



ICCCC: Iowa Consortium for Comprehensive Cancer Control

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Dates to Remember

November:

- Lung Cancer Awareness Month
- Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
- National Family Caregivers Month
- National Hospice Palliative Care Month
- Great American Smokeout (20th)

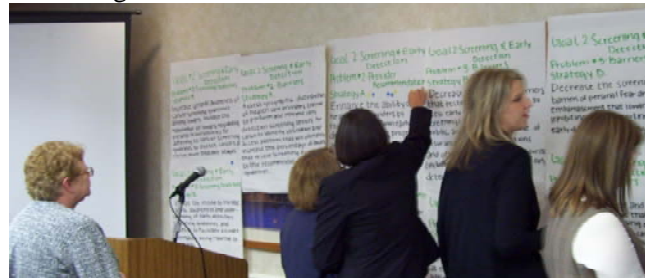


April 21st

ICCCC Spring Meeting
Iowa Methodist Medical Center
Kelly Conference Room
Des Moines, Iowa

ICCCC Fall Meeting

Sixty-five Consortium members attended the October 16th Fall Meeting in Johnston, Iowa. Chair, Dr. George Weiner, led off the meeting with a review of where the ICCCC has been and accomplishments along the way. Discussion then centered on priority strategies in the Iowa Cancer Plan and the group cast votes for the priority strategies for the coming years. ICCCC Board of Directors will review the votes cast to produce top priorities. All implementation groups had a chance to meet and work on implementing fiscal year 2009 projects. The meeting ended with the presentation of the 2nd Annual Karen Packer Spirit of Collaboration Award to Christy Thurman, American Cancer Society and Betty Johnson, First Light Christian Fellowship for their collaborative work with the Body & Soul project. The First Annual Cancer Champion Award was presented to Representative Ro Foege for his long history of supporting comprehensive cancer control efforts in Iowa. Consortium members finished the day with a reception honoring award winners and the efforts of the High Ground for Cancer Patients initiative.



Clockwise from top: Christy Thurman receiving the Karen Packer Spirit of Collaboration Award from ICCCC Chair, George Weiner; Clinical Trials Work Group meeting; Jolene Carver & Jeanna Jones volunteering at the registration table; Tobacco Control Implementation Group meeting during the breakout session; Representative Ro Foege receiving the 1st Annual Iowa Cancer Champion Award from ICCCC Chair, George Weiner and ICCCC members prioritizing strategies.

2008 Iowa Cancer Summit

Maximizing Collaboration: Minimizing Disparities

Following the Fall ICCCC Meeting, Dr. Patrick Remington started off the 2nd Annual Iowa Cancer Summit with the keynote address. Dr. Remington set the tone for the day by discussing cancer disparities within the context of the three tracks offered; prevention and detection, clinical trials and survivorship. The day's agenda was full of education and networking opportunities. During lunch, attendees had a chance to learn about individualized topics during roundtable discussion. In the afternoon a panel discussion featuring interesting partners in cancer control and Dr. George Weiner closed the day with a discussion of the days events and the path for moving forward in comprehensive cancer control. Presentations are available at www.canceriowa.org/news/.



Sponsors



Family Planning Council of Iowa - HPV Vaccination Project
Iowans for Wellness and Prevention
Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

CancerCare: Telephone Edition Workshop Series.

CancerCare: Telephone Education Workshop Full Calendar

- **December 3, 2008:** Young Women with Breast Cancer: Treatment-Specific Choices, Fertility and Careers
- **December 4, 2008** Update on Medicare Part D for People Living with Cancer
- **December 12, 2008:** For Caregivers: Coping with Holidays, Special Occasions and Birthdays, Throughout the Year
- **December 16, 2008:** Treatment Update on Cutaneous Lymphoma
- **December 17, 2008:** The Latest Developments Reported at the 31st Annual San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium

Cancer Control Planning Resources:

www.canceriowa.org

www.cancercontrolplanet.cancer.gov

www.cancer.gov

www.cancer.org

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Hope Lodge Offers Free, Non-Medical Lodging for Cancer Patients

The Russell and Ann Gerdin American Cancer Society Hope Lodge, offering 28 rooms for patients and caregivers, is now accepting lodging requests. This home away from home provides free, non-medical lodging for cancer patients and their caregivers. Any person age 18 and over who have been diagnosed with cancer and is actively receiving outpatient cancer treatment in Iowa City at the University of Iowa Health Care - Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center, Mercy Hospital or the VA Hospital are eligible to stay at the Hope Lodge on a first come first served basis.

The facility, located next to Carver-Hawkeye Arena and the Ronald McDonald House, is owned and operated by the American Cancer Society. For more information or referrals, contact the Hope Lodge at 319-248-5400. More pictures are available at the end of the newsletter.



CCC Tools

National Comprehensive Cancer Control Partners Host Webinar Series

National CCC partners hosted a three part Webinar series focusing on implementation of comprehensive cancer control at the local level. Presentation from these sessions are available at: [CCC Implementation Webinars](#).

PLANET: Guide to Cancer Control Planning Topic for November Understanding NCI Teleconference

OAR is pleased to continue its Fall 2008 Understanding NCI: Toll-Free Teleconference with a discussion on *P.L.A.N.E.T.: 5-Step Guide to Cancer Control Planning & Programming*. The featured speaker is Cynthia Vinson, Dissemination and Diffusion Coordinator in NCI's Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences. Toll-free playback will be available through December 12 at (866) 434-5243. For more information about P.L.A.N.E.T., visit <http://cancercontrolplanet.cancer.gov/>.

American Indian/Alaska Native Cancer Data

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has released the most comprehensive cancer data available for American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) across the United States. Cancer incidence rates, especially lung and colorectal, among AI/AN men and women varied greatly across six geographic regions of the country (Alaska, East, Northern Plains, Pacific Coast, Southern Plains, and Southwest). These findings, "Cancer Incidence in American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) Populations", appear in the September 1, 2008 supplement to *Cancer*.

The publication, available at <http://www.interscience.wiley.com/cancer>, represents a significant collaboration among researchers at CDC, NCI, state cancer registries, academic centers, and tribal organizations.

Cancer in the News

Research Reveals Why Tamoxifen Doesn't Always Work [read more...](#)

Tests Could Predict Benefit From Cancer Drugs [read more...](#)

Prostate Cancer Not Warded Off by Supplements [read more...](#)

Doctors Lack Smoking Cessation Training: Study finds most get less than 5 hours instruction, likely affecting patients' quit rates [read more...](#)

U.S. Urged to Renew the War on Cancer [read more...](#)

Cervical Cancer Vaccine Called Safe [read more...](#)

Delving Deeper into Exercise and Breast Cancer Prevention [read more...](#)

New Cancer Patients Retain Little Medical Information: Those with poorest prognosis remember the least, study finds [read more...](#)

No Overall Caffeine-Breast Cancer Link [read more...](#)

25% of Teen Girls Vaccinated for HPV: It's a good start for new vaccine, CDC says [read more...](#)

New DNA Stool Testing Spots More Colon Cancers: Study found it detected twice as many malignancies, serious precancerous polyps [read more...](#)

Patients Reach Across the Web, Find Help, Support [read more...](#)

Initiative to Speed Clinical Trial Negotiations Moves Forward [read more...](#)

Funding Opportunities

Communities as Partners RFP

ENACCT and CCPH are proud to announce the plans for the dissemination phase of the *Communities as Partners* project. They are offering one-year seed grants of up to \$8000 for "implementation partners." The request for proposals can be found on the project website. www.communitiesaspartners.org.

Please note that proposals are due **Friday, December 5th**.

Prevent Cancer Foundation Community Grants

The purpose of Prevent Cancer Foundation Community Grants is to support community programs across the United States for all populations that focus on helping people prevent cancer, finding it earlier, and demonstrate a potential to make a positive impact in the field of cancer prevention. The 2009 cycle includes two levels of funding: One-year \$25,000 award and a one-time only \$5,000 award. Application Deadline is **December 17, 2008**.

For more information see . . .

[\\$5,000 Grant Guidelines and Application](#) [\\$5,000 FAQs](#)

[\\$25,000 Grant Guidelines and Application](#)

Hope Lodge Opens in Iowa City



Clockwise from top left- One of the many family rooms at Hope Lodge; library; guest room; shared kitchen area; registration area.