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<p>Health Equity</p>	<p>Identify and eliminate cancer health disparities.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase the coalition’s capacity to reduce the burden of cancer for all lowans (link). 2. Increase the number of lowans with access to quality health care (link). 3. Prioritize health improvement approaches which engage, center, and benefit populations and communities at highest risk of health-related inequities (link). 4. Invest in and diversify Iowa’s oncology workforce (link).
<p>Prevention and Risk Reduction</p>	<p>Whenever possible, prevent cancer from occurring.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduce exposure to tobacco and secondhand smoke (link). 2. Enhance opportunities for lowans to access nutritious food and be physically active (link). 3. Decrease alcohol consumption (link). 4. Increase immunization rates for vaccines shown to reduce the risk of cancer and protect cancer patients from preventable diseases (link). 5. Prevent, diagnose, and treat hepatitis C virus (HCV) (link). 6. Reduce exposure to environmental carcinogens (link). 7. Decrease exposure to radon (link). 8. Reduce exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun and indoor tanning devices (link).
<p>Screening and Early Detection</p>	<p>Promote the benefits of screening tests to ensure early diagnosis.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase awareness of recommended cancer screenings (link). 2. Empower health care systems to strengthen cancer screening and diagnostic services (link). 3. Support strategies to increase access to cancer screening and diagnostic services (link). 4. Increase access to cancer risk assessment and genetic counseling services (link). 5. Enhance awareness and research support for the early detection of ovarian cancer (link).
<p>Diagnosis and Cancer-Directed Therapy</p>	<p>Reduce barriers to care, promote evidence-based practices, and encourage participation in clinical trials and other forms of research.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase access to quality, evidence-based cancer treatment and affirming care (link). 2. Increase access to targeted therapy options for lowans, including biomarker testing (link). 3. Enhance patient support services within the clinic (link). 4. Empower patients and providers to communicate about advance care planning early in the cancer treatment journey (link). 5. Increase patient and caregiver access to non-clinical support services (link).



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">6. Enhance awareness of and participation in cancer research of all types, and accelerate scientific findings into policy and practice (link).7. Ensure early access to palliative care (link).8. Provide high-quality pediatric oncology care (link).9. Provide high-quality adolescent and young adult (AYA) oncology care (link).
Survivorship and End-of-Life Care	<p>Ensure resources to optimize quality of life for cancer survivors and their families.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Utilize best-practices to support a cancer patient's transition from active treatment to post-treatment care (link).2. Increase provider, patient, and caregiver awareness of the importance of cancer risk reduction behaviors and cancer screening for cancer survivors (link).3. Achieve excellent quality of life for all lowans with cancer and their caregivers (link).4. Improve long-term follow-up care for childhood cancer survivors (link).5. Increase availability and access to quality end-of-life care (link).