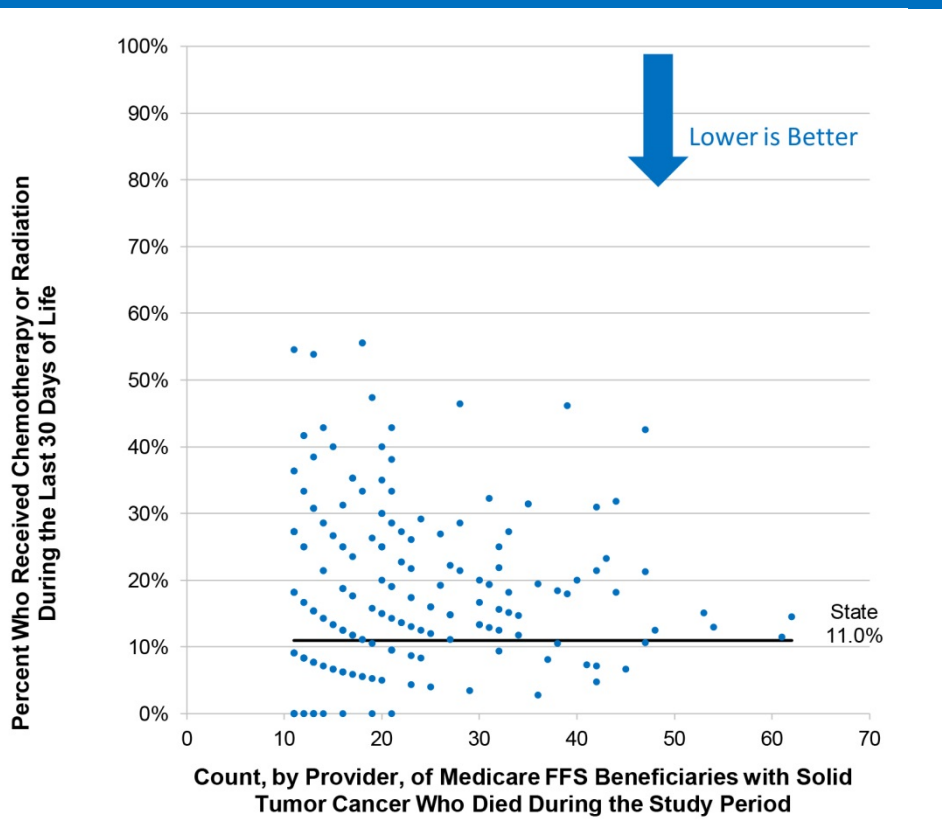
Analysis of Washington Medicare Claims for Choosing Wisely®

In the charts below, each point represents one or more Washington providers with the indicated number of Medicare Fee-for-Service patients with solid tumor cancer who died during July 2016 – June 2017, and the percentage of that provider's patients who received selected types of care. At the end of life, aggressive cancer treatments are not typically warranted, while services such as hospice are highly recommended.

Across the state, some healthcare providers rarely provide chemotherapy or radiation at the end of their cancer patients' lives and frequently order hospice or palliative care services—while others do just the opposite.

Such broad variability presents an opportunity for improvement.

Chemotherapy or Radiation During the Last 30 Days of Life for Patients with Solid Tumor Cancers



Hospice, Palliative Care, or Advance Planning Services During the Last 90 Days of Life for Patients with Solid Tumor Cancers

