

The Economic Impact of an NCI “Cancer Center” Designation for Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center

- **Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center** is a dedicated cancer center and an integral component of South Florida’s growing healthcare sector
- The prestigious “Cancer Center” designation from the National Cancer Institute (NCI) will allow Sylvester to **secure additional sources of funding, recruit scientific and medical talent** with greater ease, and **improve its research integration** with other specialized cancer centers

The following figures present the potential increases from Sylvester’s current operations in 2010 to the expected, greater impacts in the year 2020, as a result of receiving an NCI-designation:

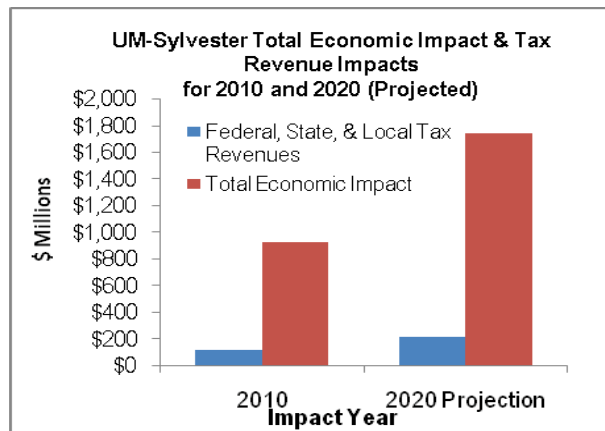


Figure 1 - Source: The Washington Economic Group (WEG)

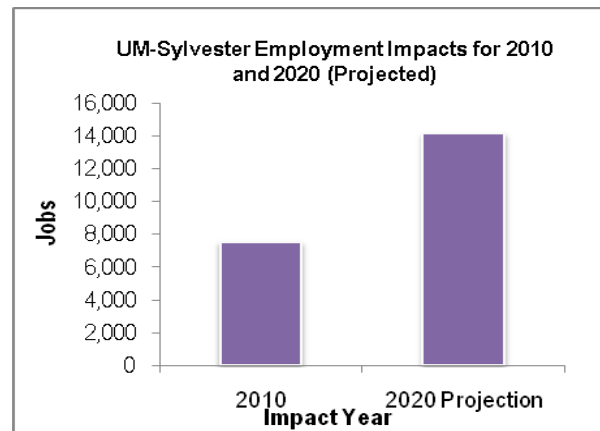


Figure 2 - Source: The Washington Economic Group (WEG)

- With an NCI-designation, Sylvester is expected to support **14,138 jobs in the year 2020**
- By 2020, with an NCI-designation, Sylvester’s expected economic impact is **\$1.7 billion**
- **Investing in Sylvester’s future growth and NCI-designation is of key importance to ensure a world-class medical and research facility, providing significant economic and social benefits to South Florida and the State of Florida**
- The likely impacts that an NCI-designation will bring to Sylvester by 2020 are significant, with estimates showing that the Center’s **total economic impacts have the potential to double**
- **An NCI-designation for Sylvester will enhance its already positive economic impacts, and stimulate the growth of the life sciences cluster- a top economic development priority of the State of Florida**
- The proximity, both geographic and institutional, of the research division to the hospital division means that **new research discoveries are more readily and directly implementable into patient care**
- Sylvester patients from the South Florida region will have a more geographically convenient option to receive specialized treatment
- An official NCI designation will bring **two additional sources of positive impact** to the state and local economies: direct NCI grant funds, and increased medical, research and teaching activities in and around Sylvester. Sylvester will have the ability to apply for a sizeable number of grants limited to NCI-designated Cancer Centers