The right information at the right time:



Smart phone app providing lung cancer patients with information, helping them to navigate their own journey

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CONCLUSION

A smartphone App was developed, aiming to provide information relevant to each stage, following the patients time line. Breaking down patient information to samples relevant to the stage of tests or treatment a patient is in and turning that individualised information in to an app helps to inform and empower patients and their support network.

BACKGROUND

- In 2016 all healthcare providers contributing to the care of lung cancer patients merged into the integrated multidisciplinary Centre for Lung Cancer.
- They work side by side in one outpatient clinic to provide person-centred multidisciplinary care for lung cancer patients.
- The way written information was provided to our patients did not match the way we counselled them at the centre for Lung Cancer. The information was specialty based and not focussed on the patient and their specific individual journey.

METHODS

- A smartphone App was developed
 (AppStore/GooglePlay: "ASz Behandelpad"; Choice
 "longkanker"), aiming to provide information relevant to each stage, following the patients time line.
- By selecting the patient's treatment choices in the app, the information is narrowed down to the information relevant to the individual patient.
- Making the information widely available for patients, but also their support network, improves knowledge about the patient's journey and improves the way patients are supported by their loved ones.

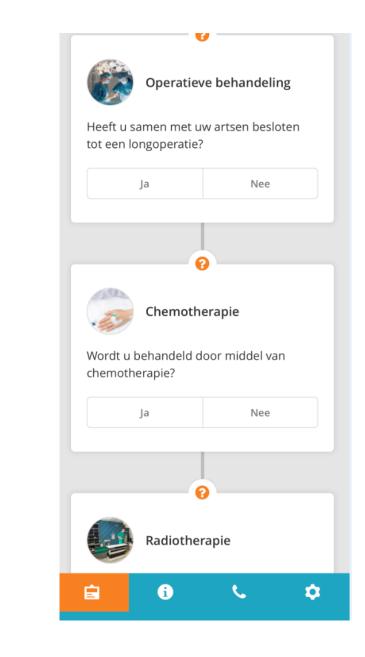
RESULTS

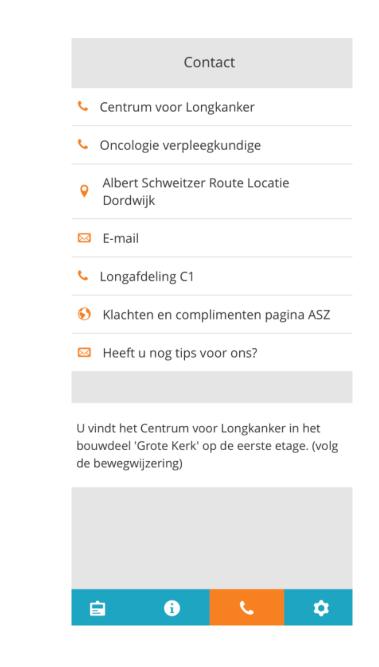


RESULTS









DISCUSSION

Using the app is a new way to share information with patients. In order to help patients to use it to its full potential, the whole staff should be trained on how to incorporate the app into their counselling.