

New York State



Cancer Consortium

“Working Together, Reducing Cancer, Saving Lives”

Year of Change

- New Focus
- New Committees
- New Steering Committee Term Begins
- Same Mission
- Same Vision



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Mission & Vision

Mission

To reduce the human and economic burden of cancer in New York State.

Vision

People concerned about cancer will work collaboratively to implement the New York State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan, while respecting and embracing the cultural, demographic and geographic diversity within NYS.

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How Did All The Changes Come About?

- August 2008 – Steering Committee (SC) meets to discuss focus
- October 2008 – Ad Hoc Committee convened, charged with making recommendations for changes to the structure and fill SC vacancies
- To fill these vacancies, a clearly-defined focus was needed for the SC
- Above activities supported by findings in the NYSCC Member Satisfaction Survey

New NYSCC Focus

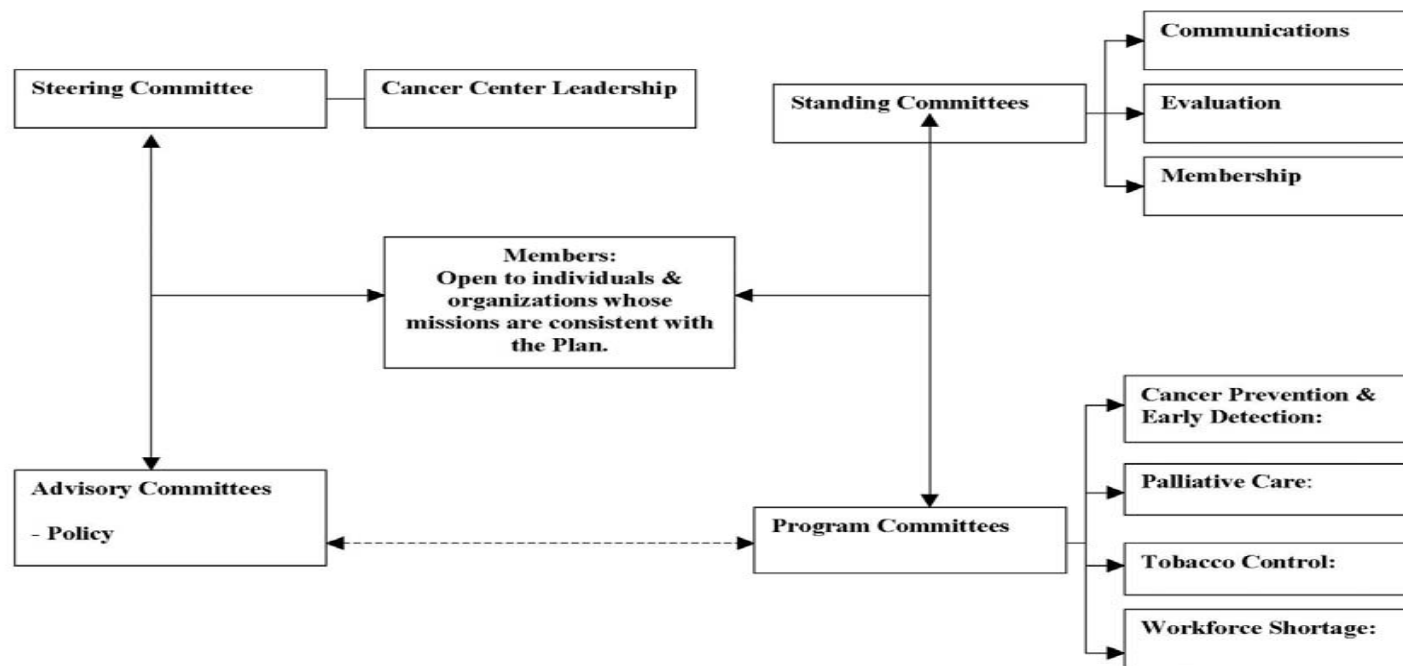
Policy,
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New Committee Structure

- Infrastructure/Standing Committees of NYSCC
 - Communications, Evaluation & Membership
- Policy Committee
 - Advisory Committee
 - Develop legislative policy/advocacy agenda & providing legislative updates
- Program Committees
 - Cancer Prevention & Early Detection
 - Palliative Care
 - Tobacco Control
 - Workforce Shortage

New York State Cancer Consortium Working Organizational Chart, April 2009



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Program Committees: Cancer Prevention & Early Detection

- Charge:
 - Identify legislative and policy priorities in prevention and early detection and work with the policy committee to develop approaches to address them.
- Focused Areas of Interest:
 - Lunchtime Healthy Schools Act
 - Support the Cancer Services Program
 - Caloric Posting

Program Committees: Palliative Care

- Charge:
 - Identify policy and legislative approaches and proposals related to palliative care and work with the policy committee to respond to them.
- Focused Areas of Interest:
 - Provider education for early referral to palliative care
 - Address barriers to pain management

Program Committees: Tobacco Control

- Charge:
 - Support legislative and policy approaches shown to reduce tobacco use and work with the policy committee to develop appropriate responses
- Focused Areas of Interest
 - Continue/Sustain levels of Tobacco Program Funding
 - Legislation to allow the FDA to regulate tobacco and tobacco products
 - Enforcement of the tobacco tax on sales of tobacco products on Indian Nation Land to non-Native Americans
 - Eliminate sales of tobacco products in pharmacies

Program Committees: Workforce Shortages

- Charge:
 - Support legislative and policy approaches intended to address health workforce shortages and work with the policy committee to develop appropriate responses.
- Focused Areas of Interest:
 - Develop affiliations with other stakeholders to promote careers related to cancer
 - Develop/strengthen affiliations with allied health professionals and with AHEC

Desired Outcomes from Today

- Increased collaboration among stakeholders and partners working in other related chronic disease areas
- Afternoon Breakout sessions will be held according to Program Committee areas
 - Identification of potential partners and development of consistent messaging to be the basis for Program Committee discussions of activities for the coming year

Overview of Coming Year

- New Steering Committee Term (August 2009) with new and returning SC members
- Identify and collaborate with partners to develop common messaging around chronic diseases
- Integration of current Implementation Committee and subcommittees into the Program Committees
- Continued work on focus areas by the Program Committees
- Increase information sharing among committees and general membership
- Comprehensive evaluations of committees and activities

Thank You!

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