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Do you or your organization have any cancer-related webinars, trainings, or events planned? How about suggestions for health promotion articles and funding opportunities? If so, let us know! We'll be happy to include them in upcoming e-blasts. [Send us an email](#) today

CONSORTIUM NEWS/UPDATES

Quarterly Meeting Series: *The Consortium in Action*

Next up in the Consortium in Action Series:

- **September 27, 2023**
Lung Cancer Screening: The Consortium in Action



The New York State Consortium's Lung Cancer Screening Action Team (LCSAT) is made up of clinicians, researchers, educators, advocates, and organizations across the state who share the mission of decreasing the burden of lung cancer in New York State. The Action Team works to mobilize multi-level resources to increase lung cancer screening using guideline-driven, evidence-based strategies in an effort to save lives through early detection.

Join us for a conversation that explores the status of lung cancer screening in New York State and examines current efforts and promising avenues to increase screening.

Speakers:

- **Patricia Rivera, MD** - Distinguished Professor of Medicine, Chief of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Associate Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the Wilmot Cancer Institute, University of Rochester Medical Center, and President of the American Thoracic Society.
- **Andy Hyland, PhD** - Chair of the Department of Health Behavior at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center and Director of the New York State Quitline.
- **Nikia Clark, BS** - Senior Community Outreach and Engagement Manager, Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center
- **Michael Davoli** - Senior Director of Government Relations New York, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
- **Mary Reid, BSN, MSPH, PhD** - Chair, NYS Lung Cancer Screening Action Team and Distinguished Professor of Oncology, Chief of Cancer Screening and Survivorship, and Director of Collaborative Research at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center

[Register Here](#)

UPCOMING Consortium in Action Meetings:

- **December 14, 2023**
The Survivorship and Lifestyle Behaviors Action Teams
[Register Here](#)
- **March 12, 2024**
The Environmental Carcinogen Action Team
[Register Here](#)

Past Consortium in Action Events

- *Taking a Jab at Cancer Prevention: Closing the HPV Vaccination Gap in New York State*
[Meeting Recording](#)

- *Addressing the Cancer Burden in LGBTQ+ Communities: A Training from the National LGBT Cancer Network*
[Meeting Recording](#)

National Immunization Month

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Take Action Against 6 Vaccine-Preventable Cancers this National Immunization Awareness Month



**National Immunization
Awareness Month**

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) endorsed the National Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccination Roundtable's '[Start at Age 9](#)' campaign, joining the New York State Cancer Consortium, New York State HPV Coalition, Cancer Prevention in Action partners, and more than 50 organizations around the state in support of starting the vaccine at a younger age to help decrease related cancers.

The HPV vaccine can prevent more than 90 percent of cancers caused by HPV from developing later in life.

[Click to view the NYSDOH press release](#)

[Click to visit the New York State HPV Coalition's website](#)

The work of the [Cancer Prevention in Action \(CPiA\)](#) grantee at Stony Brook Cancer Center (a member of the New York State HPV Coalition) has been featured in the August issue of the National HPV Roundtable newsletter.

[Click for full newsletter](#)



HPV vaccine knowledge, attitudes, and practices among New York State medical providers, dentists, and pharmacists

Healthcare provider vaccine knowledge and attitudes influence delivery of a strong vaccine recommendation. This NYS-based study developed a questionnaire designed to assess physician, dentist and pharmacist's knowledge, attitudes, and recommendation practices regarding the HPV vaccine.

Medical providers in NYS were more likely to report recommending HPV vaccine for children ages 11–12 years if they strongly agreed that HPV vaccine prevents cancer and responded that HPV vaccination does not increase the risk of unprotected sex. Less than 1/3 of dentists and few pharmacists reported discussing HPV vaccine with 11–26-year-old patients at least “sometimes.”

[Click here to read the study](#)



Childhood Cancer Month

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Childhood Cancer in New York State and Nationally

Cancer is the second leading cause of death among children, second only to injuries. About 1,000 children and adolescents under the age of 20 are diagnosed with cancer every year in New York. Due to advances in treatment, more children than ever are surviving childhood cancers, and death rates are declining. Children who survive a cancer diagnosis often suffer from late treatment effects such as impairments in the function of specific organs, secondary cancers, cognitive deficits, and infertility; therefore, proper long-term follow-up care is essential for survivors of childhood cancer. [Click here to read more about childhood cancer in New York State.](#)

Nationally, a new study titled, ‘Counts, incidence rates, and trends of pediatric cancer in the United States, 2003-2019’, highlights that approximately 15,000 children and adolescents are diagnosed with cancer each year in the United States. Although pediatric

cancer mortality has decreased over the past 40 years, cancer is still the leading disease-related cause of death among children and adolescents aged 1 to 19 years in the United States. The number of pediatric cancer survivors in the United States is growing and changes in pediatric cancer incidence rates may indicate shifts in clinical care or research needs both for patients and for survivors.

[Click to read the full study](#)



Childhood cancer survivors have increased burden of disease relative to siblings and the general population

A study from the Journal of Clinical Oncology used the Cumulative Illness Rating Scale for Geriatrics, Childhood Cancer Survivor Study, and the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey to show that childhood cancer survivors experience accelerated aging and have a higher risk of premature death than the general population. The study showed that cancer survivors gain additional chronic conditions at an accelerated pace relative to the general population or their siblings.

[Click here to read the study](#)

Treatment for Childhood Cancer

Children face unique issues during their treatment for cancer, after the completion of treatment, and as survivors of cancer.

The National Cancer Institute's [Childhood Cancer page](#) has a wealth of resources on causes and treatment of childhood cancer, coping with cancer, and [survivorship](#).



Cancer Screening/Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

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New Awards to Begin for Prostate Cancer Peer Education, Outreach and Shared Decision Making in New York State

Building off a successful peer education program conducted from 2016-2022, which reached thousands of men with prostate education and referrals to health care providers to discuss prostate cancer screening, the New York State Department of Health will fund 4 new awardees for five years beginning October 1, 2023. The grantees were awarded through a competitive Request for Applications and will provide peer-led education, personalized coaching, linkage to community services, and referral to providers for prostate cancer screening. Activities will be directed to Black men, ages 45 to 69 years old in select counties that have a disproportionate burden of prostate cancer.

- Weill Medical College of Cornell University / Kings County
- The Institute for Family Health / Bronx County
- University of Rochester / Monroe County
- Health Research Inc. and Roswell Park Cancer Institute / Erie County

**PHEN (Prostate Health Education Network)
Participated in FDA's Black Family Cancer
Awareness Weeks**

On June 15, 2023, the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) hosted a webinar to launch Black Family Cancer Awareness Week. The panel spoke on the causes of cancer disparities and the solutions needed to eliminate them. Dr. Keith Crawford, PHEN's Director of Clinical Trials and Patient Education, focused on the need for Black men and women to participate in clinical trials, noting that 80 to 85 percent of what is known about genetics and cancer development is based on European ancestry. The amount of genetic information based on the Black population reaches less than 5 percent. [Click to view this panel discussion.](#) Visit [The Prostate Health Education Network: Prostate Health Education and Awareness](#) website to learn more.





Nathan is an interactive conversation that can help patients decide whether to get screened for prostate cancer.

Health care providers can practice helping patients make decisions about prostate cancer screening and treatment.

[Click to review this interactive experience](#)

If you are a health care system or clinic that provides primary care services to men at increased risk for getting or dying from prostate cancer (Black or African American men and men with a family history of prostate cancer), the CDC wants you to participate in an evaluation of [Talk to Nathan About Prostate Cancer Screening](#)

Send your name, email address, and phone number to cancerconsortium@health.ny.gov by August 28, 2023. Clinics that are selected for the evaluation will receive a stipend for their contributions.

Mount Sinai Robert F. Smith Mobile Prostate Cancer Screening is committed to enabling early detection of prostate cancer for at-risk Black men.

This mobile unit brings state-of-the-art imaging equipment and specialized staff directly to the communities that need them most.

[Click to learn more about prostate cancer and to view mobile prostate cancer screening events](#)



Funding Opportunities

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National Cancer Institute [Research to Understand and Address the Survivorship Needs of Individuals Living with Advanced Cancer](#) (Letter of Intent due 8/29)

Exact Sciences [CRC Screening Uptake Strategies](#) (Application due 9/7)

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society [Building Evidence for Effective Strategies to Increase Therapeutic Cancer Clinical Trial Accrual: Promoting Access for Patients from Underrepresented Groups](#) (Letter of Intent due 9/15)

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society [Understanding How Health Insurance Affects Equity in Access to Care for Patients with and Survivors of Blood Cancer](#) (Letter of Intent due 9/15)

Resources and Data of Interest

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Two NYS Cancer Registry research studies were published in a special edition of the Journal of Registry Management.

Xiuling Zhang, PhD:

- [The Case of the Missing 2020 Cancers: Using Claims Data to Investigate a Deficit in Incident Cancer Case Reports to the New York State Cancer Registry in 2020](#)
- [Early COVID-19 Hospitalizations Among New York State Residents with a History of Invasive Cancer](#)

Baozhen Qiao, PhD:

- [Identifying Factors Associated with Loss to Follow-up Among Patients Reported to the New York State Cancer Registry](#)





Newly Required Health Warnings in Tobacco Retail Sales Have Been Appearing Throughout New York State This Summer

Newly required tobacco industry corrective statements describing the health effects and addictiveness of smoking started appearing in most tobacco retailers stores throughout the state this summer and are required to be in place for 21 months.

As required by the U.S. Department of Justice, the corrective statements must be in highly visible locations within the stores, and are designed to be eye-catching and provide truthful information to consumers related to the adverse health effects of smoking; the addictiveness of smoking and nicotine; the lack of health benefits from cigarettes advertised as light or low tar; cigarette companies' manipulation of cigarette design and composition to ensure optimum nicotine delivery; and the adverse health effects of exposure to secondhand smoke.

[Click to read about the court ordered requirements](#)

[Click to view these corrective statements](#)

The New York State [Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan Dashboard](#) (Dashboard) tracks progress for 43 measurable objectives in the [2018-2023 NYS Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan](#) (Plan). The Plan is a roadmap with to reduce the cancer burden in New York State.

The Dashboard was just updated for its fifth time, and there is excellent news toward achieving the 2023 Plan targets. Over half of objectives have either met their Plan target (33%) or have improved from Plan baseline (23%). The percentage of objectives that show no change from their Plan baseline has decreased from 44% at this time last year to 39%. Only 5% of objectives have worsened from Plan baseline.

As a NYS Cancer Consortium member, you are a key part of helping to achieve set goals by working towards them at the local level and getting involved with Consortium action teams. Other ways you can support the Consortium are by:

- Sharing the Dashboard as an important monitoring and information resource with your colleagues.
- Promoting the Dashboard via your organization's social media platforms.
- Directing partners to the NYS Cancer Consortium website at www.nyscancerconsortium.org. There they can learn about the Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan, Consortium action teams, and more. Encourage partners to join the Consortium!

Drinking alcohol raises the risk of getting several kinds of cancer including, mouth and throat, voice box (larynx), esophagus, colon and rectum, liver and breast (in women). Regardless of drink type (beer, wine, or liquor), the risk of cancer increases with the number of drinks consumed. There are evidence-based [community strategies](#) and [clinical strategies](#) that work to reduce excessive alcohol use which includes binge drinking, heavy drinking, and any alcohol use by pregnant persons or anyone younger than 21.

The **New York State Alcohol Surveillance and Epidemiology Program (ASEP)** was established in September 2021 through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to conduct public health surveillance on excessive alcohol use and its related harms in New York State. The ASEP just launched a [new website](#) on the NYS Department of Health webpage. Check it out to learn more about what the ASEP does and to access data and prevention resources related to reducing excessive alcohol use and its related harms, such as cancer, in New York State!

Meetings & Trainings of Interest

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Free Upcoming CancerCare Connect® Education Workshops

CancerCare offers free workshops on a variety of cancer-related topics. For details and to register for a workshop, call 1-800-813-HOPE, or visit www.cancercare.org/connect.

8/22 – [Highlights from the 2023 American Society of Clinical Oncology \(ASCO\) Annual Meeting – “Partnering With Patients: The Cornerstone of Cancer Care and Research”, Part II of Highlights from the 2023 American Society of Clinical Oncology Meeting](#)

(teleconference/webcast)

8/23 – [New Perspectives in the Treatment of Peripheral T-Cell Lymphoma \(PTCL\)](#) (teleconference/webcast)

10/11 – [Metastatic Breast Cancer: Treatment Updates](#) (teleconference/webcast)

19th Annual African American Prostate Cancer Disparity Summit - Virtual

September 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, 2023

[Click to register and review each session](#)





SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

Age 9 Webinar: HPV Cancer Center Consortium

Join the National Cancer Institute (NCI) on **September 28, 2023**, from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. ET for a webinar introducing emerging evidence on HPV vaccination at age 9.

[Register here](#)

SAVE THE DATE

For the Colon Cancer Foundation's 8th Annual **Early-Age Onset Colorectal Cancer Summit**

February 9th & 10th in Nashville, Tennessee

[Click for more information](#)



Training on ASCO Cancer Survivorship Care Guidelines

August is a great time to brush up on the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) cancer survivorship care guidelines. The GW Cancer Center makes it easy with [free, online training](#). The training will introduce you to guidelines addressing chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy management, fertility preservation, and osteoporosis management in adult survivors with nonmetastatic disease. Share with your partners and [sign up](#) today!

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