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CONSORTIUM NEWS/UPDATES

Quarterly Meeting Series: *The Consortium in Action*



Next up in the Consortium in Action Series

- **Environmental Carcinogens**
Tuesday, May 12, 2020
[Register Here](#)
- **HEAL (Healthy Eating & Active Living)**
Thursday, June 10, 2020
[Register Here](#)

Past NYSCC Quarterly Meetings

- **Cancer Surveillance**
- **Lung Cancer Screening**
- **Taking a Journey: The Experience of Cancer**
- **Addressing the Burden of Cancer among the LGBTQ+ Community**

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The NYS Cancer Consortium Action Teams are groups of Consortium members who work tog priority areas while making an impact to reduce the burden of cancer in NYS. This month's e-blast will highlight

Colorectal Cancer

The Colorectal Cancer (CRC) Action Team started 2023 by presenting '*Successes and Challenges with Colorectal Cancer Screening in Rural Communities*' to the New York State Association for Rural Health and the New England Rural Health Association. For the remainder of 2023, the Action Team developed the following goals and priorities for action over the next two years:

1. Promote awareness about the rising rates of colon cancer in younger adults among providers and the public.
2. Promote awareness to patients and providers about no cost-sharing coverage of colonoscopy after abnormal stool tests.
3. Achieve equitable outcomes in CRC screening.
4. Promote CRC screening options to include ensuring timely colonoscopy after an abnormal stool test.

In support of these goals, the team has developed and disseminated information about coverage of colonoscopy after abnormal stool test (goal 2). Also in 2023, several organizations presented information at Team meetings to inform work towards these goals, including the Association of Black Gastroenterologists and Hepatologists (ABGH), a national non-profit organization whose mission is to promote health equity in Black communities with a vision to improve gastrointestinal health outcomes, and Stupid Cancer, Inc., whose mission is to empower everyone affected by adolescent and young adult (AYA) cancer by ending isolation and building community (goals 1 and 3).

[Visit the Colorectal Cancer Screening Action Team webpage on our NYS Cancer Consortium Website.](#)

Environmental Carcinogens



HEAL (Healthy Eating and Active Living)

Over the past year, the Lifestyle Behaviors Action Team has evolved into the newly named Healthy Eating and Active Living (HEAL) Action Team. The name change represents the Action Team's collective focus for 2024 on issues of food insecurity as a primary and secondary cancer prevention strategy.

Food insecurity is the lack of consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life. By definition, food insecurity is not a lifestyle behavior but a social determinant and a barrier to living a healthier lifestyle. One of the team's major objectives was to understand the magnitude of this issue across New York State. The Action Team formed a "Metrics Working Group" that used publicly available data from the New York State Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System to develop Action Team workplan objectives and recommended objectives for use in the next New York State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan covering 2024 through 2029. The Action Team is also developing a web-based **Geographic Information System (GIS)** resource for use by cancer survivors across New York State who experience food insecurity to locate information and resources to access and meet their nutrition needs.

[Visit the HEAL Action Team webpage on our NYS Cancer Consortium Website.](#)



The Lung Cancer Screening Action Team (LCSAT) is conducting a statewide lung cancer screening environmental scan, a project supported by Genentech. The scan aims to enumerate every location offering lung cancer screening across the state. While the Action Team continues to identify additional sites, they created a publicly available, searchable screening locator website, launched in November at <https://nylungcancerscreening.com>. The site contains just over **330** locations to date.

The Action Team has much in the works for 2024. While efforts will continue on the environmental scan, they will also continue to forge a partnership with the New York State Quitline to disseminate lung cancer screening information to eligible callers. The Team will also work with partners at the American Lung Association and American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network on policies to improve access to lung cancer screening, and collaborate with the GO2 Foundation and the Association of Community Cancer Centers to educate providers about lung cancer screening.

[Visit the Lung Cancer Screening Action Team webpage on our NYS Cancer Consortium Website](#)

Skin Cancer



Survivorship

The Survivorship Action Team will continue provider education activities begun in 2023 into 2024, including a multi-institutional (Columbia, Roswell Park, Bassett Health) Nurse Practitioner Special Fellowship in Cancer Survivorship. The Team aims to expand the number of Nurse Practitioners recruited into the Fellowship in 2024. In collaboration with the Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY) the Action Team is developing a white paper on cancer screening and prevention, with contributions about specific issues for survivors.

In addition, the Action Team participates and shares best practices and opportunities in the New Hampshire State Cancer Coalition and New Hampshire State Commission on Cancer Chairs about Survivorship: Barriers, Challenges and Opportunities.

In partnership with the New York State Department of Health Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, the Action Team will implement a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) funded ECHO Project to train primary care clinic teams about cancer survivorship. The focus will be on clinic teams that provide care to rural and underserved/under-resourced populations across the state. Curriculum, faculty, and selection of practices is in progress with the [ECHO program](#) slated to begin in January 2024. Interested, eligible primary care teams can [register at this link](#).

Finally, the Action Team contributed to New York State Cancer Consortium activities, presenting *New York State Cancer Survivorship: Improving Care, Bolstering our Workforce* to the Consortium and partners on December 14th and contributing to development of the 2024-2029 New York State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan by providing expertise on survivorship-related objectives, goals and strategies.

[Visit the Survivorship Action Team webpage on our NYS Cancer Consortium Website](#)

Resources and Data of Interest

Based on data from the 2020 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, [Breast Cancer Screening, New York](#) populations with a breast cancer screening history aligning with the United States Preventive Services Task Force

- An estimated 78.2% of females 50 to 74 years were up to date with screening recommendations, declining from 80.5% for the first time since 2016.
- The decrease in reported screening is consistent with national findings and is likely due to healthcare d
- Disparities in reported screening were seen among those with the lowest household income, without he a disability.
- Significant differences in reported screening were also seen by known risk factors for breast cancer, in
- Of those who reported not having received a mammogram within the past two years, 95.2% (an estima females) had a regular health care provider (data not shown), representing missed opportunities for scr

The updated [Sun Exposure and Sunburn, New York State Adults, 2021](#) report provides data on the prevalence Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. According to the report:

- Across the state, 28.0% of adults report they rarely or never protect themselves from the sun, which is
- Adults who live in New York City (NYC) (31.8%), are living with disability (32.0%), identify as Hispanic (41.4%), or have less than a high school education (41.4%) are more likely to rarely or never protect themselves from the sun.
- Lack of practicing sun-protective behaviors is more common among adults who currently smoke, who live in NYC, and who are living with disability.
- Nearly 27% of NYS adults report having had at least one sunburn in the past 12 months.
- Having a sunburn is more common among adults who are living without disability (29.8%), live outside of NYC (30.1%), have a household income of \$50,000 or more (33.7%), and identify as non-Hispanic White (38.3%).

Funding Opportunities

Notice of Intent to Publish a Funding Opportunity Announcement for [Model Continuums of Care Initiative \(MCO\) for Minority and Other Marginalized Communities](#) (U34 Clinical Trials Required)

[Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants Program](#)

[Impacts of climate change across the cancer control continuum](#) (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)

[Exploratory Grant Award to Promote Workforce Diversity in Basic Cancer Research \(R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)

Notice of Intent to Publish a Funding Opportunity Announcement for [Consortium for Palliative Care Research and Practice](#)

[Comprehensive Partnerships to Advance Cancer Health Equity](#) (CPACHE) (U54 Clinical Trial Optional)

[Population Approaches to Reducing Alcohol-related Cancer Risk](#) (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

[Supporting Young Breast Cancer Survivors, Metastatic Breast Cancer Patients, and their Families](#)

[Interventions to expand cancer screening and preventive services to ADVANCE health in populations that experience health disparities](#)

[Pioneering Ideas: Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health](#)

[Indigenous-Led Solutions to Advance Health Equity and Wellbeing](#)

[Policies for Action: Policy Research to Advance the Inclusion of Immigrant Families and Children](#)

[Evidence for Action: Innovative Research to Advance Racial Equity](#)

Meetings & Trainings of Interest

ASCO Gastrointestinal Cancers Symposium: January 18-20, 2024 in San Francisco, CA and Online. [More](#)

New Lead Time Messaging Guidebook: A Tool to Encourage On-Time Colo-rectal Cancer Screening Panel Roundtable (NCCRT) for a webinar on **January 22, 2024, from 2:00-3:00 PM ET** to learn more about this new [here](#)

[Registration is open](#) for the **Colon Cancer Foundation's Early-Age Onset Colorectal Cancer Summit**, Feb

Self-paced course: [Sexual Health and Cancer Survivorship | The George Washington University School of Me](#)

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1/9 – [New Treatments for Childhood Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia \(ALL\)](#) (teleconference/webcast)

1/10 – [The Benefits of Clinical Trials for Triple Negative Breast Cancer](#) (teleconference/webcast)

1/17 – [Updates in the Treatment of Estrogen Receptor \(ER\) Positive, Progesterone Receptor \(PR\) Positive and
Cancer Symposium \(SABCS\), Part II of Living with Breast Cancer: Updates from the San Antonio Breast Canc](#)

1/19 – [Addressing the LGBTQI+ Health Disparities Gap](#) (teleconference/webcast)

1/24 – [Bladder Cancer: Treatment Updates, Part I of Living with Bladder Cancer](#) (teleconference/webcast)

1/31 – [For Caregivers: Practical Tips to Cope with a Loved One's Bladder Cancer, Part II of Living with Bladder](#)

2/7 – [Breast Cancer in Younger Women: New Treatment Options](#) (teleconference/webcast)

2/27 – [Advances in the Treatment of Colorectal Cancer](#) (teleconference/webcast)

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