



ICCCC: Iowa Consortium for Comprehensive Cancer Control

NEWS

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Dates to Remember:

June 1st
National Cancer Survivors Day [link](#)

June 1-7
Sun Safety Week [link](#)

June 9th
ICCCC Disparities Training
[click here to register.](#)

June 9-15
National Men's Health Week [link](#)

October 16 & 17
ICCCC Fall Meeting & Iowa Cancer Summit



Leadership Changes at ICCCC

As the fiscal year winds down many groups within the Consortium are making leadership changes as well. The Consortium would like to thank the following people who will be stepping down from their leadership roles within the ICCCC

Vickie Evans, Co-Chair, Barriers to Screening
Nancy Thompson, Chair, Colorectal Task Force
Bridget Richmond, Co-Chair, Patient and Family Resources
Ken Petersen, Chair, Governmental Relations

We would also like to extend a welcome and thanks to our new chairs and co-chairs: Carol Frazell, Co-Chair, Barriers to Screening; Keri Mercer and Joan Felkner, Co-Chairs for the Colorectal Task Force, and Braedi Kinman, Co-Chair for the Patient and Family Resources Group (Palliative Focus).

Current Openings:

 Chair, Governmental Relations Committee

Please contact Sara Comstock if you are interested in a leadership position or in learning more about group or committee projects.

Save the Date ICCCC Fall Meeting & 2008 Iowa Cancer Summit



Dates: October 16 & 17

Location: Hilton Garden Inn, Johnston, Iowa

Registration information will be sent out at a later date.

Contact Theresa Allen, theresa.allen@cancer.org or Sara Comstock, sara-comstock@uiowa.edu if you would like to participate as a sponsoring organization.

ICCCC to Offer Health Disparities Training

Mark your calendars for a 1 hour teleconference addressing the basics of health disparities Monday, June 9th from 12:00 – 1:00. ICCCC members are invited to join Sieglinde Prior, Division of Tobacco, Use and Prevention – IDPH as she leads a discussion about diversity, health disparities and real world examples of how people are addressing disparities in Iowa. This workshop is free and the 1-800 number will be provided when you register, [click here to register.](#)

If you have ideas for future ICCCC trainings, please contact Sara Comstock.



Question of the Month: (True or False) A sunscreen labeled SPF 30 blocks twice as much UV radiation as one labeled SPF 15.



The ICCCC Needs You!

Stories Needed: ICCCC Health Disparities Paper

Much is already known about how to prevent, detect, and treat cancer, yet these advances do not reach everyone. Screening, treatment, and survival rates often differ among population groups.

The ICCCC Health Disparities Task Force is looking for narratives to complement the statistics in the Iowa Health Inequalities paper. The data compiled is very meaningful but sometimes the impact of individual stories can be more powerful. Contact Sara Comstock at 319-335-8144 to verbally share a story or send an e-mail to sara-comstock@uiowa.edu. The Task Force will select content to be featured in the report. **Please share your story by June 14th.**

Are you interested in Clinical Trials?

The ICCCC Clinical Trials workgroup is looking for members who are interested in creating a statewide clinical trials campaign to:

- Increase the number of patients exposed to consistent information regarding clinical trials.
- Increase the number of patients choosing clinical trials as a quality treatment option.

We are interested in representation across the cancer control spectrum. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Joan Felkner at joan-felkner@uiowa.edu or Sara Comstock at sara-comstock@uiowa.edu.



ICCCC Tobacco Group Sponsors Statewide Workshops:

*Educating businesses and organizations across the state
about how to become smoke-free.*

Monday, June 23 – 9:00 a.m.

Northeastern Iowa ICN Broadcast
*Decorah, Dubuque, Iowa Falls,
Marshalltown, Mason City, Waterloo,
Waverly*

Monday, June 23 – 1:30 p.m.

East Central & Southeast Iowa ICN
*Cedar Rapids, Clinton, Davenport, Fort
Madison, Iowa City, Muscatine*

Tuesday, June 24 – 9:00 a.m.

Ottumwa
Indian Hills Community College

Tuesday, June 24 – 2:00 p.m.

Osceola
SWCC – Osceola Center

Wednesday, June 25 – 9:00 a.m.

Red Oak
SWCC – Red Oak Center

Wednesday, June 25 – 2:00 p.m.

Des Moines
Des Moines University

Thursday, June 26th – 1:30 p.m.

Fort Dodge
Iowa Central Community College

Friday, June 27 – 9:00 a.m.

Northwestern Iowa ICN Broadcast
*Denison, Le Mars, Sioux Center, Sioux
City, Spencer, Storm Lake*

Registration information will be sent out to the Consortium within the next week.

To volunteer at a workshop or for more information contact:
Beth Ritter Ruback at 319-338-2366 or britterruback@cleanairforeveryone.org

In the Headlines

ICCCC Member In the Spotlight in Storm Lake, Iowa [read more >>](#)

Iowa Smokefree Air Act Draft Rules Now Available [read more >>](#)

Worsening Health Trends Among Least Educated

A new study finds a widening gap in mortality rates between the most and least educated Americans. [read more >>](#)

Major TV Networks Plan Cancer Benefit

The 3 major news networks are teaming up to raise funds for cancer research. [read more >>](#)

Antioxidants May Undermine Cancer Therapy [read more >>](#)



UPDATE

Consortium 501(c)3 Update:

In May the general membership of the ICCCC voted to pass the proposed by-laws and Board of Directors. Following this vote, the Articles of Incorporation and by-laws have been forwarded on to legal counsel. The Articles of Incorporation have been filed with the Secretary of State of Iowa, the next step will be to file with the Internal Revenue Service.

The Consortium will be kept up-to-date with progress towards non-profit status through newsletter articles and at the fall meeting. If you have questions about these proceedings, please contact Larry Williams, larry-williams@uiowa.edu or Christiana Taylor, christiana-taylor@uiowa.edu.



Funds Available in Iowa for:

Physical Activity – Nutrition – Chronic Disease Prevention

A Request for Proposal (RFP) has recently been posted to the Iowa Department of Public Health website, http://www.idph.state.ia.us/apl/notice_of_funds.asp, announcing the Iowa Healthy Communities Initiative Grant Program RFP. This grant opportunity may be relevant to projects in your community or organization. Eligible applicants are local boards of health. Private organizations may partner with local boards of health to submit an application. Please see the RFP at the IDPH website if interested.

Timeline

RFP Issued:	May 13, 2008
Proposals Due:	June 19, 2008
Issue Notice of Award:	July 15, 2008
Project Period:	August 1, 2008 – June 30, 2010

Cancer Control Planning Resources:

www.canceriowa.org

www.cancerplan.org

www.cancercontrolplanning.net/cancer.gov

www.cancer.gov

www.cancer.org

<http://www.iowagrantsguide.org/>

Questions, comments, corrections, meeting dates and times, and/or story ideas, contact:

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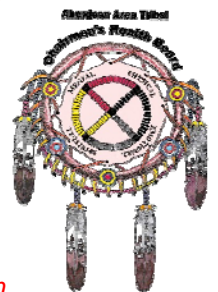
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Northern Plains Comprehensive Cancer Program Community Grants

Timeline:

May, 9, 2008: RFP Announced
July 1, 2008: Application deadlines
August 1, 2008: Award Notice
June 30th, 2009: Projects must be completed



Grant Purpose

The purpose of these community grants is to provide support to **Northern Plains Cancer Coalition** members to plan and implement activities in their own tribal communities that will help reach goals and objectives outlined in the **Northern Plains Native American CCC Plan**.

Applicant Qualifications

Tribes, tribal agencies, urban tribal programs, tribal non-profit organizations and other non-profit organizations serving AI/AN people in the Northern Plains region (North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, and Iowa) may apply.

Number of Awards and Amount

Applicants may ask for up to \$5,000.

Spirit of EAGLES RFP - Awards up to \$10,000

Applicants: Tribes, tribal agencies, urban tribal programs, tribal non-profit organizations and other non-profit organizations, educational institutions or government agencies serving AI/AN people may apply.

Focus: Projects may address cancer awareness, education, outreach, or training, help develop a tribal cancer plan, provide scholarships or conduct preliminary research.

Timeline:	Applications due: June 30 th
	Awards notified: July 15 th
	Project Length: August 1 st , 2008 - April 30 th 2009.

Please see attached cover letter for questions or contact Jessica Gilbertson at 701-328-4515 or jfgilbertson@nd.gov.

Continuing Education

Addressing the Complexities of Cancer Health Disparities: NCI's Center to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities

Wednesday, June 11, 2008 from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

No registration is required for participation. To join the teleconference, dial toll-free within the U.S. 1-800-857-6584. The passcode is: CRCHD. If you have friends or colleagues who cannot participate "live" on the day of the teleconference, they can listen to the replay of the call through July 11, 2008 by dialing toll-free 1-866-505-9249.

Cancer Health Disparities Summit 2008: Eliminating Cancer Health Disparities Through Science, Training, and Community

July 14-16, 2008: Bethesda, Maryland

Summit 08 will share evidence-based prevention, screening, treatment, and survivorship interventions from the Community Networks Program (CNP), Minority Institution and Cancer Center Partnerships (MICCP), and Patient Navigation Research Program (PNRP).

[Click here for conference information](#)

Addressing Diversity in Clinical Trials

Online Continuing Education for Nurses, Social Workers and Healthcare Professionals.

CE AVAILABLE UNTIL: December 14, 2008

The online, self-study program Bringing Cures to All Patients: Addressing Diversity in Clinical Trials is designed to help nurses, social workers, and healthcare professionals do the following: describe the most prominent causes of cancer health disparities among underserved populations; identify the value of clinical trial participation for these populations and for the advancement of treatment; discuss approaches to recruiting underserved groups and minorities into cancer clinical trials; identify issues in managing and retaining these cancer patients in studies (such as acculturation, values and attitudes; previous experience in research; and trust and perception of healthcare professionals); and apply patient navigation and other strategies to better serve this population.

- Estimated time to complete activity: 1.5 hours
- To participate in this online activity, go to <http://www.LLS.org/2007ONS>

CancerCare: Telephone Education Workshop Series.

Calls are from 12:30-1:30 C.S.T. 1-800-813-4673 Recorded calls are available at 1-888-337-7533

- June 4, 2008: [Medical Update on Triple Negative Breast Cancer](#)
- June 11, 2008: [Coping with Nausea and Vomiting from Chemotherapy](#)
- June 19, 2008: [Medical Update on Ovarian Cancer from the 2008 American Society of Clinical Oncology \(ASCO\) Annual Meeting](#)
- June 24, 2008: [The Sixth Annual Cancer Survivorship Series: Living With, Through and Beyond Cancer, Part III: Survivors Too: Family, Friends and Loved Ones](#)
- June 25, 2008: [Medical Update on Head & Neck Cancer from the American Society of Clinical Oncology \(ASCO\) 2008 Annual Meeting](#)
- June 26, 2008: [Updates on Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia/Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma \(CLL/SLL\) Part I: Overview and Treatment Options](#)

[CancerCare: Telephone Education Workshop Full Calendar](#)



Answer to Question of the Month: False

To learn why, visit the American Cancer Society's website and [Take the Sun Safety Quiz](#)