Increasing Cancer
Screenings through a Policy,
Systems, and Environmental
Change Approach

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#### Housekeeping Items

Please mute your line.

Questions will be answered at the end of the meeting.

If you have a question, please type it in the Chat Box.

This meeting is being recorded, and a link will be e-mailed to everyone who registered.

## Welcome

## **Meeting Facilitators**



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## The New York State Cancer Consortium

Working Together, Reducing Cancer, Saving Lives



Visit us at nyscancerconsortium.org

We work together to implement the NYS

Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan and reduce
the burden of cancer through the following
activities:



Increase public knowledge of the Consortium and Plan



Collaborate to achieve Plan goals and objectives



Share progress, insight and expertise



Track progress on cancer indicators tied to the Plan

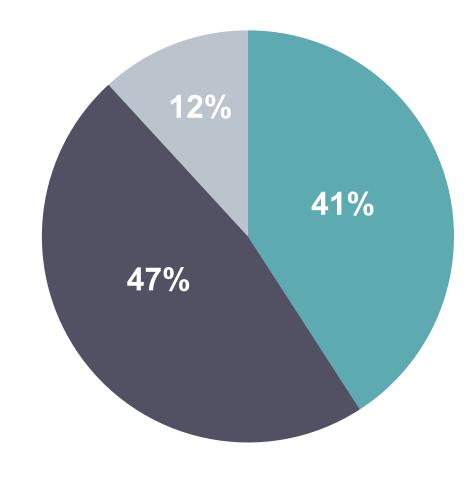
#### **Learning Objectives**

- 1. Describe the goals and components of a paid time off policy for cancer screening.
- 2. Understand the benefits of a paid time off policy for cancer screening.
- 3. Identify strategies to adopt paid time off policies with your organization.
- 4. Learn how to support paid time off for cancer screening opportunities in your organization and communities.

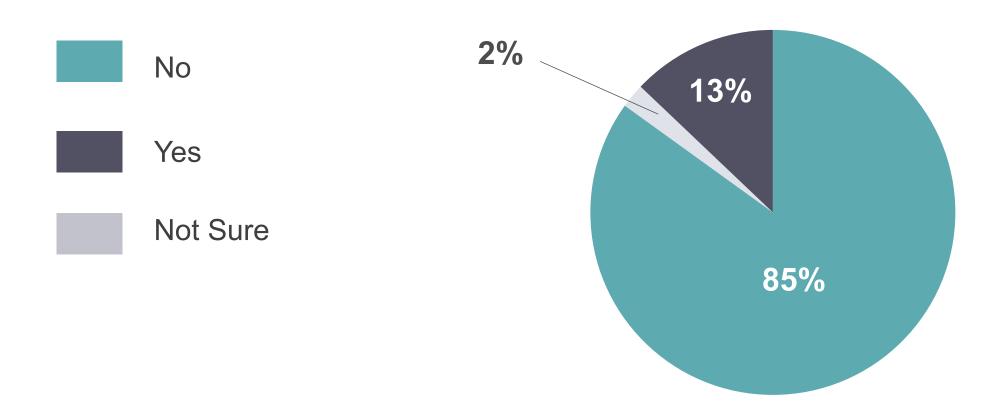
**Pre-Meeting Question:** How familiar are you with Paid Time Off for Cancer Screening Policies?



- Not at all familiar
- Very familiar



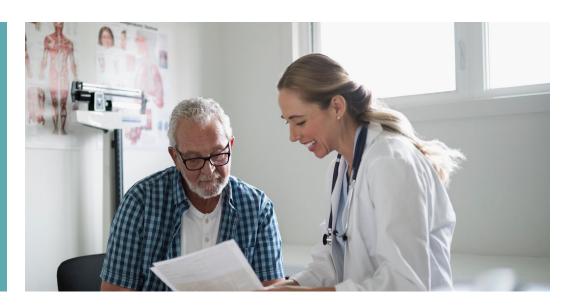
**Pre-Meeting Question:** Have you ever assisted an organization in adopting a Paid Time Off for Cancer Screening Policy?



# What is Paid Time Off for Cancer Screening?

#### **Cancer Screenings**

- Cancer is the second leading cause of death in New York State.
- Cancer screening means checking your body for cancer before you have symptoms.
- Cancer screening can help detect cancer early when treatment may work best.







## Paid Time Off (PTO) for Cancer Screening

A policy that provides a dedicated bank of time for employees to obtain cancer screenings.



Time granted to employees specifically to obtain recommended cancer screenings



Can be used for screeningamenable cancers such as breast, cervical, lung and colorectal cancers



This time is not charged against other sick, vacation, or personal leave time.

#### What is Included in a PTO for Cancer Screening Policy?



The number of hours allowed per calendar year.



The types of cancers covered



Who within the organization can use the policy



The type of documentation that is needed for proof of screening.



How the policy will be monitored, evaluated, and reviewed.



How the benefit will be promoted throughout the organization.

#### What are the Benefits to PTO for Cancer Screening?

## Reduces Barriers to Screening



Prevents an employee from having to choose between a potentially life-saving screening and a paycheck.

### Increases Screening Rates



Increases employee screening rates.

### Improves Work Force Health



Reduces health care costs related to cancer and improves work force health.

# PTO for Cancer Screening Strategies and Best Practices

#### **Panelists**



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# Actions to Support PTO for Cancer Screening

#### What You Can Do to Support PTO for Cancer Screening



#### **Build Awareness**

Build awareness about the importance of cancer screenings.



#### **Support PTO Policies**

Support and promote policies that allow employees to use paid leave to get cancer screenings.



#### **Educate Employers**

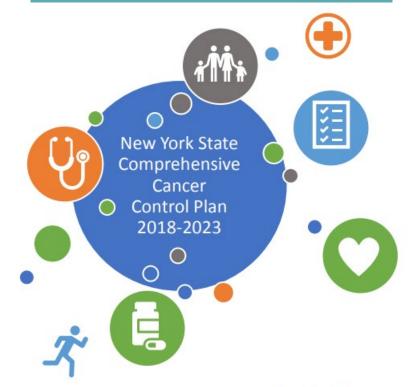
Educate employers about the important role they can play to increase lifesaving cancer screenings for employees.



#### **Implement PTO Policies**

Implement a PTO for Cancer Screening Policy at your worksite.

#### Update In Progress



## New York State Cancer Consortium www.nyscancerconsortium.org

## New York State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan

A cancer prevention and control roadmap to reduce the cancer burden in New York State.

#### **Features**

- 7 Priority Areas for Action
- √ 51 Measurable Objectives
- ✓ An Early Detection Section with suggested strategies to improve screening rates for early detection of cancer in New York State.

### NYSCC PSE Learning Series

#### **Upcoming Meeting Dates**

April 2<sup>nd</sup> 11am – 12pm Promoting Sun Safety through a PSE Change Approach

**June 4**<sup>th</sup> 11 – 11:30am

Applying PSE Changes to Your Work



#### Thank you for attending



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