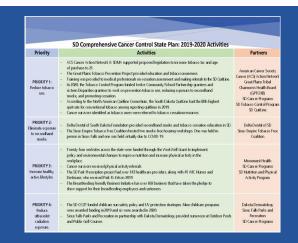


June 2021 Cancer Coalition Newsletter



State Plan Reporting

This is your last opportunity to share the work your organization has done over the past year to contribute to progress in the SD Cancer Plan. If you want to be featured in the 2020-2021 State Plan Report, please complete the <u>State Plan Reporting Form</u> no later than June 30. Click the image at left to view last year's report.

2021 USPSTF Colorectal Cancer Screening Recommendation Lowers Screening Age from 50 to 45

The United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) released a <u>final Recommendation</u>, <u>Evidence Summary</u>, and <u>Modeling Study on screening for colorectal cancer</u>. The primary difference from the previous 2016 recommendation is that average risk adults are now recommended to start screening at age 45. The recommendation to begin screening at age 45 follows a growing body of research indicating a rising incidence of colorectal cancer in young adults as incidence declines in older age groups. The median age of diagnosis has dropped from age 72 in 2001-2002 to age 66 during 2015-2016. Half of all new diagnoses are in people 66 or younger.

USPSTF Updates Lung Cancer Screening Recommendation

The USPSTF released a <u>final recommendation statement</u> on screening for lung cancer. The task force found new evidence that shows screening can help more people at high risk. Based on a review of evidence, the task force recommends annual screening for lung cancer with low-dose CT in adults ages 50 to 80 who have a 20 pack-year smoking history and currently smoke or have quit within the past 15 years. Screening should be discontinued once a person has not smoked for 15 years or develops a health problem that substantially limits life expectancy or the ability or willingness to have a curative lung surgery.

Grantee Spotlight: Avera Health

Despite widespread calls for advance care planning with cancer patients, this practice often falls short in real-world settings. Research suggests this is the result of a myriad of factors, including but not limited to, the presence of institutional policies, the population of benchmark reporting, staff education, and staff time. The SD Comprehensive Cancer Control Program funded the Avera Cancer Institute in Sioux Falls to implement workflow enhancements, policy adoption, and professional education to expand advanced care planning

services for patients with metastatic breast cancer. The project addressed each of these barriers in order to promote advance care planning among cancer patients with metastatic disease. Key components of this project included forming an implementation team of core stakeholders, setting a regular meeting schedule, developing benchmarking capabilities, disseminating institutional policies, deploying staff, and patient education. By the end of the project, 100% of infusion nurses were trained on palliative care and 19% of patients with metastatic breast cancer had an advanced care plan documented within their medical record. Avera plans to expand this project across the health system to its six cancer programs.

Task Force Updates

The **Implementation Grantee Task Force** has identified three strategies to implement: 1) Enhance the application process to better support applicants, 2) Implement a grantee learning collaborative, and 3) Promote grantee collaboration with the SD Cancer Coalition. To support strategy one, the task force enhanced the application process for the coalition implementation grant request to include inclusion of a preapplication meeting, dedicated support staff, and expanded resources. To support strategy two, a learning collaborative is being planned and will be implemented in the summer of 2021 to facilitate best practice sharing among grantees. Key topics include: assessing evidence, adapting interventions to fit the population, data analysis and dissemination, and health equity. To support strategy three, grantees were connected with associated coalition task forces, grantees were required to present at coalition meetings, and a grantee spotlight has been added to the coalition newsletter.

The **HPV Vaccination Task Force** partnered with Delta Dental to host a 2-hour lecture at the SD Dental Association Meeting on May 13 titled "Oropharyngeal Cancer and HPV Prevention". Dr. Denis Miller (Oral Surgeon), Dr. Mary Milroy (Clinical Professor of Surgery), and Randy Anderson (Oral Cancer Survivor) were the featured speakers. The breakout session was very well attended, with approximately 220 Dental Professionals in attendance. Two continuing education credits were offered as part of the lecture. In addition, the task force developed a one-page infographic for providers and healthcare professionals to encourage getting adolescents back in the clinic to catch up on missed HPV vaccinations due to COVID-19. This infographic has been placed in the SD State Medical Association Annual Meeting program materials.

The **Early Detection Health Equity Task Force** is reviewing recent United States Preventative Services Task Force (USPSTF) recommendations for lung cancer screening and colorectal cancer screening. The lung cancer and colorectal cancer screening rack cards are being updated based on the expanded age eligibility.

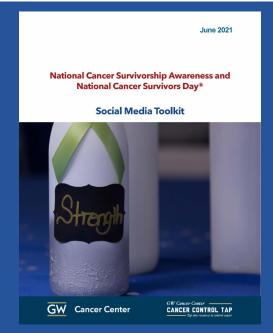
2021 SD Colorectal Cancer Achievement Awards

The SD Cancer Coalition is proud to announce the winners of the 2021 South Dakota Colorectal Cancer Achievement Awards. The award recognizes an individual and organization that has dedicated their time and talent to improving colorectal cancer screening. The **2021 Champion of the Year** was awarded to Jacob Quail, MD (pictured bottom left). Since Dr. Quail started at the Sanford Health Medical Clinic in Vermillion in August 2020 (6 months), he has completed more colonoscopies than was done in an entire year previously. His engagement with the community is a big driver behind getting patients caught up on screening. The **2021 Organization of the Year** was awarded to the Great Plains Colorectal Cancer Screening Initiative (GPCCSI), pictured

bottom right. The GPCCSI has worked for the last 5 years to increase CRC screening in over 18 tribal communities of the Great Plains by: 1. Developing an interactive Provider Assessment 2. Creating a sustainability toolkit 3. The development of many AI/AN CRC videos. Congratulations to our 2021 awardees!







National Cancer Survivorship Awareness and National Cancer Survivors Day Social Media Toolkit

Through funding and support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the GW Cancer Center has updated its cancer survivorship awareness social media toolkit! The toolkit offers tips for getting started on social media and sample messaging for Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook, including new messaging around COVID-19. Download the toolkit today and use it in June or any time throughout the year!

Supporting Cancer Patients and Survivors Through Implementation of Evidence-Based Palliative Care Interventions

The South Dakota Department of Health Cancer Programs partnered with Sanford Cancer Center to implement an outpatient palliative care navigation program, workflow, and referral process for cancer patients. The cancer treatment center increased system changes and the provision of palliative care services for cancer patients and survivors through project implementation.

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Susan G. Komen Resources

Susan G. Komen's helpline team is there to support those in need of breast cancer information, support and resources. If you or a loved one needs information about breast health or breast cancer, call the <u>breast care helpline</u> to speak with a specially trained oncology social worker or specialist.

In addition, the Komen Treatment Assistance Program is available to help

those struggling with the costs of breast cancer treatment. While medical treatment and care will be the primary cost associated with breast cancer, there are other costs that prevent an individual from receiving the care they need. Learn more here.

South Dakota Community Health Worker Toolkit

The Community Health Worker Collaborative of South Dakota (CHWSD) has developed a toolkit that provides organizations and health systems with resources to hire and integrate CHWs into their teams. The toolkit is free to use and can be accessed in either a self-paced format or as a continuing education course. Individuals who complete the continuing education version of the toolkit are eligible to receive 2 free CEUs. Check it out!



South Dakota Cancer Registry Gold Certification

Congratulations to the South Dakota Cancer Registry who received gold certification from the North American Association of Cancer Registries (NAACCR) for the quality, timeliness, and completeness of data for 2018.





