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FY 2011 ICC Grants

The ICC received the largest number of state plan implementation proposals in its history. Seventeen proposals were submitted to the Iowa Cancer Consortium in response to the FY2011 Invitation for Proposals. Proposals have been scored by comprehensive cancer control experts from outside of Iowa and will be reviewed by the ICC Board of Directors on June 4th. Applicants will be notified of the Board's decision by June 15th. The project period for FY 2011 runs from July 1, 2010 – June 1, 2011.

Over 50 Attend Native American Relationship Building Session

Fifty-three Iowans attended a two-day course on relationship building with Native American communities. The course covered Native American health statistics, introduction to Native American culture, Tribal sovereignty, health messaging for Native American populations and working with Tribes and Tribal organizations.

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the event a success. If you are interested in learning more about the training or future programs please contact Sara Comstock, Comstock@CancerIowa.org. The training was provided through a collaborative effort between the ICC Northern Plains Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, IDPH Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, IDPH Office of Multicultural Health, and the Iowa Commission on Native American Affairs.

ICC FY 2010 Annual Report

The Iowa Cancer Consortium will be collecting reports on comprehensive cancer control activities that took place between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010. If you are an ICC member organization and would like to have your CCC activities included please contact Sara Comstock for more information.

New Members

The ICC would like to welcome new members for the final quarter of FY2010:

Daniel Hoffman-Zinnel, Proteus
Jim Doolittle, Linn County Public Health Department
Rachel Schramm, Iowa Department of Public Health
Meghan Kloubec, Aim Healthcare Reutzel Pharmacy
Erin Sullivan Wagner, Chapter One

Upcoming Events

Contact Comstock@CancerIowa.org for information on any of the listed events.

June 4th

ICC Board Meeting
Des Moines, Iowa

September 20 & 21, 2010
Iowa Cancer Summit
West Des Moines, Iowa

Iowa Cancer Consortium Resources

ICC Outreach

As members of the Iowa Cancer Consortium we rely on you to spread the word about the Consortium and the resources we offer to all Iowans. This summer it is our goal to provide all of our members the opportunity to provide information and resources to colleagues, patients and the public in your area of the state.

Please contact [Sara Comstock](#) if you would be willing to include information about the ICC in your next presentation to the public, patients or healthcare professionals. The ICC can provide sample slides for a PowerPoint Presentation, ICC membership materials and materials on specific cancer sites/topics.

Some of the resources we have are:

Resource	Audience	Cost	Available
www.CancerIowa.org	General Public, Cancer Patients/Caregivers, Health Professionals	FREE	Web cards available for public displays or www.CancerIowa.org 1-800-237-1225
Iowa Cancer Resources: A Guide to Participating in Clinical Trials	Cancer Patients/Caregivers/Family	FREE	Hard copies available or: Iowa Cancer Clinical Trials Guide
Iowa Cancer MAPS (Mentors Assisting and Preparing Survivors)	Cancer Patients/Caregivers/Family	FREE	1-888-994-MAPS (6277) www.IowaCancerMaps.org
Palliative Care DVD	Cancer Patients/Caregivers/Family	FREE	Available in DVD format or online: Palliative Care Video
ICC Membership Materials	General Public, Cancer Patients/Caregivers, Health Professionals	FREE	Membership Brochure, State Cancer Plan Comstock@CancerIowa.org 319-335-8144
Colorectal Cancer Screening Social Marketing Materials	Campaigns have a focus on: Rural Iowans African Americans Latinos (materials are in Spanish)	FREE	Hard copies are available or download at: http://www.canceriowa.org/news/default.asp
Iowa Cancer Data Reports	General Public, Cancer Patients/Caregivers, Health Professionals	FREE	Hard copies are available or download at: The Changing Face of Cancer in Iowa 2009 Iowa Cancer Health Disparities 2008

The ICC has access to resources and materials for:

- Site-specific cancers
- Prevention
- Screening
- Treatment
- Clinical trials
- Survivorship.

Please contact [Sara Comstock](#) for more information.

2010 Iowa Cancer Summit
Working Together to Conquer Cancer
West Des Moines Marriott

Monday, September 20th - Tentative

9:00 - 12:00	Cancer Education Networking Event
12:00 - 12:45	Evaluating Cancer Outreach Strategies
12:30 - 1:00	Registration
1:00 - 5:00	ICC Membership Meeting
5:00 - 6:30	Reception

Tuesday, September 21st - Tentative

7:30 - 8:00	Registration
8:00 - 9:00	Opening Keynote: Dr. Alan Thorson
9:10 - 10:00	Breakout Session I: Track 1: <i>Using Coalitions to Reach Diverse Communities with Health Messages</i> Track 2: <i>Reducing the Burden of Colon Cancer in Iowa</i> Track 3: <i>Cancer Genetics Programs: Creation, Implementation and Evaluation</i>
10:20 - 11:10	Breakout Session II: Track 1: <i>The Iowa HPV Vaccination Project: Reducing the Barriers to Care in the Family Planning Clinic Setting</i> Track 2: <i>Cancer Screening Update Panel</i>
11:15 - 12:05	Breakout Session III: Track 1: <i>Environmental Factors in Cancer Prevention: Radon</i> Track 2: <i>Screening the Insured</i> Track 3: <i>Iowa Cancer MAPS: Train the Trainer</i>
12:05 - 1:00	Lunch/Keynote Address: <i>Advocacy vs. Lobbying</i>
1:00 - 1:50	Breakout Session IV: Track 1: <i>Pink Shawl Project: Honoring Women of the Sweet Grass Path</i> Track 2: <i>Review of Agricultural Health Study</i> Track 3: <i>Models of Wellness: Implementing, Sustaining and Evaluating Cancer Wellness Programs</i>
2:10 - 3:00	Breakout Session V: Track 1: <i>Survivorship & the Young Adult</i> Track 2: <i>Update on Cancer Research in Iowa</i> Track 3: <i>Multicultural Considerations in Breast Cancer Survivorship Care</i>
3:00 - 4:00	Keynote: Dr. Kenneth Pituch
4:00 - 4:15	Wrap Up/Adjourn

www.CancerIowa.org/Summit

Iowa Department of Public Health 2010 Legislative Session Wrap Up

Please visit the IDPH Legislative Update webpage for 2010 session wrap-up documents. Available is a PowerPoint presentation on the 2010 session and a detailed summary of bills of IDPH interest enacted this past session.

The Legislative Update webpage is at the following link

http://www.idph.state.ia.us/adper/legislative_updates.asp

UI Researcher Comments on National Report's Radon Recommendations

A report recently released by the President's Cancer Panel focuses on underestimated cancer risks related to environmental contaminants and other harmful exposures, including radon. The report, "Reducing Environmental Cancer Risk: What We Can Do Now," notes that "the cancer risk attributable to residential radon exposure has been clearly demonstrated and must be better addressed." [read more](#)



CANCER SURVIVOR EVENT FOR YOUNG WOMEN and the Loved Ones That Support Them Tuesday, June 8, 2010

Meet, Mingle and Learn
with other young women who have
"walked in your shoes".

This FREE event is open to all young women living with cancer. For this special evening, please invite your support group of loved ones and caregivers to meet with other support groups to discuss how cancer impacts relationships.

Activities are planned from 4:30 to 7:00, but come and go as your schedule allows. Refreshments (including sandwiches) are donated by Panera Bread. **Free Childcare**

4:30-5:00 pm	Refreshments and Table Discussion Begins
5:00-6:30 pm	Discussion Tables for Survivors
5:30-6:15 pm	Tom Eachus & Jeanne Mullen, Social Workers Lean on Me: How Cancer Impacts Relationships for Our Loved Ones and Caregivers
6:30-7:00 pm	Survivors and Caregivers Together for Overview by Social Workers

Join us on Tuesday, June 8, at the Area Education Agency, 3712 Cedar Heights, Cedar Falls from 4:30 - 7:00 pm.

Event sponsored by Beyond Pink TEAM
Contact Emily Hodgin with questions:
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Cancer Control Resources

Family Support Nutrition & Physical Activity Training

Wednesday, June 2nd
Carroll, Iowa
Carrollton Inn
8:30 – 3:30

Thursday, June 10th
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Kirkwood Community College
8:30 – 3:30

FREE REGISTRATION
Lunch Included!

Topics Include:

- Nutrition Education in Family Support
- Nutrition and Physical Activity for 0-2 year-olds
- MyPyramid for You
- Nutrition and Physical Activity for 3-5 year-olds
- Hands-on Stations
 - Real-life Physical Activity
 - Nutrition and Oral Health
 - Healthy Snacks
 - Family Meals on a Budget
- Family Meals and Meal Planning

RSVP to Dennis Haney:
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Staying Safe in the Summer Sun

Top sunscreen? New report ranks best Target brand beats pricier options, Consumer Reports says

To get protection from the sun's damaging rays, you won't have to dig deep in your wallet this summer. One of the most effective sunscreens on store shelves is also one of the least expensive, according to a new Consumer Reports study. Up & Up Sport Continuous, which sells at Target for less than \$10 for two 6-ounce containers, won top honors for being the "Best Buy" sunscreen. [read more...](#)



President Obama to Appoint Harold Varmus, M.D., to Lead NCI

President Barack Obama announced his intent to appoint Harold Varmus, M.D., to serve as Director of the National Cancer Institute (NCI).

In an e-mail to the NCI staff, Francis Collins, M.D., Ph.D., Director of the National Institutes of Health, said that Varmus "brings unmatched expertise at all levels - not only in cutting edge scientific research, but also as a leader in the development of strategies for improving patient care, in scientific education and training, and in the design of novel public-private partnerships."

For more information, visit the [National Cancer Institute](http://www.fda.gov/oc/nci).

Funding Opportunities

American Cancer Society, Midwest Division, Community-Based Participatory Research Grants Announced

The purpose of the CBPR Grants Program of the Midwest Division is to foster collaborative partnerships between community members, researchers, and the American Cancer Society to develop, evaluate and disseminate effective interventions and programs designed to reduce the cancer burden, with a special focus on health disparities.

Program Priorities

- Proposals must address cancer health disparities
- Program priorities are those of the Midwest Division and include:
 - Breast and/or cervical cancer screening and early detection
 - Colorectal screening and early detection
 - Quality of life
 - Access to care
 - Tobacco use reduction

Funding Parameters

- Grants will be awarded in amounts up to \$25,000 per year or up to \$50,000 for two years
- The initial phase of a two-year proposal may be a planning period

Timeline

- Requests for Letters of Intent announced May 17, 2010
- Letters of Intent due on June 14, 2010

<http://www.cancermw.org/research/cbprgrants/>

NORTHERN PLAINS COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CONTROL PROGRAM (NPCCCP) 2010/2011 Community Grants

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. Organizations that apply may use a fiscal agent, if needed.

Number of Awards and Amount

Applicants may ask for up to \$5,000. The total number of grants awarded and the final amounts are dependent upon the availability of funds, but it is expected at least 3-4 awards will be made.

Application Dates and Form of Submission:

RFP Announcement: **May 11th, 2010**

Application Deadline (must be received by NPCCCP staff by): **June 14th, 2010**

Award Notices will be sent by email to the primary contact by: **July 12th, 2010**

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