

Outcomes of the 2021-2025 South Dakota Cancer Plan





The South Dakota Comprehensive Cancer Control State Plan 2021-2025 is the result of a collaborative planning process undertaken by the South Dakota Department of Health's Comprehensive Cancer Control Program (SD CCCP), South Dakota Cancer Coalition, and other cancer prevention and control interest holders in South Dakota (SD). Interest holders were involved in the planning process through surveys, a best practice review, key informant interviews, a plan advisory committee, and virtual feedback sessions. This is the fourth state cancer plan developed by this diverse statewide group.

The SD Cancer Plan provides a framework for action and a collaborative road map for organizations and individuals in all sectors and regions of South Dakota to reduce the burden of cancer. Dedication and collaboration are essential to achieve the goals and objectives identified within the plan. The plan consists of 12 priority areas, which correspond to the six overarching plan goals. To ensure progress, the plan also outlines measurable objectives for each priority area. The plan focuses on evidence-based strategies but does not include activity level information to ensure the plan remains relevant and adaptable. The plan is designed so anyone can implement efforts to reduce the burden of cancer in SD.

The outcomes reported throughout the remainder of this document celebrate the activities and achievements resulting from the dedication and collaboration of interest holders statewide, working together to reduce the burden of cancer and decrease the impact of this devastating disease on South Dakotans.

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Priority 1: Reduce Tobacco Use and Exposure

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to reduce tobacco use in South Dakota.

- ACS Cancer Action Network & SDMA supported proposed legislation to increase tobacco tax and age of purchase to 21.
- The Great Plains Tobacco Prevention Project provided education and tobacco awareness.
- Training was provided to medical professionals on cessation assessment and making referrals to the SD QuitLine. Cancer survivors identified as tobacco users were referred to tobacco cessation resources.
- The SD Quitline provides targeted information to clients on recommended lung cancer screening for current and former tobacco users. From January 2021 to December 2025, the SD Quitline sent 2,252 outbound text messages to clients regarding lung cancer screening.
- Delta Dental of South Dakota Foundation provided secondhand smoke and tobacco cessation education.
- In 2023, The SD Tobacco Control Program released the “SD Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing Toolkit”.
- In 2024, the SD Tobacco Control Program released the “K-12 & Youth Toolkit”.
- From 2020-2024, the Tobacco Control Program has funded 33 community/school partnerships grantees, 24 youth/community engagement grantees, and 63 disparities grantees.
- From 2020-2025, The Sioux Empire Coalition has received Disparity Grant funds to host a virtual vape/smoke-free multi-unit housing summit. Throughout the years, the summit has hosted 273 participants from a variety of communities across South Dakota. There are a total of 5,963 noted smoke/vape free rental units in Sioux Falls and another 5,502 rental units throughout South Dakota.
- From 2023-2025, the Tobacco Youth and Community Engagement awardees helped strengthen 13 tobacco-free policies to promote tobacco-free environments. The Tobacco Control Program assisted secondary-schools on updating and strengthening their tobacco-free policies in 2025.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 1, including:

- American Cancer Society (ACS) Cancer Action Network
- Delta Dental of SD
- Great Plains Tribal Chairmen’s Health Board (GPTCHB)
- SD Cancer Programs
- SD Tobacco Control Program
- SD QuitLine
- Sioux Empire Tobacco Free Coalition



Priority 1: Reduce Tobacco Use and Exposure

Priority Action Highlight



A key success for Priority 1 was the development of the Youth Tobacco Prevention Toolkit. The toolkit is designed for all adults who work with youth, from educators to youth group/club organizers, who plan to implement youth-centered curricula and activities to prevent tobacco use. The toolkit covers key concepts, organized into 5 modules.

Module 1: Why Focus on Tobacco Prevention with Youth?

This module provides information on the wide array of tobacco products that youth are exposed to, trends in tobacco use among youth, the health risks of using any tobacco product, and factors contributing to youth tobacco use - including how the tobacco industry targets young people.

Module 2: Recommended Youth Tobacco Prevention Curricula:

This module introduces curricula to choose from, providing summary information and easy-to-navigate outlines of curriculum details to help leaders decide what would be a good match. External links are provided to find further information and to access materials for implementation.

Module 3: Fundable Youth Engagement Activities:

This module recommends youth engagement activities that empower youth, meet specific learning needs, and are fundable with SD TCP funding opportunities.

Module 4: Taking it a Step Further to Promote Prevention and Cessation:

This module identifies additional tobacco prevention and cessation strategies that leaders can collaborate with youth to implement in the wider community

Module 5: Resources & References:

This module offers resources and references for further reading by leaders. The user-friendly self-guided format allows leaders to complete the toolkit at their own pace and explore the external resources and tools as needed.

Priority 1: Reduce Tobacco Use and Exposure

Data Indicators

Objectives	Data source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
1.1.A Decrease the percentage of high school students who use tobacco from 29.7% to 20%.	SD YRBSC ^c	29.7% (2019)	N/A	N/A	16.5% (2021)	N/A	15.2% (2023)	20%
1.1.B Decrease the percentage of adults that use tobacco from 28% to 23%.	SD BRFSS ^a	28.0% (2018)	28.5% (2019)	28.1% (2020)	27.0% (2021)	22.2% (2022)	23.4% (2023)	23%
1.1.C Decrease the percentage of American Indian adults who use tobacco from 47.8% to 43%.	SD BRFSS ^a	47.8% (2016–2018)	49.1% (2017–2019)	51.7% (2018–2020)	52.3% (2019–2021)	47.7% (2020–2022)	47.6% (2021–2023)	43%
1.1.D Decrease the percentage of adult cancer survivors who use tobacco from 20.8% to 18%.	SD BRFSS ^a	20.8% (2018–2020)	N/A	N/A	19.8% (2019–2021)	18.7% (2020–2022)	14.8% (2021–2023)	18%
1.1.E Decrease the percentage of adults with income less than \$25,000 who use tobacco from 39.5% to 35.5%.	SD BRFSS ^a	39.5% (2018)	42.6% (2019)	43.8% (2020)	34.1% (2021)	24.8% (2022)	37.4% (2023)	35.5%
1.1.F Decrease the percentage of adults with no insurance who use tobacco from 57.8% to 52%.	SD BRFSS ^a	57.8% (2017–2018)	63.7% (2018–2019)	53.8% (2019–2020)	41.1% (2020–2021)	43.4% (2021–2022)	46.0% (2022–2023)	52%
1.2 Increase the percentage of adults advised by a doctor, nurse, or health professional to quit using tobacco in the past 12 months from 65.5% to 70%.	SD BRFSS ^a	65.5% (2020–2021)	N/A	N/A	N/A	66.0% (2021–2022)	69.5% (2022–2023)	70%
1.3 Increase the percentage of adults who report smoking is not allowed anywhere in their home from 85.8% to 94%.	SD BRFSS ^a	85.8% (2018)	87.7% (2019)	88.8% (2020)	88.1% (2021)	89.2% (2022)	88.0% (2023)	94%

Priority 2: Increase Healthy, Active Lifestyles

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to increase healthy, active lifestyles in South Dakota.

- From 2020-2025, the WorkWell grant annually awarded funding to worksites across the state to implement policy and environmental changes to improve nutrition and increase physical activity in the workplace. In total, 63 worksites were awarded.
- Cancer survivors received physical activity referrals.
- The SD Park Prescription project has 615 healthcare providers who received Park Rx Kits in the most recent year (2025).
- The Breastfeeding Friendly Business Initiative has over 664 business that have taken the pledge to show support for their breastfeeding employees and customers.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 2, including:

- Monument Health
- SD Cancer Programs
- SD Nutrition and Physical Activity Program



Priority 2: Increase Healthy, Active Lifestyles

Priority Action Highlight



A key success for Priority 2 continues to be the South Dakota Park Rx Project. South Dakota's medical professionals are invited to participate in the free Park Rx program and prescribe exercise for their patients. Within this program, health care providers prescribe a free one-day pass to any state park. This one-day pass can also be exchanged for a discounted annual pass. The South Dakota Park Prescription Project aligns with the vision of the Exercise Is Medicine initiative. The goal is to make physical activity and exercise a standard part of global disease prevention and treatment. Regular outdoor activity and exercise are proven to benefit both physical and mental health.

From 2020-2025, participation in the program increased from 32 healthcare providers in 2020 to 615 healthcare providers in 2025. The program is administered by the South Dakota Department of Health in partnership with South Dakota Game Fish & Parks and SDSU Extension.

Data Indicators

Objectives	Data source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
2.1.A Decrease the percentage of adults who are obese from 30.1% to 28.6%.	SD BRFSS ^a	30.1% (2018)	33.0% (2019)	33.2% (2020)	38.4% (2021)	36.8% (2022)	36.0% (2023)	28.6%
2.1.B Decrease the percentage of adults with an income less than \$25,000 who are obese from 35.3% to 33.5%.	SD BRFSS ^a	35.3% (2018)	36.9% (2019)	34.5% (2020)	42.1% (2021)	36.2% (2022)	32.5% (2023)	33.5%
2.1.C Decrease the percentage of school-age children and adolescents who are obese from 16.4% to 15.5%.	SD School Height and Weight ^b	16.4% (2018-2019)	19.6% (2019-2020)	20.8% (2020-2021)	18.2% (2021-2022)	18.7% (2022-2023)	18.9% (2023-2024)	15.5%
2.2. Increase the percentage of adults who have been physically active within the last month from 76% to 80%.	SD BRFSS ^a	76.0% (2018)	70.0% (2019)	77.6% (2020)	76.8% (2021)	76.6% (2022)	74.3% (2023)	80%

Priority 3: Reduce Ultraviolet Radiation Exposure

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to reduce ultraviolet radiation exposure in South Dakota.

- The SD CCCP continues to fund childcare sun safety policy and UV protection strategies. From 2020-2023, 20 childcare programs were awarded funding to implement a sun safety policy and UV protection strategies.
- Sioux Falls Parks and Recreation, in partnership with Dakota Dermatology, provided sunscreen at Outdoor Pools and Public Golf Courses.
- Dakota Dermatology provided sunscreen to all patrons at Levitt Sioux Falls concerts.
- Lewis Drug, Sanford Health, Avera Health, and Dakota Dermatology held free skin cancer screenings and distributed information on UV exposure on Melanoma Monday in May 2025.
- Sanford Health installed new shade structures at the Sanford Sports Complex in Sioux Falls.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 3, including:

- Dakota Dermatology
- Sioux Falls Parks and Recreation
- SD Cancer Programs
- Sanford Health
- Avera Health
- Lewis Drug



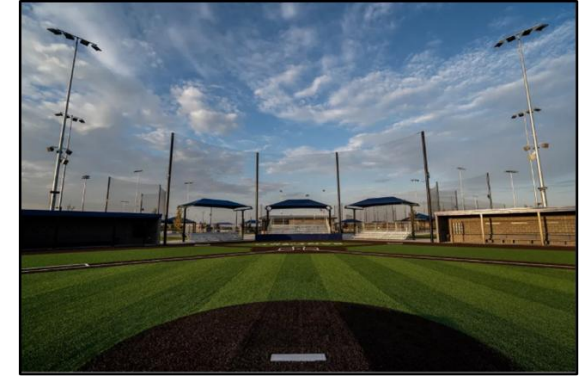
Priority 3: Reduce Ultraviolet Radiation Exposure

Priority Action Highlight



A key success for Priority 3 was a partnership between the city of Sioux Falls and Dakota Dermatology to provide sunscreen to guests at city pools and golf courses. Sunscreen and dispensers are available at all five outdoor aquatic facilities, McKennan wading Pool, as well as Elmwood, Prairie Green and Kuehn Park golf courses.

An additional success included the installation of new shade structures at the Sanford Sports Complex in Sioux Falls, courtesy of Sanford Health.



Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
3.1.A Increase the percentage of adults who always wear sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher when outside for more than one hour on a sunny day from 23.5% to 26%.	SD BRFSS ^a	23.5% (2018)	N/A	25.0% (2020)	N/A	24.6% (2022)	N/A	26%
3.1.B Increase the percent of youth in grades 9-12 who always wear sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher when outside for more than one hour on a sunny day from 13.9% to 15.3%.	SD YRBS ^c	13.9% (2019)	N/A	N/A	15.0% (2021)	N/A	19.8% (2023)	15.3%
3.2 Decrease the percentage of youth in grades 9-12 who used an indoor tanning device during the past 12 months from 9.2% to 8%.	SD YRBS ^c	9.2% (2019)	N/A	N/A	7.3% (2021)	N/A	6.7% (2023)	8.0%

Priority 4: Reduce Exposure to Environmental Carcinogens

Activities

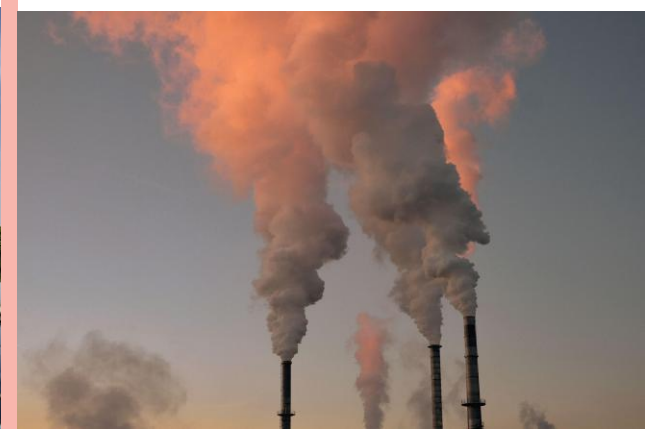
Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to reduce exposure to environmental carcinogens in South Dakota.

- From 2023-2025, the department of agriculture and natural resources supplied 1,111 radon kits for free in SD.
- ACS continues to support national research on limiting exposure to carcinogens
- Continued partnership to collect data on a volunteer basis for radon testing and mitigation in SD.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 4, including:

- American Cancer Society (ACS)
- SD Department of Energy and Natural Resources
- SD Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources



Priority 4: Reduce Exposure to Environmental Carcinogens

Priority Action Highlight

The South Dakota Department of Natural Resources provides 500 free radon test kits to residents of South Dakota, annually. Test kits are provided by the SD DANR- Air Quality and are funded with EPA and State grants, usually through the State Indoor Radon Grant. Residents can request a radon test kit by visiting states.aelabs.com/#/sd.



Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
4.1. Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of lung cancer from 58.3 to 53.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	58.3 (2013-2017)	57.5 (2014-2018)	56.2 (2015-2019)	55.2 (2016-2020)	54.2 (2017-2021)	53.1 (2018-2022)	53.0

Priority 5: Increase HPV Vaccination Rates

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to increase HPV vaccination rates in South Dakota.

- The HPV Vaccination 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 was placed in the SD State Medical Association Annual Meeting program materials.
- The American Cancer Society hosted clinician trainings on HPV vaccination.
- The HPV Vaccination Task Force updated the HPV vaccination infographic to include National Immunization Survey – Teen 2019 data, developed a postcard geared at educating adolescents on the importance of HPV vaccination, and distributed a letter to health care providers statewide encouraging the promotion of HPV vaccination at age 9.
- The HPV Vaccination Task Force partnered with Delta Dental of South Dakota to:
 - Host a two-hour lecture at the SD Dental Association Annual Meeting on May 13, 2021. The presentation was titled “Oropharyngeal Cancer and HPV Prevention”, and approximately 220 Dental Professionals were in attendance.
 - Present on HPV vaccination at the State Dental Hygiene Meeting in Sioux Falls in May 2023. Approximately 125 Dental Hygienists were in attendance for the presentation.
 - Distribute materials on HPV vaccination and head & neck cancers at the SD Dental Association annual meeting in May 2025.
- Through the efforts of the HPV Vaccination Task Force, the SD Department of Health cobranding a resource from the National HPV Vaccination Roundtable on vaccine coadministration for adolescents. The one-pager highlights HPV vaccination starting at age 9, which aligns with the new recommendations from AAP, ACS, and others.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 5, including:

- American Cancer Society
- Delta Dental of SD
- HPV Vaccination Task Force
- SD Dental Association
- Immunize SD
- Sanford Health
- Sanford School of Medicine at the University of South Dakota
- SD Dental Hygiene Association
- SD School Nurses Association



Priority 5: Increase HPV Vaccination Rates

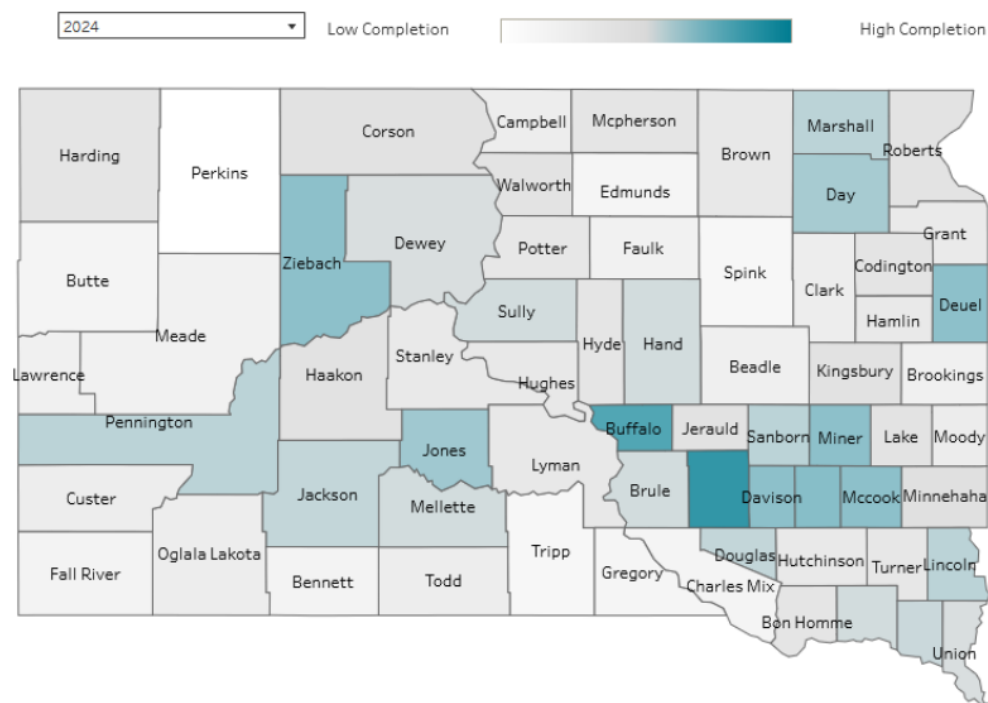
Activities (continued)

- A full-page ad, *Oropharyngeal Cancer and HPV Prevention in Children: 5 Key Points that Dental Professionals Need to Know*, was published in the meeting materials at the State Dental Association Meeting as well as in the SD Dental Association Newsletter.
- Immunize SD was awarded funding for a statewide 2 by 10 awareness campaign to increase HPV vaccination rates among 9-10 year olds. A total of 8,887 households received a reminder postcard, and approximately 225 healthcare professionals were reached through four webinar opportunities.
- A partnership between the SD Cancer Coalition and multiple Sanford Health rural clinics sites resulted in 24,302 HPV vaccination reminders being sent to male and female adolescents ages 9-12, resulting in a total of 4,756 vaccine doses administered.
- The HPV Vaccination Task Force partnered with Immunize SD to set up a speaker for an upcoming Grand Rounds to reach health care providers, medical students, and residents at the Sanford School of Medicine at the University of South Dakota.
- HPV Cancer Prevention in South Dakota* was developed and published online in August 2023.
- The HPV Vaccination Task Force partnered with Immunize SD and the SD School Nurses Association to present on HPV vaccination at the school nurses' annual conference in July 2024 in Chamberlain.
- The SD DOH launched the HPV Vaccination Dashboard to track and highlight HPV vaccination rates among 13-year-olds by county in South Dakota. The dashboard was promoted in the SD Public Health Bulletin and the Cancer Coalition Spring 2025 newsletter.



Priority 5: Increase HPV Vaccination Rates

Priority Action Highlight



Data Source: South Dakota Immunization Information System (IIS)

The South Dakota Department of Health launched the HPV Vaccination Dashboard to track and highlight HPV vaccination rates among 13-year-olds by county in South Dakota. This enhanced tool provides real-time insights into HPV vaccination rates in the state, offering a clear picture of local immunization coverage. A key feature of the updated dashboard is its detailed breakdown of vaccination progress. Users can now view the number of 13-year-olds who have completed the HPV vaccine series, as well as those who are just one dose away from full protection. These insights are vital for tracking vaccination trends and identifying opportunities to close immunization gaps. The dashboard empowers health officials, providers, and community leaders to pinpoint areas where additional outreach may be needed. The dashboard was promoted in the SD Public Health Bulletin and the Cancer Coalition Spring 2025 newsletter in an effort to help guide meaningful action to improve immunization rates and promote adolescent health across South Dakota.

Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
5.1. Increase the percentage of adolescent males and females ages 13-17 in South Dakota who are up-to-date on the HPV vaccine series from 49.5% to 80%.	National Immunization Survey Teen ^e	49.5% (2018)	61.2% (2019)	71.5% (2020)	74.7% (2021)	68.3% (2022)	72.3% (2023)	80%

Priority 6: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Breast Cancer

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to increase risk appropriate screening for breast cancer in South Dakota.

- The All Women Count! (AWC!) program hosts a training webinar each year for participating clinic sites to review program eligibility and forms.
- The Great Plains Honor Every Woman (HEW) Program is implementing efforts to increase breast cancer screening rates.
- Susan G. Komen funded a grant to SD AWC! to screen 148 unique women, aged 30-49 who are uninsured or underinsured, for breast cancer. Of those women, 20 went on to receive diagnostic services after an abnormal screening.
- The SD BCCEDP partnered with the 211 Helpline Center to navigate more than 200 female callers between the ages of 30-64 to breast and cervical cancer screening.
- A breast cancer infographic was placed in the SD Medical Association Journal in October from 2020-2023 for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 6, including:

- American Breast Cancer Foundation
- Faulkton Area Medical Center
- Great Plains Honor Every Woman (HEW)
- Helpline Center
- Pierre Urban Indian Health
- Sanford Health
- SD Breast & Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program
- SD Quitline
- SD Women's Prison
- Susan G. Komen
- Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services
- National Breast Cancer Foundation
- SD Medical Association



Priority 6: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Breast Cancer

Activities (continued)

- The 211 Helpline Center partnered with the SD Quitline for a six-month pilot project, connecting 50 women from the SD Quitline to the Health Navigator at the 211 Helpline regarding breast and/or cervical cancer screening. Of those 50 women, thirty-seven were eligible and referred to the All Women Count! Program.
- The SD BCCEDP partnered with the Pierre Urban Indian Health Clinic and DMS Imaging to host two-day mobile mammography screening events.
- A Public Health Bulletin titled *The All Women Count! Program: Trends and Changes in its Eligible Population* was published in April 2023.
- A partnership with Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services resulted in 3,352 breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer screening reminders to households in Turner County.
- A breast cancer monograph was created highlighting breast cancer incidence, mortality, stage at diagnosis, and South Dakota-specific screening data. The monograph was featured in the Public Health Bulletin in October 2023 for breast cancer awareness month.
- An article was published in the SD Public Health Bulletin highlighting the breast cancer screening visualization tool, available on the SD Cancer Coalition website. The dashboard was updated in April 2024 and again in May 2025 to show the latest available data.
- The SD AWC! program increased their program eligibility from 200% to 250% federal poverty level effective July 2023.
- The AWC! program developed two new print resources, a booklet for providers and a one-pager that provides an overview of the program for community organizations and other partners.
- 100% of eligible uninsured women who were screened for and found to have breast cancer were enrolled into the Medicaid Treatment Act.

Key Partners

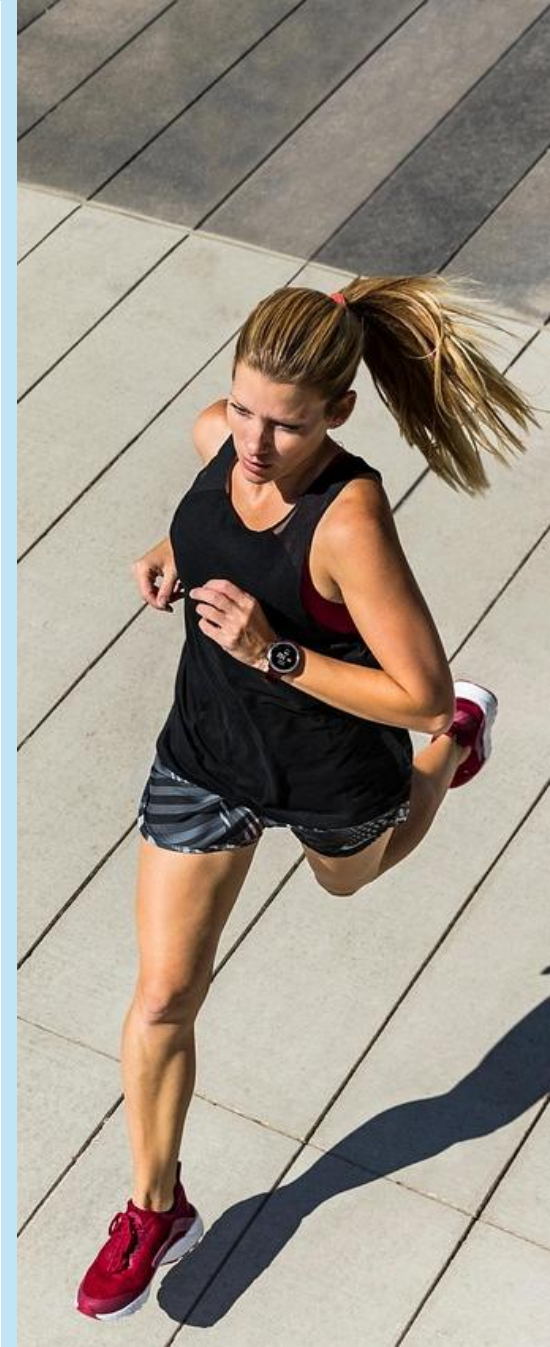
- Black Hills Special Services Cooperative (BHSSC)
- DMS Imaging
- SD Bureau of Human Resources and Administration
- SD Department of Social Services
- Community Healthcare Association of the Dakotas (CHAD)
- SD Cancer Registry



Priority 6: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Breast Cancer

Activities (continued)

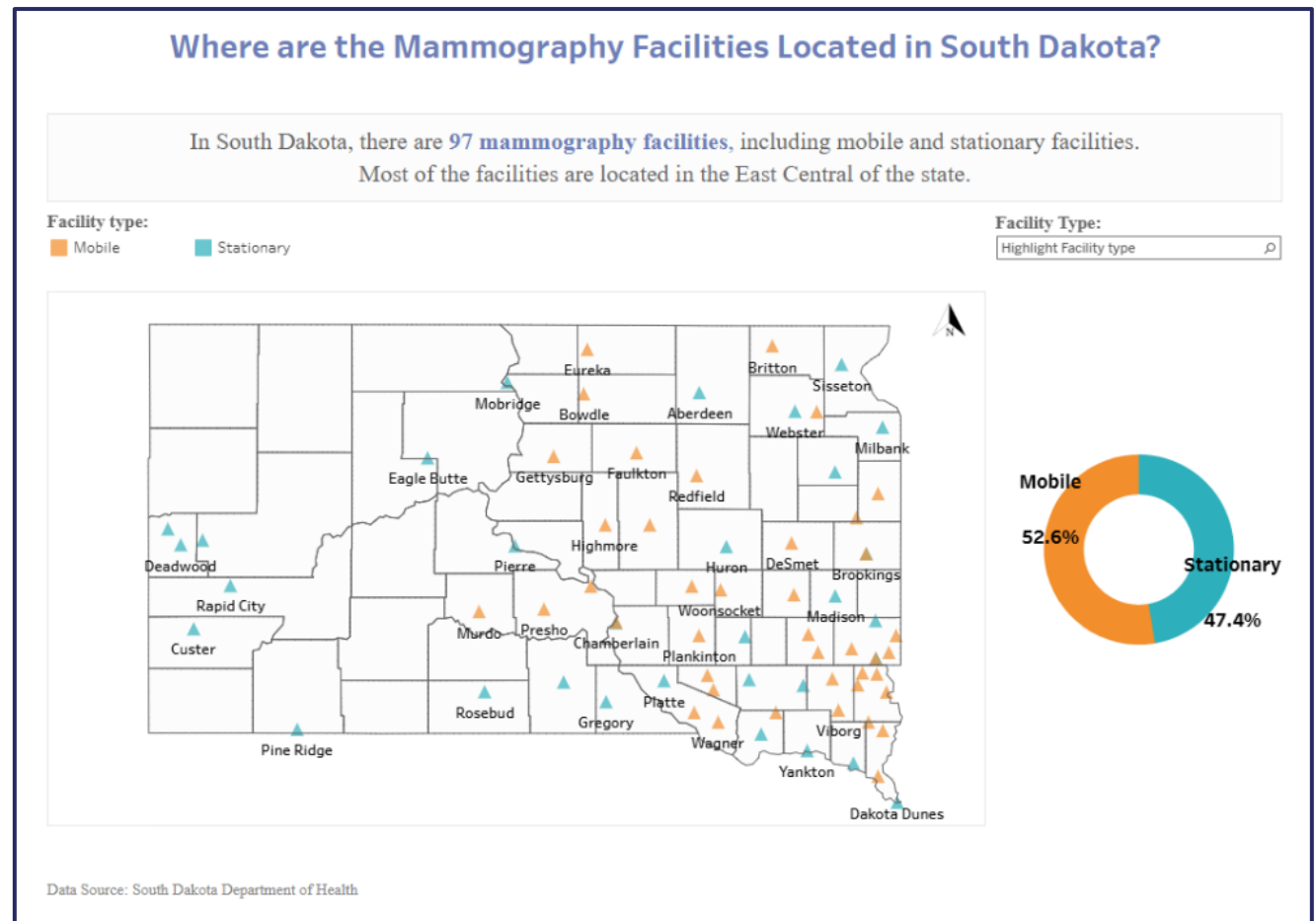
- The Community Healthcare Association of the Dakotas (CHAD) developed health equity dashboards to analyze screening and quality data for its FQHCs located throughout North and South Dakota.
- A partnership with the SD Women's Prison allowed the BCCEDP to provide breast and cervical cancer screening services to over 700 incarcerated women during the five-year timeframe.
- The American Breast Cancer Foundation and the National Breast Cancer Foundation each funded a grant to SD BCCEDP to screen women ages 30-49 who are uninsured or underinsured, for breast cancer. From 2021-2023, the American Breast Cancer Foundation funded screening for 127 unique women, while the National Breast Cancer Foundation funded screening for 211 unique women.
- Faulkton Area Medical Center received funding to implement evidence-based interventions to increase breast cancer screening rates. FAMC adopted a cancer screening policy and distributed 214 client reminders for breast cancer screening.
- The SD BCCEDP partnered with Sanford Health to implement patient navigation and evidence-based interventions to increase breast cancer screening rates at multiple clinic sites.
- The SD BCCEDP partnered with the State of South Dakota Bureau of Human Resources and Administration (BHR) to send a newly developed breast cancer screening reminder card to state employees aged 40 and older.
- The SD BCCEDP created two success stories highlighting successful partnerships. The first story shared about the long-standing partnership with the SD Department of Social Services (DSS) to enroll eligible women into the Medicaid Treatment Act, and the second story focused on a partnerships with the SD Women's Prison to address barriers to accessing healthcare services.



Priority 6: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Breast Cancer

Priority Action Highlight

The South Dakota Department of Health updated the Breast Cancer Dashboard to provide a clear overview of statewide breast cancer screenings and outcomes. The interactive tool features a user-friendly map that shows the locations of stationary and mobile screening facilities, making it easier to find available access points in specific counties. It also highlights county-level screening rates, revealing geographic disparities in preventive care. Additionally, the dashboard includes information about uninsured women who are eligible for the All Women Count! Program, which offers free breast and cervical cancer screenings. Trend data on breast cancer incidence and mortality over time is also provided, supporting data-driven decisions to reduce disparities and improve outcomes for women across South Dakota.



Priority 6: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Breast Cancer

Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
6.1.A Increase the percentage of women ages 50-74 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended breast cancer screening from 82% to 86%.	SD BRFSS ^a	82.0% (2018)	N/A	80.1% (2020)	N/A	72.8% (2022)	N/A	86%
6.1.B Increase the percentage of American Indian women ages 50-74 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended breast cancer screening from 79.9% to 86%.	SD BRFSS ^a	79.9% (2014-2018)	N/A	71.3% (2016-2020)	N/A	57.5% (2018, 2020, 2022)	N/A	86%
6.1.C Increase the percentage of women ages 50-74 with an income less than \$25,000 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended breast cancer screening from 67.3% to 74%.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	67.3% (2016, 2018)	N/A	67.0% (2018, 2020)	N/A	69.6% (2020, 2022)	N/A	74%
6.2.A Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of late-stage female breast cancer from 28.8 to 35.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	38.8 (2013-2017)	37.3 (2014-2018)	37.5 (2015-2019)	36.5 (2016-2020)	39.4 (2017-2021)	38.6 (2018-2022)	35.0
6.2.B Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of late-stage female breast cancer in American Indian women from 54.2 to 48.8 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	54.2 (2013-2017)	46.4 (2014-2018)	51.0 (2015-2019)	42.2 (2016-2020)	49.5 (2017-2021)	43.1 (2018-2022)	48.8
6.3.A Decrease the age-adjusted mortality rate of female breast cancer from 18.6 to 16.5 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	18.6 (2013-2017)	18.6 (2014-2018)	18.8 (2015-2019)	18.9 (2016-2020)	19.6 (2017-2021)	18.2 (2018-2022)	16.5
6.3.B Decrease the age-adjusted mortality rate of female breast cancer in American Indian women from 16.8 to 15.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	16.8 (2013-2017)	19.4 (2014-2018)	24.2 (2015-2019)	24.8 (2016-2020)	24.2 (2017-2021)	27.6 (2018-2022)	15.0

Priority 7: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Cervical Cancer

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to increase risk appropriate screening for cervical cancer in South Dakota.

- The SD BCCEDP partnered with the 211 Helpline Center to navigate many female callers between the ages of 30-64 to breast and cervical cancer screening.
- The Great Plains HEW Program is implementing efforts to increase cervical cancer screening rates.
- The SD BCCEDP partnered with Sanford Health to implement patient navigation and evidence-based interventions to increase cervical cancer screening rates at multiple participating clinic sites.
- The All Women Count! Program hosted annual training webinars for all participating clinic sites.
- The 211 Helpline Center partnered with the SD Quitline for a six-month pilot project, connecting 50 women from the SD Quitline to the Health Navigator at the 211 Helpline regarding breast and/or cervical cancer screening. Of those 50 women, thirty-seven were eligible and referred to the All Women Count! Program.
- A cervical cancer infographic was placed in the SD Medical Association Journal each year in January for Cervical Cancer Awareness Month.
- A partnership with the SD Women's Prison allowed the BCCEDP to provide breast and cervical cancer screening services to nearly 600 incarcerated women.
- A cervical cancer monograph was created highlighting cervical cancer incidence, mortality, stage at diagnosis, and South Dakota-specific screening data. The monograph also discusses the importance of HPV vaccination and getting screened.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 7, including:

- Great Plains Tribal Chairmen's Health Board (GPTCHB)
- Helpline Center
- Sanford Health
- SD Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (SD BCCEDP)
- SD QuitLine
- SD Women's Prison
- Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services



Priority 7: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Cervical Cancer

Activities (continued)

- The SD DOH developed a social media campaign encouraging individuals to #StayonTrack with their cancer screenings. All images and social media posts were posted to the GetScreenedSD website and shared with partners to disseminate on their platforms.
- The SD BCCEDP created two success stories highlighting successful partnerships. The first story shared about the long-standing partnership with the SD Department of Social Services (DSS) to enroll eligible women into the Medicaid Treatment Act, and the second story focused on a partnership with the SD Women's Prison to address barriers to accessing healthcare services.
- The Early Detection Health Equity Task Force hosted a webinar on January 12, 2024 for Cervical Cancer Awareness Month. Dr. David Starks, a gynecological oncologist from the Avera Cancer Institute, presented on cervical cancer screening and new treatment techniques. A total of 35 individuals viewed the webinar live, and a recording is posted online.
- The Early Detection Task Force and the BCCEDP compiled resources and data on HPV self-collection testing and have started educating providers and the community about this option.
- Sanford Cancer Center conducted outreach on breast and cervical cancer screening to two churches attended by the Spanish-speaking population in Sioux Falls. Outreach on breast, cervical and colorectal cancer also took place to reach employees at several dairy farms in rural Turner County in 2024.
- 100% of eligible uninsured women who were screened for and found to have cervical cancer or precancerous conditions were enrolled in the Medicaid Treatment Act.
- A partnership with Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services resulted in 3,352 breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer screening reminders to households in Turner County.

Key Partners

- SD Medical Association
- Black Hills Special Services Cooperative (BHSSC)
- Early Detection Health Equity Task Force
- SD Department of Social Services
- SD Urban Indian Health



Priority 7: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Cervical Cancer

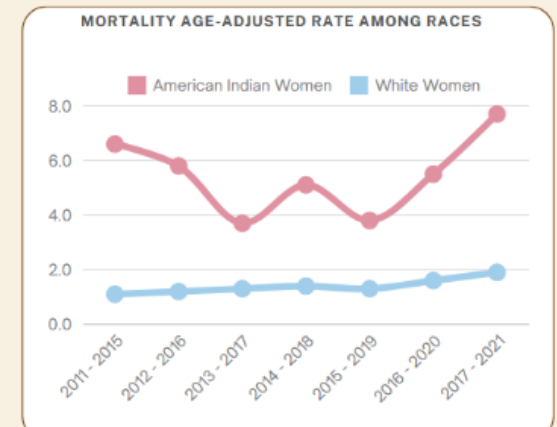
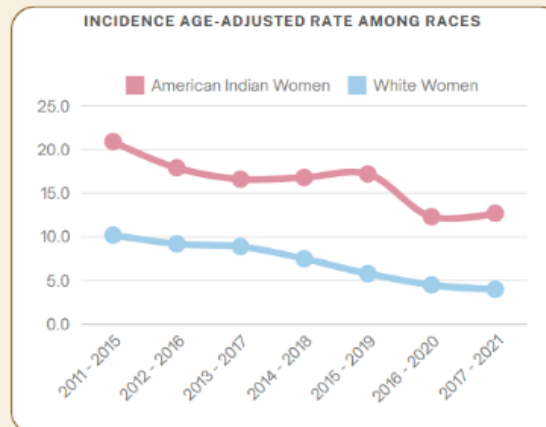
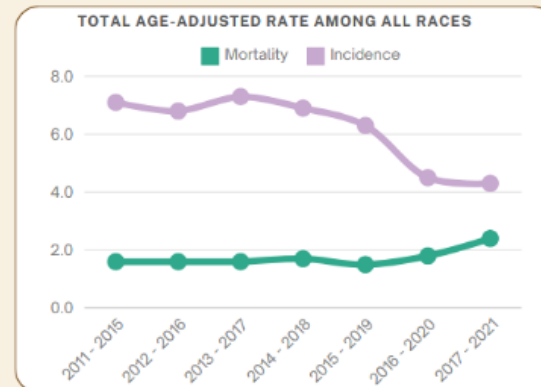
Priority Action Highlight

The South Dakota Department of Health and the SD Cancer Registry released a monograph on cervical cancer in 2024.

The monograph is available on the [SD Cancer Registry website](#) for download and print.

Cervical Cancer in South Dakota

AGE - ADJUSTED RATES PER 100,000 WOMEN



Source: South Dakota Cancer Registry

Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
7.1.A (OLD) Increase the percentage of women ages 21-65 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended cervical cancer screenings from 80.7% to 85%.	SD BRFSS ^a	80.7% (2018)	N/A	86.8% (2020)	N/A	-	-	85%
7.1.A (NEW) Increase the percentage of women ages 21-65 who have had a cervical cancer screening test within the last 1-5 years from 70.8% to 74.0%.	SD BRFSS ^a	70.8% (2022)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	74%
7.1.B (OLD) Increase the percentage of American Indian women ages 21-65 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended cervical cancer screening from 91.8% to 95%.	SD BRFSS ^a	91.8% (2018)	N/A	91.3% (2020)	N/A	-	-	95%
7.1.B (NEW) Increase the percentage of American Indian women ages 21-65 who have had a cervical cancer screening test within the last 1-5 years from 57.9% to 60%.	SD BRFSS ^a	57.9% (2022)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	60%
7.1.C (OLD) Increase the percentage of women ages 21-65 with an income of less than \$25,000 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended cervical cancer screening from 71.0% to 78.0%.	SD BRFSS ^a	71.0% (2016, 2018)	N/A	73.6% (2018, 2020)	N/A	-	-	78%
7.1.C (NEW) Increase the percentage of women ages 21-65 with an income of less than \$25,000 who have had a cervical cancer screening test within the last 1-5 years from 58.1% to 61.0%.	SD BRFSS ^a	58.1% (2022)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	61%
7.2.A Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of invasive cervical cancer from 7.3 to 6.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	7.3 (2013-2017)	6.9 (2014-2018)	6.3 (2015-2019)	4.5 (2016-2020)	4.3 (2017-2021)	5.3 (2018-2022)	6.0
7.2.B Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of invasive cervical cancer in American Indian women from 16.6 to 16.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	16.6 (2013-2017)	16.8 (2014-2018)	17.2 (2015-2019)	12.3 (2016-2020)	12.7 (2017-2021)	20.1 (2018-2022)	16.0
7.3.A Decrease the age-adjusted mortality rate of cervical cancer from 1.6 to 1.4 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	1.6 (2013-2017)	1.7 (2014-2018)	1.5 (2015-2019)	1.8 (2016-2020)	2.4 (2017-2021)	2.2 (2018-2022)	1.4
7.3.B Decrease the age-adjusted mortality rate of cervical cancer in American Indian women from 3.7 to 3.5 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	3.7 (2013-2017)	5.1 (2014-2018)	3.8 (2015-2019)	5.5 (2016-2020)	7.7 (2017-2021)	10.7 (2018-2022)	3.5

Priority 8: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Colorectal Cancer

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to increase risk appropriate screening for colorectal cancer in South Dakota.

- The American Cancer Society led the SD Council on Colorectal Cancer. The ACS also secured 2023 state proclamation declaring March as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month.
- The Early Detection Health Equity Task Force partnered with NCCRT, the North Dakota Department of Health, the American Cancer Society, and Monument Health to present a variety of webinars on colorectal cancer screening. Topics included screening guidelines, updates, and lead-time screening messaging for younger adults. The Task Force also focused efforts on promoting the new recommendations from the United States Preventive Services Task Force regarding colorectal cancer screening beginning at age 45.
- Faulkton Area Medical Center received funding to implement evidence-based interventions to increase colorectal cancer screening rates. FAMC adopted a cancer screening policy and distributed 311 client reminders for colorectal cancer screening.
- The SD Cancer Programs launched a #BackOnTrack social media campaign as well as a #StayOnTrack campaign, encouraging individuals to visit their primary care provider to catch up on missed cancer screenings during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The SD Colorectal Cancer Screening program partnered with 15 clinics to implement patient navigation and evidence-based interventions to increase colorectal cancer screening rates. Through these partnerships, the SD Colorectal Cancer Screening Program provided reimbursement for follow-up colonoscopies for eligible clients. CRC Learning Collaborative sessions were held for the SDCRCCP participating clinics. The SD Colorectal Cancer Control Program partnered with the SDSU Population Health Evaluation Center to complete a five-year highlight brief of partnership outcomes from the 2020-2025 funding period. Clinic infographics were also developed for 14 of the participating clinics.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 8, including:

- American Cancer Society
- Early Detection Health Equity Task Force
- Faulkton Area Medical Center
- Great Plains Colorectal Cancer Screening Initiative
- Sanford Health
- SD Colorectal Cancer Screening Program
- SDSU Population Health Evaluation Center



Priority 8: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Colorectal Cancer

Activities (continued)

- A colorectal cancer infographic was placed in SD Medicine in March 2023 and 2024 for Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month.
- A patient education colonoscopy preparation and procedure [video](#) was developed and is available in English, Spanish and Karen.
- The SD Cancer Registry created a colorectal cancer monograph in February 2023 that includes incidence and mortality rates, modifiable risk factors, and information about colorectal cancer screening options.
- The SD Colorectal Cancer Program developed a social media toolkit for Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in March. The toolkit included messaging from the 2023 Lead Time Messaging Guidebook: A Tool to Encourage On-Time Colorectal Cancer Screening, created by the American Cancer Society's National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable.
- A partnership with the State of SD Bureau of Human Resources led to over 16,000 reminder cards being sent to state employees and their spouses aged 45 and older.
- A partnership with Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services resulted in 3,352 breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer screening reminders to households in Turner County.
- A new reminder card was developed and shared with the SDCRCCP participating clinics. It is also available to order on the SDDOH Publication Catalog.
- The SD Colorectal Cancer Program utilized Health Disparities funds to provide 211 stool-based colorectal cancer screening tests to uninsured patients within the 15 partner clinics across the state.
- The CDC Foundation's Chronic Disease Data Analyst submitted an abstract that was accepted for the CSTE 2025 Conference, titled "Shifting Trends in Early-Onset Colorectal Cancer in SD: A Focus on Population Incidence Patterns". The information presented was also used to develop a full manuscript for submission to the South Dakota State Medical Journal.

Key Partners

- Horizon Clinics
- Monument Health
- National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable
- North Dakota DOH
- Rapid City Medical Center's Gastroenterology Clinic
- Pioneer Memorial Hospital & Health Services
- SD Cancer Registry
- SD Medical Association
- SD Bureau of Human Resources and Administration



Priority 8: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Colorectal Cancer

Priority Action Highlights

A patient education colonoscopy preparation and procedure video was developed and released in 2022. The [video](#) is available in English, Korean, and Spanish.



The South Dakota Department of Health and the SD Cancer Registry created a colorectal cancer monograph in August 2025 that includes incidence and mortality rates, modifiable risk factors, and information about colorectal cancer screening options. The monograph is available on the [SD Cancer Registry website](#) for download and print.

Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
8.1.A Increase the percentage of adults ages 45-75 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended colorectal cancer screening from 69.1% to 80%.	SD BRFSS ^a	69.1% (2018)	N/A	76.2% (2020)	N/A	65.5% (2022)	N/A	80.0%
8.1.B Increase the percentage of American Indian adults ages 45-75 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended colorectal cancer screening from 55.9% to 65%.	SD BRFSS ^a	55.9% (2016-2018)	N/A	60.5% (2018-2020)	N/A	35.8% (2022)	N/A	65.0%
8.1.C Increase the percentage of adults ages 45-75 with an income of less than \$25,000 who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended colorectal cancer screening from 61.4% to 70%.	SD BRFSS ^a	61.4% (2018)	N/A	68.6% (2020)	N/A	66.6% (2022)	N/A	70.0%
8.1.D Increase the percentage of adults ages 45-75 with no insurance who are up-to-date with USPSTF recommended colorectal cancer screening from 36.0% to 45%.	SD BRFSS ^a	36.0% (2014-2018)	N/A	41.6% (2016-2020)	N/A	N/A	N/A	45.0%
8.2 Increase the percentage of adults ages 45-75 who had a doctor, nurse, or other health professional recommend to be tested for colorectal or colon cancer from 26.9% to 40%.	SD BRFSS ^a	26.9% (2018)	N/A	29.8% (2020)	N/A	28.1% (2022)	N/A	40%
8.3.A Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of invasive colorectal cancer from 41.4 to 37.3 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	41.4 (2013-2017)	41.3 (2014-2018)	40.2 (2015-2019)	37.3 (2016-2020)	39.6 (2017-2021)	39.2 (2018-2022)	37.3
8.3.B Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of invasive colorectal cancer in American Indians from 58.4 to 53.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	58.4 (2013-2017)	54.7 (2014-2018)	52.4 (2015-2019)	58.1 (2016-2020)	59.1 (2017-2021)	61.6 (2018-2022)	53.0
8.4.A Decrease the age-adjusted mortality rate of colorectal cancer from 15.8 to 14.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	15.8 (2013-2017)	15.5 (2014-2018)	14.9 (2015-2019)	14.3 (2016-2020)	14.8 (2017-2021)	13.5 (2018-2022)	14.0
8.4.B Decrease the age-adjusted mortality rate of colorectal cancer in American Indians from 25.8 to 23.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	25.8 (2013-2017)	24.0 (2014-2018)	20.5 (2015-2019)	26.3 (2016-2020)	28.1 (2017-2021)	26.6 (2018-2022)	23.0

Priority 9: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Lung Cancer

Activities

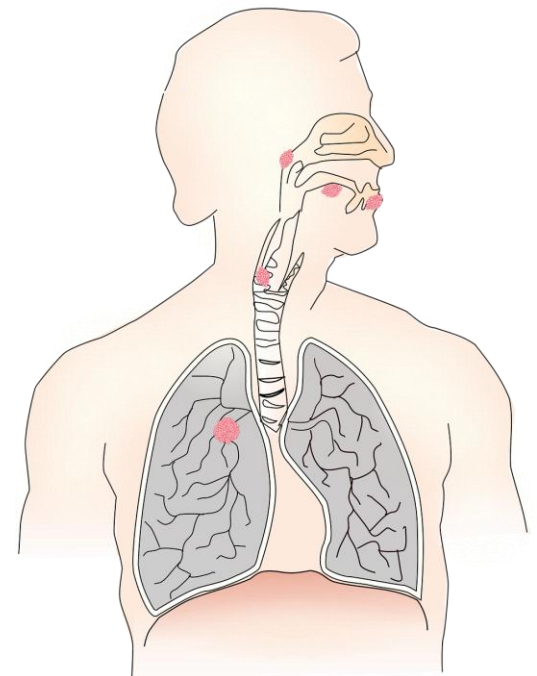
Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to increase risk appropriate screening for lung cancer in South Dakota.

- The Early Detection Health Equity Task Force hosted a webinar titled “Advancements in Lung Cancer Screening” on December 16, 2020.
- The Early Detection Health Equity Task Force partnered with the Population Health Evaluation Center to develop and maintain a tableau dashboard highlighting lung cancer screening in SD.
- The Early Detection Health Equity Task Force promoted new recommendations from the United States Preventative Services Task Force regarding lung cancer screening.
- *Lung Cancer in South Dakota: Statistics, Early Detection, and a New Interactive Dashboard* was published in the SD Medicine Journal.
- An article was published in the SD Public Health Bulletin highlighting two cancer data visualization tools that are available on the SD Cancer Coalition website: the lung cancer screening visualization tool and the breast cancer screening visualization tool.
- The South Dakota Tobacco Prevention Program distributed lung cancer screening materials to human resources professionals at the 2025 WorkWell conference.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 9, including:

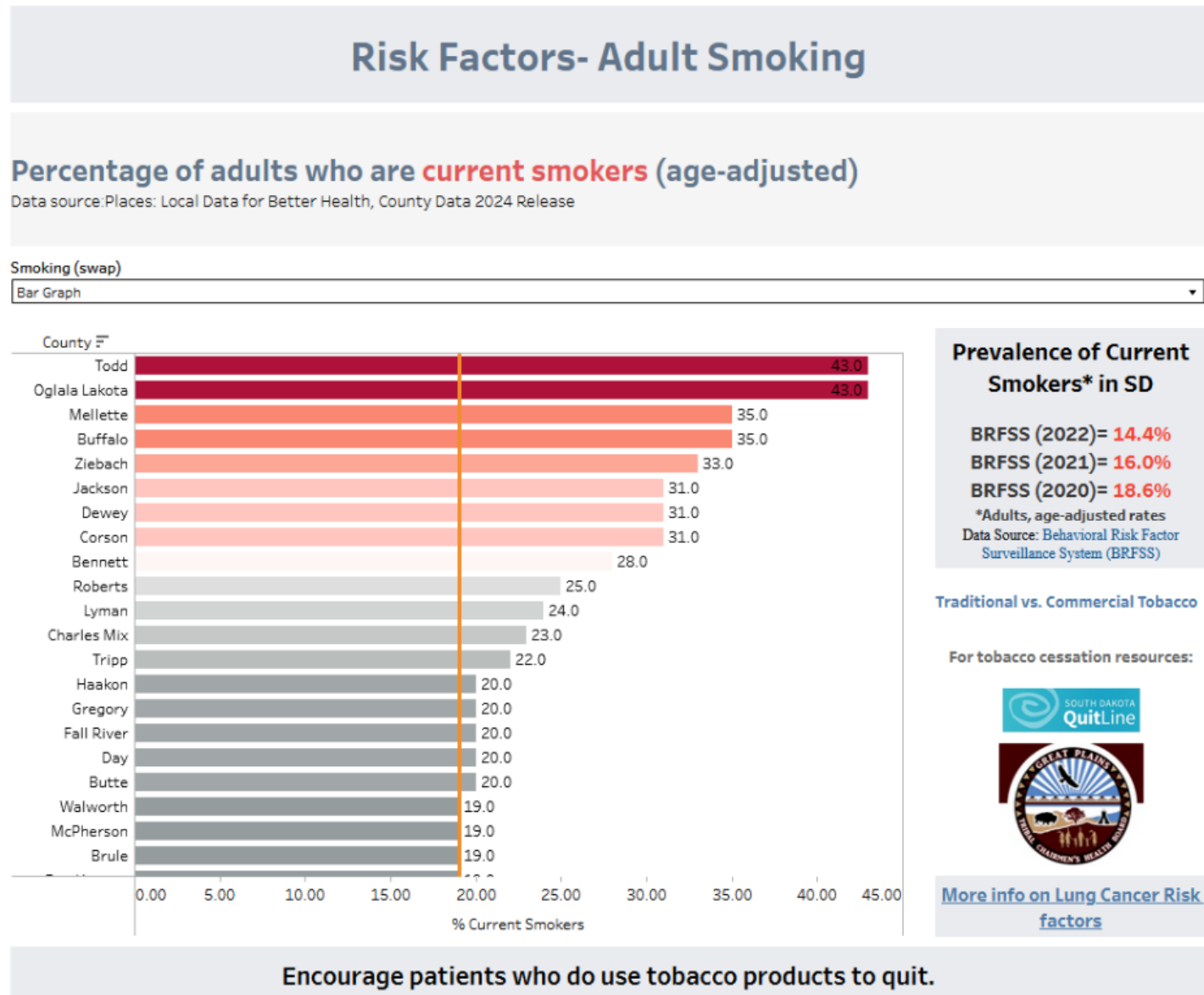
- Early Detection Health Equity Task Force
- Population Health Evaluation Center
- SD Cancer Registry



Priority 9: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Lung Cancer

Priority Action Highlight

Lung Cancer in South Dakota: Statistics, Early Detection, and a New Interactive Dashboard was published in the SD Medicine Journal. The featured dashboard highlights lung cancer screening data in South Dakota.



Priority 9: Increase Risk Appropriate Screening For Lung Cancer

Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
9.1 Increase the percentage of adults ages 55-80, at high risk for lung cancer, in South Dakota up-to-date with USPSTF recommended lung cancer screening from 14.9% to 16.4%.	SD BRFSS ^a	14.9% (2018)	N/A	12.9% (2020)	N/A	11.4% (2022)	N/A	16.4%
9.2.A Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of lung cancer cases at the distant stage from 28.8 to 23.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	28.8 (2013-2017)	27.3 (2014-2018)	26.1 (2015-2019)	25.5 (2016-2020)	25.0 (2017-2021)	24.4 (2018-2022)	23.0
9.2.B Decrease the age-adjusted incidence rate of lung cancer cases at the distant stage in American Indians from 53.5 to 34.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	53.5 (2013-2017)	47.5 (2014-2018)	39.2 (2015-2019)	37.2 (2016-2020)	37.6 (2017-2021)	39.3 (2018-2022)	34.0
9.3.A Decrease the age-adjusted mortality rate of lung cancer from 39.9 to 34.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	39.9 (2013-2017)	38.6 (2014-2018)	38.2 (2015-2019)	36.2 (2016-2020)	37.0 (2017-2021)	33.8 (2018-2022)	34.0
9.3.B Decrease the age-adjusted mortality rate of lung cancer in American Indians from 70.0 to 51.0 per 100,000.	SD Cancer Registry ^d	70.0 (2013-2017)	69.3 (2014-2018)	59.0 (2015-2019)	54.3 (2016-2020)	50.3 (2017-2021)	49.5 (2018-2022)	51.0

Priority 10: Increase Participation In Cancer Clinical Trials

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to increase participation in cancer clinical trials.

- The American Cancer Society continues to support national clinical trials research.
- Avera Health received funding to implement policy and system changes to increase cancer clinical trial accrual rates.
- The SD Cancer Programs collaborated to collect clinical trial accrual rates via voluntary reporting from the SD cancer treatment centers.
- The SD Cancer Coalition partnered with the SD Cancer Registry to publish, Clinical Trial Accrual in South Dakota (2013-2020) in the Public Health Bulletin in December 2022. The article features data from all eight cancer treatment centers in South Dakota and highlights the interactive dashboard that is available online.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 10, including:

- American Cancer Society
- Avera Health
- SD Cancer Treatment Centers
- SD Cancer Registry

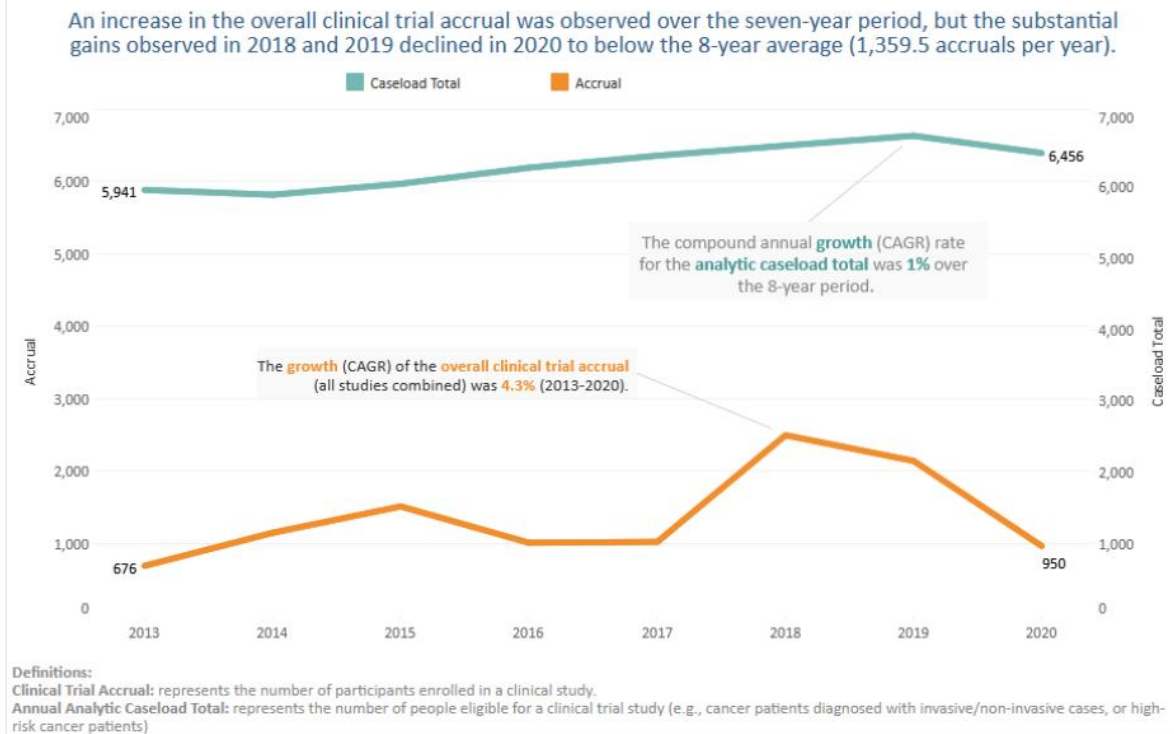


Priority 10: Increase Participation In Cancer Clinical Trials

Priority Action Highlight

The SD Cancer Coalition partnered with the SD Cancer Registry to publish *Clinical Trial Accrual in South Dakota (2013-2020)* in the Public Health Bulletin in December 2022. The article features data from all eight cancer treatment centers in South Dakota and highlights the interactive dashboard that is available online at cancersd.com.

Trends in Clinical Trials Caseload Total vs. Total Accrual (2013-2020)



Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
10.1 Increase the percentage of South Dakota cancer patients who report participating in a clinical trial as part of their cancer treatment from 4.2% to 4.6%.	SD BRFSS ^a	4.2% (2017, 2018)	N/A	3.8% (2018,2020)	N/A	5.2% (2020, 2022)	N/A	4.6%

Priority 11: Promote Quality Cancer Care and Supportive Services

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to promote quality cancer care and supportive services.

- Monument Health was awarded funding to implement evidence-based patient navigation, survivorship care plans, and referral services to impact the quality of life for breast cancer survivors.
- The South Dakota Foundation for Medical Care was funded to implement the Better Choices, Better Health SD Cancer: Thriving and Surviving evidence-based program statewide.
- The American Cancer Society provided access to care funds to support transportation and lodging for people with cancer.
- Two cancer centers maintained Commission on Cancer accreditation.
- The SD Cancer Coalition partnered with Sanford Health Cancer Center to implement a virtual survivorship and navigation patient support program.
- ACS and ACS CAN supported passage of Medicaid expansion to improve access to care.
- The *Cancer Survivorship in South Dakota* report used data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) with survey years 2018, 2019, and 2020 to analyze population demographics, cancer type, health status, quality of life, and other relevant indicators among adult cancer survivors. The report is available online and was published in the Public Health Bulletin in December 2022.
- The Cancer Care Task Force worked to review and provide feedback to include pediatric cancer verbiage into the new 2026-2030 Cancer Plan.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 11, including:

- American Cancer Society (ACS)
- Avera Cancer Institutes
- Monument Health
- Sanford Cancer Center
- South Dakota Foundation for Medical Care
- SD Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)
- SD Cancer Registry
- Cancer Care Task Force



Priority 11: Promote Quality Cancer Care and Supportive Services

Priority Action Highlight

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Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
11.1 Decrease the percentage of South Dakotans under the age of 65 without health insurance from 11.2% to 9.4%.	US Census: Small Area Health Insurance Estimates ^f	11.2% (2018)	12.0% (2019)	11.6% (2020)	N/A	11.5% (2021)	10.0% (2022)	9.4%
11.2 Maintain the number of cancer centers accredited by the American College of Surgeon's Commission on Cancer from 2 to 2.	American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer ^g	2.0 (2019)	2.0 (2020)	2.0 (2021)	2.0 (2022)	2.0 (2023)	2.0 (2024)	2.0
11.3 Of those ever diagnosed with cancer, increase the percentage who have ever been given a written summary, by a doctor, nurse, or other health professional, of the cancer treatments they receive from 51% to 56%.	SD BRFSS ^a	51.0% (2018)	N/A	53.6% (2020)	N/A	46.3% (2022)	N/A	56.0%
11.4 Of those ever diagnosed with cancer, increase the percentage who have ever received instructions from a doctor, nurse, or other health professional about where they should return or who they should see for routine cancer check-ups after completing treatment for cancer from 76.7% to 85%.	SD BRFSS ^a	76.7% (2018)	N/A	78.7% (2020)	N/A	73.3% (2022)	N/A	85.0%

Priority 12: Improve Availability and Use of Advance Care Planning, Palliative Care, and End of Life Care Services For Cancer Patients

Activities

Numerous activities occurred that addressed the outlined strategies and objectives identified in the SD Cancer Plan to improve availability and use of advance care planning, palliative care, and end of life care services for cancer patients.

- An advance directive question was included on the 2021 and 2023 SD BRFSS.
- Avera Health was funded through a HRSA grant to expand the South Dakota Palliative Care Network.
- Sanford Medical Center received funding to improve referral to palliative care services.
- Avera Cancer Institute Sioux Falls received funding to expand advanced care planning services for patients with metastatic breast cancer.
- USD Nursing received funding through a Bush community innovation grant to support a Palliative Care Project ECHO
- SDAHO received a HRSA grant to create the SD Coalition to Advance Serious Illness Care, which is working to carry on much of the work started in recent years by the SD Palliative Care Association.
- SDAHO and AARP worked to pass legislation in the 2024 SD Legislative Session to create a definition of palliative care in SD statute, which will allow providers to bill for palliative care services. As part of the palliative care definition in SD statute, SDAHO and SDDOH are partnering to create an informational website to help providers, patients and the general public learn more about palliative care and seek care options in their local communities within SD.
- The Palliative Care Task Force and SDAHO partnered on a webinar held on National Healthcare Decisions Day, April 16, 2024. Katie Huff, DNP, PHP-BC, ACHPN, presented on palliative care, cancer and advance directives to 50 attendees, Presentation materials are available at www.cancersd.com.

Key Partners

Many partners contributed to the achievements of Priority 12, including:

- American Cancer Society
- Avera Cancer Institute Sioux Falls
- Avera Health
- USD Nursing Program
- South Dakota Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)
- SDAHO
- AARP
- SD Cancer Programs
- SDSU

Priority 12: Improve Availability and Use of Advance Care Planning, Palliative Care, and End of Life Care Services For Cancer Patients

Priority Action Highlight

As part of the palliative care definition in SD statute, SDAHO and SDDOH created an informational website to help providers, patients and the public learn more about palliative care and seek care options in their local communities within SD. **LifeCircle** is South Dakota's Hospice and Palliative Care Network, bringing together the most up-to-date and trustworthy resources in one convenient location. This collaborative, interdisciplinary network includes people, organizations, and institutions across the state, all working to improve serious illness care for patients and their loved ones. The new LifeCircle website includes information on: free access to serious illness education for health care professionals, including recorded sessions from the past five years; updates on state and federal efforts supporting hospice and palliative care; resources plus on-demand training in areas such as Guardianship, Adult and Pediatric Crisis Standards of Care, and more; and articles, research, and funding opportunities from LifeCircle members.

Welcome to LifeCircle

SOUTH DAKOTA'S HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE NETWORK

LifeCircle is a collaborative, interdisciplinary and inter-institutional network of people, organizations, and institutions in South Dakota whose purpose is to improve serious illness care for patients and their support person(s), not limited to but including end of life care. The group's vision is that South Dakotans living with serious illness will have access to palliative care and hospice care; their loved ones receive support; and healthcare providers in the state will have access to information and education to improve care for patients and families living with serious illness.

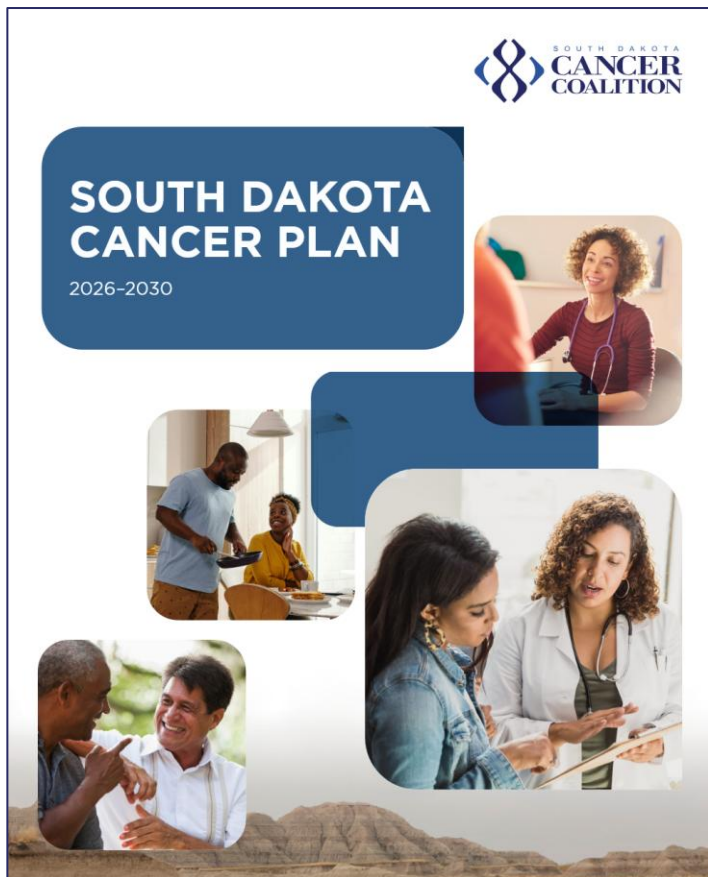
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Priority 12: Improve Availability and Use of Advance Care Planning, Palliative Care, and End of Life Care Services For Cancer Patients

Data Indicators

Objectives	Data Source	Baseline	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	2025 Goal
12.1 Maintain the number of South Dakota hospitals with 50 or more beds reporting a palliative care team from 8 to 8.	Center to Advance Palliative Care, State-by-State Report Card ^h	8.0 (2019)	N/A	N/A	8.0 (2022)	N/A	8.0 (2024)	8.0
12.2.A Increase the percentage of adults who reported having an advance directive in place from 32% to 35%.	SD BRFSS ^a	32.0% (2017)	28.4% (2019)	N/A	27.9% (2021)	N/A	27.8% (2023)	35.0%
12.2.B Increase the percentage of adults with an income less than \$25,000 who reported having an advance directive in place from 26.3% to 30%.	SD BRFSS ^a	26.3% (2017)	23.1% (2019)	N/A	23.6% (2021)	N/A	20.4% (2023)	30.0%
12.2.C Increase the percentage of adults with no insurance who reported having an advance directive in place from 13.2% to 20%.	SD BRFSS ^a	13.2% (2015, 2017)	13.4% (2017, 2019)	N/A	12.3% (2019, 2021)	N/A	7.3% (2021, 2023)	20%



As we close out the South Dakota Comprehensive Cancer Control State Plan 2021-2025, the South Dakota Department of Health Comprehensive Cancer Control Program and South Dakota Cancer Coalition are pleased to present the SD Cancer Plan 2026-2030. The SD Cancer Plan provides a framework for action and a collaborative road map for organizations and individuals in South Dakota to reduce the burden of cancer in our state.

The South Dakota Cancer Plan 2026-2030 is the result of a collaborative planning process undertaken by the South Dakota Department of Health: South Dakota Comprehensive Cancer Control Program (SD CCCP), South Dakota Cancer Coalition, and other cancer prevention and control interest holders in South Dakota. Interest holders were involved in the planning process through surveys, a best practice review, key informant interviews, a plan advisory committee, and virtual feedback sessions. Reports outlining these efforts and the key findings can be obtained from the SD CCCP.

The plan consists of 14 priority areas, which correspond to the six overarching plan goals. To ensure progress, the plan also outlines measurable objectives for each priority area. The plan is intended to reach adolescents and adults across all races and socioeconomic levels, as well as target priority populations who face a higher proportion of the cancer burden.

A new addition to the 2026–2030 South Dakota Cancer Plan is a focus on childhood cancer. Between 2013 and 2021, there were 366 pediatric cancer cases reported and 39 pediatric cancer-related deaths. While both the incidence and mortality rates of pediatric cancer have been declining, more progress is needed to improve outcomes. The impact of pediatric cancer extends across South Dakota and the nation, and it is our shared responsibility to work toward keeping children cancer-free.

To view the new 2026-2030 South Dakota Cancer Plan or for more information on how to become involved, visit cancersd.com.