



**Kentucky Cancer Consortium**  
New Opportunities, Resources, Updates  
January 27, 2007  
[www.KyCancerC.org](http://www.KyCancerC.org)

**Save the Date...**

**Kentucky Cancer Consortium's First Annual Summit:** May 8 – 9, 2007 at Lake Cumberland State Park. "Reaching New Heights Together"

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**Grant Opportunities:**

**KCC Regional Cancer Partner Spring Support Opportunity**

The Kentucky Cancer Consortium is seeking applications from its **Regional Cancer Partners** in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, for resources that support the implementation of an existing, collaborative project that addresses one objective in the Cancer Action Plan.

[http://www.kycancerc.org/rcp/spring07\\_so.pdf](http://www.kycancerc.org/rcp/spring07_so.pdf)

**Lung Cancer:**

Kentucky Lung Cancer Research program Cycle 7 applications for investigator-initiated grants are now available. Applications are due February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007. <http://kentuckylungcancer.org/>

**Survivorship: Lance Armstrong Foundation Community Grants**

The Lance Armstrong Foundation is pleased to announce that the 2007 Community Program and Community-Based Participatory Research (CBPR) Request for Proposals (RFP) is now available. You may access the RFP on the LAF website at [www.livestrong.org](http://www.livestrong.org). The application process will open and we will begin accepting Letters of Intent (LOI) on March 1, 2007. They will be holding three Q&A sessions on the LAF grant process for interested applicants. Please review the RFP for dates and times. If you have any questions, please send an email to [research.grants@laf.org](mailto:research.grants@laf.org) or [communityprogram@laf.org](mailto:communityprogram@laf.org).

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**Conference and Training Opportunities**

**Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation's**

*Innovations for Prevention: A National Dialogue for Action to Increase Colorectal Cancer Screening* March 21-23, 2007 in Baltimore, Maryland

<http://www.intlmeet.com/index.cfm?page=168>

**2007 CDC Cancer Conference**

"Meeting Future Challenges." August 13-16, 2007 in Atlanta, GA. For more information or to register visit: <http://www.cdccancerconference.net/>



### **Partnerships for a Fit KY – We Can! Train the Trainer**

The Partnerships for a Fit KY is offering 'We Can! Train the Trainer' workshops across the state. They need at least 10 participants who would like to lead the We Can! series in their communities in order to offer the training in a region. We Can! is a national program designed for families and communities to help children achieve a healthy weight.

<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart/obesity/wecan/>

If you are interested in attending a free 'We Can! Train the Trainer' workshop, please contact **Anita Courtney, We Can! State Coordinator, [anitac@gx.net](mailto:anitac@gx.net) or 859-229-8400.**

### **Cancer Control PLANET online training:**

[The Cancer Control PLANET online training](#) located at the top right hand corner of the homepage has been updated to capture the new features and data on the Cancer Control PLANET. Please explore the training for a look at the new features. Additionally, the training will help you and your colleagues to continue to learn how to effectively use the Cancer Control resources found on the PLANET.

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## **Cancer Data**

### **U.S. Cancer Deaths Drop for 2nd Year in a Row**

<http://healthfinder.gov/news/newsstory.asp?docID=601062>

### **ACS Facts and Figures 2007**

<http://www.cancer.org/downloads/STT/CAFF2007PWSecured.pdf>

### **Report of Breast Cancer Screening Fiscal Years 2003-2005**

Kentucky Women's Cancer Screening Program.

<http://chfs.ky.gov/NR/ronlyres/D79B080B-4036-47C3-B76B-74418AD596FE/0/ReportofBreastCancerScreeningFiscalYears20032005.pdf>

### **State Cancer Profiles Updated**

In collaboration with the National Cancer Institute, the Division of Cancer Prevention and Control State Cancer Profiles (SCP) Web site, <http://www.statecancerprofiles.cancer.gov>, which includes interactive maps for incidence data and new demographic data based on the U.S. Census.

### **Mammogram Use in the United States**

*Use of Mammograms Among Women Aged  $\geq$ 40 Years – United States, 2000-2005* has been published in the January 26th issue of *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)*.

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/wk/mm5603.pdf>



## Health Information - *HINTS*

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) has developed a series of one-page briefs summarizing current trends in the health information needs of the public. The HINTS Briefs summarize data from the NCI's Health Information National Trends Survey (HINTS), an annual telephone survey among thousands of US adults to monitor changes in their use of different communication channels to obtain health information for themselves and their loved ones.

To date, four Briefs have been released covering the following topics:

1. Health Information Seeking Practices  
[http://hints.cancer.gov/docs/hints\\_briefs122705.pdf](http://hints.cancer.gov/docs/hints_briefs122705.pdf)
2. Cancer Risk Perceptions  
[http://hints.cancer.gov/docs/HINTS\\_Brief031506.pdf](http://hints.cancer.gov/docs/HINTS_Brief031506.pdf)
3. Cancer Screening Awareness and Behaviors  
[http://hints.cancer.gov/docs/HINTS\\_Brief070606.pdf](http://hints.cancer.gov/docs/HINTS_Brief070606.pdf)
4. Physical Activity  
[http://hints.cancer.gov/docs/HINTS\\_Brief121306.pdf](http://hints.cancer.gov/docs/HINTS_Brief121306.pdf)

To download a Brief or to learn more about the HINTS program, please visit <http://hints.cancer.gov/>.

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## Journal Articles

### ***Comprehensive Cancer Control Plans Help States Fight Cancer Locally***

<http://jncicancerspectrum.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/reprint/jnci;98/22/1592.pdf>

**CA: A Cancer Journal for Clinicians.** January/February 2007. HPV and Cancer Statistics articles included. <http://caonline.amcancersoc.org/content/vol57/issue1/?etoc>

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## Implementation Resources

### **Breast and Cervical Cancer**

A new Research Tested Intervention Program (RTIPs) program on Cancer Control Planet, <http://cancercontrolplanet.cancer.gov/> has been added. [The Witness Project](#) is a culturally informed, community-based breast and cervical cancer education program. The program aims to effectively increase awareness, knowledge, and motivation, thereby increasing screening and early-detection behaviors among African American women and ultimately reducing mortality and morbidity from breast and cervical cancer. The information is formatted for various learning styles including the following components: (1) Story-telling with experiential learning techniques; (2) Witness Role Models (WRMs), who speak to groups of other African American women at local churches and community organizations in rural areas about their personal experience; and (3) Church based programs held after worship services or concurrently with the Sunday School session.

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### **Cervical Cancer**



From CDC's Division of STD Prevention: CDC's new HPV brochure for clinicians is now available online at [www.cdc.gov/std/HPV/hpv-clinicians-brochure.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/std/HPV/hpv-clinicians-brochure.htm). You can register for email notifications on updates to CDC's HPV page. To do this, click on the new link at the top of the HPV page ([www.cdc.gov/std/hpv](http://www.cdc.gov/std/hpv)), called "Email updates."

The HPV brochure for general audiences can now be ordered online at [http://www2a.cdc.gov/nchstp\\_od/piweb/stdorderform.asp](http://www2a.cdc.gov/nchstp_od/piweb/stdorderform.asp) (publication #99-8362; limit 10 copies per order). While print brochures are only available in English at the moment, you can download print-ready versions in Spanish (as well as HPV posters in English and Spanish) at [www.cdc.gov/std/hpv/common-downloads.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/std/hpv/common-downloads.htm).

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## **Colorectal Cancer**

### **Colorectal Cancer in African Americans**

<http://www.healthystates.csg.org/Events+and+Conferences/Web+Conferences/Colorectal+Cancer+Web+Conference.htm>

**Patient Advocate Foundation and Amgen Oncology Launch Colorectal CareLine.** The national toll free telephone hotline is designed to offer assistance to all colorectal cancer patients and healthcare providers seeking educational resources, direct assistance with access to care issues and/or financial aid for select patient needs, including lodging, transportation, childcare and other expenses associated with out-of-town treatment. The hotline can be accessed at 1-866-657-8634 or patients may visit [www.colorectalcareline.org](http://www.colorectalcareline.org)

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## **Exercise/Physical Activity**

### **Raising Healthy Kids**

**We Can!** or "Ways to Enhance Children's Activity & Nutrition" is a national program designed for families and communities to help children achieve a healthy weight. The program focuses on *three* important behaviors: *improved* food choices, *increased* physical activity and *reduced* screen time. <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/heart/obesity/wecan/>

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## **Health Disparities**

### **National Cancer Institute's (NCI) Center to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities (CRCHD)**

recently launched a new and improved Web site that offers researchers and those interested in cancer health disparities easily accessible information and resources. To learn more about what CRCHD has to offer, visit them online at: <http://crchd.cancer.gov>.

### **Kaiser Health Disparities Report: A Weekly Look at Race, Ethnicity and**

**Health.** The Kaiser Family Foundation has launched a new summary report, the **Health Disparities Report**. The report is available through a free weekly email, and stories are updated daily on the web site. <http://kaisernetwork.org/disparitiesreport>

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## Insurance Coverage - Employers

**Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality:** *A Purchaser's Guide to Clinical Preventive Services: Moving Science into Coverage* are available to the public at no charge by visiting

<http://www.businessgrouphealth.org/prevention/purchasers/>

The new guide is designed to help employers improve the health of their employees and their families as well as to potentially reduce their health care costs.

### Insurance Coverage Affordability and Relief to Small Employers (ICARE)

ICARE is a pilot program designed to help Kentucky employers pay premiums for workers. It is not a health insurance plan. <http://www.kymesa.org/docs/ICARE%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>

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### Ovarian Cancer

*Issues for Public Health and Primary Care Providers:* Two gynecologic oncologists discuss the factors that increase risk for ovarian cancer, as well as the signs and symptoms associated with this disease. The discussion includes the epidemiology of ovarian cancer and the current status in prevention, early detection, and treatment. Download satellite broadcast:

<http://www.albany.edu/sph/coned/whgrovarian.htm>

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### Public Policy

Council of State Government has released its Healthy States Report on 2005 and 2006 Public Health Legislation. This summary provides information on legislative bills and their status for many chronic diseases including cancer. To view the report, visit the website at

<http://www.healthystates.csg.org/> .

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### Prostate Cancer

Facts sheets on prostate cancer and how to find a doctor or treatment facility if you have cancer have been reviewed and are available on the NCI website.

- Prostate cancer fact sheet:

<http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/factsheet/Detection/early-prostate>

- How to find a doctor or treatment facility:

<http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/factsheet/Therapy/doctor-facility>

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### Risk Reduction Quiz

Recently NCI launched a new, interactive Web site to help people assess and understand their risk of developing cancer. "Cancer Risk: Understanding the Puzzle" is written in everyday language, and has explanations of cancer risk, risk factors, and risk exposure, and information on how to lower risk for six cancers. <http://understandingrisk.cancer.gov/>.

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### Survivorship



### **Mautner Project Manual**

The Mautner Project has released a new technical assistance manual related to survivorship, *Hope and Healing: Creating Safe Spaces for Lesbian Cancer Survivors*. Visit the Mautner Project website <http://www.mautnerproject.org/home/index.cfm> for more info or to order copies.

### **Patient Time Costs – Cancer Care**

The Journal of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) published an article titled "Patient Time Costs Associated With Cancer Care" in it's January 3, 2007 edition (volume 99, number 1) <http://jnci.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/99/1/14>

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### **Tobacco**

The CDC's Office on Smoking and Health has just released a brochure called *The Practical Guide to Working with Health-Care Systems on Tobacco-Use Treatment*. This publication provides information about healthcare systems operations, strategies for implementing effective tobacco control within health-care systems, and resources regarding tobacco-use treatment. It can be viewed or downloaded from [http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/toolkit\\_practicalguide.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/toolkit_practicalguide.htm).

**Translating the Surgeon General's Report on Secondhand Smoke into Local Action – Webcast** sponsored by National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO). Archive available: <http://webcasts.naccho.org/series.php?id=184>

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## **Research Studies**

### **Breast Cancer: Sister Study**

The Sister Study is a long-term study of women aged 35 to 74 whose sister had breast cancer. This national study hopes to learn how environment and genes affect the chances of getting breast cancer. In the next 3 years, 50,000 women whose sister had breast cancer, and who do not have breast cancer themselves will be asked to join the study.

Criteria to join the study include the following. 1) Your sister (living or deceased), related to you by blood, had breast cancer; 2) You are between the ages of 35 and 74; 3) You have never had breast cancer yourself; 4) You live in the United States or Puerto Rico. For questions or more information, call 1-877-474-7837 or visit [www.sisterstudy.org](http://www.sisterstudy.org)

Please share this info with others and help the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences at NIH reach their goal of 50,000 women.