Additional file 3

Table A.3. Aims of the development phase concerning each programme component and their actual achievements. If aims have been met in full, they are indicated with a check mark (\checkmark) in the achievement column.

Components	Aims within development phase	Actual achievements at the end of development phase
C1: Care concept	development of a care concept based on/compliant with programme theory [1] "best practice" model [2] S3 guideline for psycho-oncology [3] requirements: developing effect theory for each care level evidence summary on genesis of psychological and psychosocial distress in cancer patients, associated consequences and suitable interventions	development of scientific basis of the care concept effect theory developed screening instruments for assigning patients to care levels developed
	 description on how care should be provided according to patients' needs at different care levels 	
	 providing a treatment manual as translation of isPO care concept into practical psycho-oncological care 	first version of treatment manual available
C2: Project & care management	 development of document control system: contains clear descriptions for all contract-related processes (C4), defining activities, responsible persons, times, etc. (C1, C5, C6) 	 creation of database and document control system based on an Excel file that was made available to all care networks (C3)
		 further activities: provision of a milestone plan with overview on the provision and delivery of results and products in all task areas to all consortium partners

Components	Aims within development phase	Actual achievements at the end of development phase
C3: Foundation, development, & support of isPO care networks	foundation and development of four care networks → requirements: - recruiting three non-university care networks in addition to the University Hospital Cologne on the basis of criteria of (economic-)geographic, population structural and cross-sectoral psychooncological care structural characteristics - training of service providers on the structure and functions of the care networks, on the stepped care concept (C1), on quality management (C5) and on the different care level processes depending on their role in the programme - recruiting, training and certification of isPO oncoguides	 continuous and regular meetings between project leader and consortium partners establishment of semi-annual steering committee meetings with all consortium partners and representatives of care networks (C3)
		designing the implementation process - planning the set-up of a helpdesk to ensure that acute problems in isPO-related care provision are promptly and efficiently dealt with
C4: Contracts & agreements	 signed consortium partner agreement: regulating areas of responsibility of the consortium partners and their cooperation (C2) 	✓

Components	Aims within development phase	Actual achievements at the end of development phase
	 four signed cooperation agreements: specifying the tasks of the participating care networks in the context of care and the study (C3) 	✓ cooperation agreements have been signed by all parties involved
	 signed care contracts between the care networks and the participating health insurance companies: regulating the obligations, requirements and services of the contractual partners, and the financing of psycho-oncological services (C3) 	 ✓
C5: Quality management	 development of quality management concept as it is required by German social laws and according to DIN EN ISO standards for quality management especially for health care organisations 	 a beta version of the isPO QM manual has been produced
	 conceptual design of intra- and inter-institutional quality assurance measures (C3 & C4) (participatory quality development approach) 	✓
C6: Care pathways & indicators	 development of SOPs operationalising care concept (C1) and care management (C2): specification who, why, which service should be performed in patient care ("doing the right thing") definition of how and when, and the goal of the activity ("doing the right thing right") → SOPs also basis of the programming of CAPSYS²⁰²⁰ (C7) 	development of basic SOPs for care levels 0 to 3a
	 modulation of SOPs as treatment paths for integration into quality management (C5) during the course of the project development of quality indicators (see also C8) 	modulation of care pathways for care levels 0 to 2

Components	Aims within development phase	Actual achievements at the end of development phase
		 quality indicators have not been developed so far, as the methodological approach planned appeared to be inappropriate and was adapted
C7: IT-documentation & assistance system	 development of the computer-based documentation and assistance system CAPSYS²⁰²⁰ with the following functions: structured care management (C2, C6) automatic reporting for QM (C5) accounting functions for controlling (C4) 	 development of CAPSYS²⁰²⁰ completed for the following functions: ✓
	- patient-related and cross-patient planning, documentation, monitoring, and evaluation of care provision (C1, C8)	✓
	 supporting functions according to different service provider roles (C1, C3) 	✓
	 processing of cancer registry data (C8) 	-
C8: Evaluation	 programming of care statistics based on quality indicators (C6) for automatic quality reports (C5) as a function of CAPSYS²⁰²⁰ (C7) 	 derivation of test quality indicators from the cooperation agreements (due to delay in C6)
	 setting up a data warehouse for controlled and secure transfer of isPO care data (C7) to evaluating institutes (KPP, IGKE, IMVR) 	✓
	developing a data protection concept	✓
		 further activities: the health insurance companies involved in the project requested a health economic evaluation after project beginning that had to be implemented additionally

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