

# SD Cancer Coalition January Newsletter



## Cancer Coalition to Host Webinar on Evidence-Based Interventions

You hear the term "evidence-based interventions" often, but do you really understand what it means? Join the Cancer Coalition on Wednesday, February 6th at 12:00 CT for a webinar titled, "Evidence-Based Interventions for Cancer Prevention & Control." Sandra Melstad, MPH, SLM Consulting, LLC will be presenting, along with Lindsey Karlson, Director of Quality Improvement at Horizon Health Care.

[Click here](#) to register, and be watching for additional webinar opportunities throughout the year.



**Wednesday,  
February 6 at  
12:00pm CT**

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## Task Force Updates

**Increasing HPV Vaccination Rates (Priority 6) - Chaired by [Sarah Quail](#):** The HPV Task Force released an RFA for Post-Secondary Schools to increase education about the HPV Vaccine. Student organizations, pre-professional clubs, other campus groups, and faculty are invited to apply for up to \$500 to implement one or more of the following strategies: showing the Someone You Love film and hosting a panel session, HPV vaccination curriculum enhancement, group education, and/or other ideas to promote HPV vaccination on your campus. Applications are due February 15, with a project period of March 1 - September 30, 2019.

**Early Detection Health Equity (Priorities 7-10) - Chaired by [Stacey Burnette](#):** The Early Detection Health Equity Task Force is focusing their work around the following three strategies: 1) to develop and deliver appropriate lung cancer prevention messages to increase awareness of appropriate screening protocols and quality care standards, 2) to develop and promote the use of culturally-tailored testimonials of cancer survivors., and 3) to promote low-or-no-cost breast and cervical cancer screening programs and identify access to care solutions. Subgroups for each strategy are working on activities to support each strategy.

**Promote Patient-Centered Care that Enhances Quality of Life for All Cancer Survivors (Priority 13) - Chaired by [Lexi Pugsley](#):** The goal of the Cancer Survivorship Task Force is to enhance quality of life for cancer survivors. The task force completed a priority setting process and determined three primary strategy focus areas, which include promoting referrals for cancer survivors and care givers to the SD Better Choices, Better Health (BCBH) program, enhancing referrals and education related to tobacco cessation for cancer survivors, and providing education to primary care providers regarding best practices for cancer survivorship care. Key activities identified to date include providing funding and support to cancer treatment centers to support survivorship efforts as well as referral efforts to BCBH and tobacco cessation services, providing professional development to healthcare providers, and implementing cancer survivor messages into public awareness efforts.

*Interested in the work being done by one or more of the above task forces? It's not too late to join! Email the chair to learn more about how you can get involved.*

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## 2019 Colorectal Cancer Achievement Awards

The SD Comprehensive Cancer Control Program and SD Colorectal Cancer Control Program has released the nomination link for the **2019 Colorectal Cancer Achievement Awards**. This year there are three award categories: 1) Champion of the Year, 2) Organization of the Year, and 3) Innovator of the Year. To nominate an individual or organization, simply click on the link: [2019 CRC Achievement Awards](#). You do not need to submit a nomination in each category. Organizations can self-nominate or be nominated by a partner. Important dates are listed below.

## New Survivorship Resource

With over 15.5 million cancer survivors in the US, it is critical to identify and address the public health needs of this population. The Comprehensive Cancer Control National Partnership recently released a new resource compendium on healthy behaviors for cancer survivors, including nutrition, physical activity, tobacco cessation and much more. Learn more here:

[Healthy Behaviors for Cancer Survivors: Resources and Opportunities to Make an Impact.](#)



## All Women Count! Program Updates

The SD Department of Health's All Women Count! Program provides low-income, uninsured, and uninsured women access to timely breast and cervical cancer screening and diagnostic services. The program updated their forms effective January 1, 2019. An informational webinar was held to discuss changes to the forms as well as other program updates. To view a recording of the webinar and learn more about changes, visit [getscreened.sd.gov/count/](http://getscreened.sd.gov/count/).

## Lung Cancer Screening: A Summary Guide for Primary Care Clinicians

Primary care clinicians play a key role in determining the eligibility of patients for lung cancer screening, ensuring patients understand the benefits and harms of lung cancer screening, and working with patients to make decisions about screening that are consistent with the patients' values. Currently annual screening with low-dose computed tomography (LDCT) is the only recommended screening strategy for lung cancer. This [Lung Cancer Screening Guide](#) from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality gives providers an overview of the recommended lung cancer screening test.



## New Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans

On November 12, 2018, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services released the [Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans, 2nd edition](#), which outlines the amounts and types of physical activity needed to maintain or improve overall health and reduce the risk of chronic disease. The document also highlights new benefits of physical activity and tested strategies that can be used to get all Americans more active.

## Helping Providers Improve Mental Health Care for Cancer Survivors

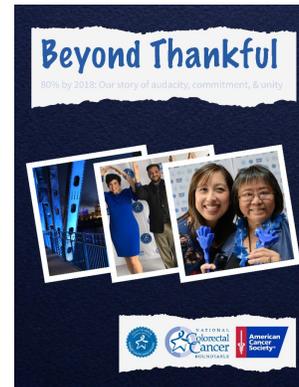
Mental distress can negatively affect the overall well-being and health outcomes of cancer survivors. About three out of every four cancer survivors experiences mental distress. Unfortunately, one-third or fewer cancer survivors have talked to their doctor about their mental health needs or concerns. Distress screening is recommended for cancer patients in all clinical settings, and is required in facilities accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer. CDC's Division of Cancer Prevention and Control and the NACDD partnered with Kognito to create Provider Education for

Mental Health Care of Cancer Survivors (EMHCCS) Training. This free, web-based interactive training lets providers engage in role-play conversations to try different approaches for discussing mental health concerns identified through distress screening. The training also includes access to resources such as the Patient Provider Communication Video Series and distress management guidelines and recommendations. This training has received CME accreditation. [Learn more and access the EMHCCS training.](#)

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## Beyond Thankful: 80% by 2018

The *80% by 2018 Beyond Thankful* report tells the story of the collective ambition, commitment, and unity during the course of the 80% by 2018 campaign to increase colorectal cancer screening rates across the nation. Since the launch of the campaign in March 2014, over 1,700 organizations have signed the 80% by 2018 pledge, including at least 37 in South Dakota. Read more and download the report [here](#).



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## Surveillance for Cancers Associated with Tobacco Use - United States, 2010-2014

CDC's Division of Cancer Prevention and Control and the Office on Smoking and Health released the following article in CDC's journal, *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)*. **Surveillance for Cancers Associated with Tobacco Use - United States, 2010-2014** provides a comprehensive assessment of recent tobacco-associated cancer incidence for each cancer type by sex, age, race/ethnicity, metropolitan county classification, tumor characteristics, U.S. census region, and state. The article is available online [here](#).

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