



NYSCC NEWSLETTER

The NYS Cancer Consortium is committed to its mission to reduce the human and economic burden of cancer in New York State. It is also committed to its vision that all people concerned about cancer will work collaboratively to implement the Cancer Plan while respecting the diversity within New York. As New Yorkers, let's continue to support each other during the current ongoing challenges. You can stay up to date with federal changes that may impact cancer control by connecting with key partners such as:

- [American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network](#)
- [Susan G. Komen Center for Public Policy](#)

Protect Cancer Registries: An Essential Tool in America's War on Cancer



Data from cancer registries play a crucial role in the fight against cancer in the U.S.

[Click here](#) to get more information on the benefits of robust data collection.

The Consortium recognizes the following opportunities for advocacy and recognition during August.

July: [Sarcoma and Bone Cancer Awareness](#)

August: [World Lung Cancer Day](#)

RECOGNIZING AWARENESS MONTHS:

UV Safety Month



Ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun is a major cause of skin damage and skin cancer. In New York, thousands are diagnosed with skin cancer each year. Most UV exposure comes from UVA and UVB rays, which can penetrate the skin and lead to premature aging, sunburns, and increased cancer risk.

The New York State Cancer Consortium's Skin Cancer Action Team (SCAT) encourages everyone to use broad-spectrum sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher every day (even cloudy days!), reapplying every two hours and after swimming or sweating. Wearing UV-protective clothing, such as long-sleeved shirts, wide-brimmed hats, and sunglasses with UV protection, offers even more defense. The SCAT also recommends seeking shade or limiting outdoor activities during these hours to further reduce your risk. This summer, join SCAT in taking action to keep yourself and your loved ones safe from harmful UV rays. Together, we can lower the burden of skin cancer across New York State!

Start at 9



The NYS HPV Coalition recently encouraged the New York State Department of Health and New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (NYCDOH) to update their immunization registries to recommend the HPV vaccine for kids at age 9 rather than at age 11. This is in support of the national Start at 9 HPV vaccine campaign. The Coalition looks forward to these changes being made and announced in the near future to increase the state's on-time HPV vaccination rate by age 13.

The NYCDOH launched a new HPV Vaccination Start at 9 media campaign called [Protect Their Futures: New NYC Health Department HPV Vaccine Campaign Targets New York City Families](#). Take advantage of these changes and share the campaign ads below via social media as well as [this video](#) for providers and parents which describes the benefits of starting at age 9. Ask your organization to join the 59 organizations in New York that have endorsed starting at age 9 by going to the NYS HPV Coalition's website. Working together, we can save more people from the 6 preventable HPV cancers.

CONSORTIUM NEWS:

Health Equity and Cancer Survivorship



The next session in the Consortium's [Health Equity and Cancer Series](#), *Health Equity and Cancer: Survivorship (Part 1)* will be held **September 16th, 2025, at 11 AM**.

In this two-part session, we will examine the various programs designed to enhance the well-being of cancer patients, survivors, and their caregivers. Our goal is to equip Consortium members and other organizations with the knowledge, tools, and insights necessary to provide better support to cancer survivors and their loved ones.

If you missed any session of the series, please visit the [Quarterly Member Meeting Series](#) to view the session recording and slide deck.

Social Media – Let's Engage and Educate the Public about Cancer Prevention and Control



Join the NYS Cancer Consortium in its efforts to reach the public with its evidence-based messaging via [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#) by following our handle, [@nyscancerconsortium](#). You can also connect with the Consortium on [BlueSky](#), [@nyscc.sky.social](#). We'll be sharing updates, like highlights for cancer awareness months and Action Team projects, along with other exciting initiatives. Join us in spreading the word and making a difference!

Meetings and Training Opportunities



Please visit the ["Meetings and Trainings of Interest" page](#) on the [Consortium website](#). This regularly updated resource highlights a variety of meetings, training sessions, webinars, and events organized by our partners. If you would like to promote your event, please reach out to the Consortium via [email](#). You may also, complete the [New York State Cancer Consortium Member Meeting and Training \(Event\) Submission Form](#) available at the top of the webpage.

Breast Cancer Network of New York



The Breast Cancer Network of Western New York was recently [featured on Daytime Buffalo](#) where they promoted their *Sisters in Survival* support group. This is a breast cancer support group funded by New York State for women of color in the Western NY region to connect, share experiences, find hope, and gain strength in a caring community dedicated to empowerment and resilience through shared journeys. For more information, please visit their website linked below.

[Breast Cancer Network of WNY, Sisters in Survival Support Group](#)

For More Information: 716-706-0060 or <https://www.bcnwny.org/sisters-in-survival>

DATA REPORTS AND OTHER RESOURCES

United States Cancer Statistics



The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released the latest [United States Cancer Statistics \(USCS\)](#), with new cancer diagnoses through 2022 and cancer deaths through 2023. The USCS combines cancer registry data from CDC's [National Program of Cancer Registries \(NPCR\)](#) and the National Cancer Institute's [Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results \(SEER\) Program](#).

All-Payer Claims Data



The NYS All-Payer claims data and Hospital Discharge data (SPARCS) Public Use Files (PUFs) are now available. PUFs are de-identified datasets tailored to support policymakers, researchers, and the general public by providing critical data for research, reporting, and analysis free of charge.

Both All-Payer claims data and Hospital Discharge data (SPARCS) PUFs are available in multiple formats on the Department's open data portal, [HealthDataNY](#), on their designated PUF pages:

[APD PUF Story Page | State of New York](#)

[SPARCS PUF Story Page | State of New York](#)

[State of New York | Open Data Health | State of New York](#)

Alcohol Outlet Density in New York State



This report provides information on the distribution of the different types of alcohol outlets in all the counties of New York State. Measuring alcohol outlet density can be used to inform efforts in reducing excessive alcohol use and its associated harms, including cancer risk.

[Alcohol Outlet Density in New York State Report](#)

Healthy Dietary Patterns In New York State



This report examines the consumption of fruits and vegetables and sugary drinks among New York State adults. More than 1 in 4 adults (28%) consume fewer than one fruit or vegetable daily. Fruit and vegetable consumption is lowest among younger adults aged 18-24 years (41%), Black non-Hispanic adults (38%), and Hispanic adults (37%). Fruit and vegetable consumption is also lower among people with less education and lower household income. Nearly 1 in 4 adults (23%)

consume at least one sugary beverage every day, with the highest consumption among people who are Black, non-Hispanic (31%), and among people with less education and household income.

[Healthy Dietary Patterns in New York State Report](#)

[Get Free or Low-Cost Fruits and Vegetables](#)

If you, or someone you know, is interested in joining any of these incredible teams, please visit [the Consortium's Become a Member Page!](#)

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