Dr. Debra Patt, MD, PhD, MBA

Texas Oncology – Executive Vice President

Dr. Debra Patt is a practicing oncologist and breast cancer specialist in Austin, Texas, and an executive vice president of Texas Oncology with responsibilities in healthcare policy and strategic initiatives and the managing partner for the Central and Gulf regions. She is an active leader in breast cancer and research in healthcare informatics.

Dr. Patt has responsibility for breast cancer research in Austin and leads our multidisciplinary tumor boards for breast cancer.

As an expert in healthcare policy, she has testified before Congress to protect access to care for Medicare beneficiaries. She chairs the Council on Legislation for the Texas Medical Association and works to formulate responsible healthcare policy that improves the health of Texans. She serves as the Editor in Chief of the Journal of Clinical Oncology Clinical Cancer Informatics and drives engagement in clinical informatics solutions to enhance healthcare. Her research is in clinical decision support, predictive analytics, telemedicine, HEOR, tools for patient symptom management and quality improvement.

Within Texas Oncology, she serves on the payer relations, marketing, telemedicine, strategy, policy, management executive, marketing, and revenue cycle committees. She serves on the Board of Directors for the American Society of Clinical Oncology and serves as the Vice President for the Community Oncology Alliance.

She is the past-chair of ASCO's clinical practice committee and served on ASCO's nominating committee for the ASCO Board and the Conquer Cancer Foundation as well as the health IT work group, EHR, technology, and data requirements workgroup, and guidelines committees. She previously served as the chair of the Texas Medical Association's Council on Legislation.

Dr. Patt is the past President of the Texas Society of Clinical Oncology. She is a clinical Professor at Dell Medical School at The University of Texas at Austin.