# STANDARD TREATMENT WORKFLOW (STW)

# **Lip and Oral Cancer**

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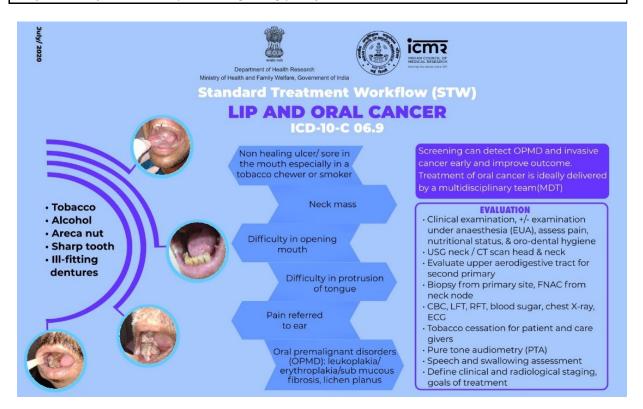
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# OPTIONS WITH CURATIVE INTENT

Initial surgery preferred (wide excision with 1 cm margins & supra-omohyoid neck dissection (Level I - III) with reconstruction

Radical radiation therapy

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Initial surgery: wide excision with 1 cm margins + comprehensive neck dissection and reconstruction

Chemoradiation

Neo-adjuvant CT followed by surgery

# T4B N3 (TONGUE AND BUCCAL CANCERS WITH SKULL BASE/ INTERNAL CAROTID ARTERY INVOLVEMENT

#### AIM OF TREATMENT IS PALLIATION

- · Palliative chemotherapy
- · Immunotherapy
- · Best supportive care

#### INDICATIONS FOR ADJUVANT RT

Close margin, positive node(s), or presence of any two of following: LVI, PNI, high grade

## INDICATIONS FOR ADJUVANT CT-RT:

Metastatic nodes with extracapsular extension, involved margins

# THE DRUG OF CHOICE FOR CONCURRENT CHEMOTHERAPY IS CISPLATIN

## **Adjuvant radiation**

The minimum post-operative radiation dose is 60 Gy/ 6 weeks/ 30# or equivalent to the primary and nodal areas using conventional treatment planning, 3DCRT or IMRT

## Radical radiation

66-70 Gy is delivered using conventional planning / 3DCRT/IMRT through a telecobalt machine or a LINAC at 1.8 to 2 Gy per fraction over 7-8 weeks (or a biologically equivalent dose) with adequate margins all around the lesion and including level I, II and III nodes



Large SCC lower Lip



Intraoperative image following tumor excision





Postoperative results following reconstruction

# FOLLOW UP

Follow up: 3 monthly for the first 3 years, 6 monthly for years 4 & 5 and annually thereafter with clinical examination at every visit, evaluation of symptoms as they present and endoscopy of the upper aerodigestive tract annually

To identify recurrences and second primary cancers

Treatment of common side effects - xerostomia, speech and swallowing issues, nutrition and physical rehabilitation, dental care should be looked after by the members of multidisciplinary team

# **Emphasize tobacco cessation for patients**

- Set a quit date, tell your family
   Remove tobacco / cigarettes from your home, car, and work Tobacco withdrawal symptoms:
- · Trouble sleeping
- · Feeling irritable, anxious, or restless
- Getting frustrated or angryHaving trouble thinking clearly
- · Counsellor's help is available to deal with the cravings and triggers · Can combine nicotine replacement with or ± bupropion

## ABBREVIATIONS

CBC: Complete blood count

CT: Chemotherapy

EUA: Examination under anaesthesia FNAC: Fine needle aspiration cytology

IMRT: Intensity-modulated radiation therapy

LFT: Liver function tests
LVI: Lymphovascular invasion

MDT: Multidisciplinary team OPMD: Oculopharyngeal muscular dystrophy PNI: Perineural invasion

PTA: Pure tone audiome RFT: Renal function tests RT: Radiotherapy

USG: Ultrasound sonography test

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