

Dear **Kentucky Cancer Consortium** Partners:

The Kentucky Cancer Consortium (KCC) is pleased to provide you with the **April 27, 2016** issue of “Wednesday’s Word” (see table below), a bi-weekly KCC communication relaying recent state and national cancer control articles, resources, events and tools to your “cyber-doorstep”. You may read archived editions on [our website](#). If your organization has a cancer- related item for Wednesday's Word, feel free to contact Katie Bathje at katie@kycancerc.org

Sincerely, Kentucky Cancer Consortium Staff

| CATEGORY | TITLE |
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| ACA & Cancer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obamacare Expanding Coverage for the Poor, Study Finds: But researchers say it's too soon to show whether people are healthier. |
| Breast Cancer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrity Cases May Help Spur Rise in Double Mastectomies: Many women now think it's the best treatment for breast cancer, study suggests. • Breast Cancer Meds Won't Raise Chances of Heart Attack, Stroke, Study Suggests: But there was a slightly increased risk of less serious heart problems. • Common Class of Breast Cancer Drugs May Not Trigger 'Chemo Brain': Study -- Anthracyclines are widely used, but new research finds no link between the meds and survivors' mental function. • Breast Cancer Gene Might Lower Women's Fertility: Study -- The BRCA1 mutation may speed the aging of a woman's ovaries, researchers report. |
| Childhood Cancers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certain Cancers Seem Less Likely for Kids of Hispanic Moms Born Outside U.S.: Analyzing immigrant population can help identify tumor causes, researcher says. • Childhood Cancer Survivors Often Feel Older Than Their Years: Treatment-related conditions may affect their long-term well-being, study finds. |
| Chronic Disease | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmacists Can Manage Some Chronic Conditions Effectively, Study Suggests: But it's not clear if they could reduce symptoms more or help you live longer than your doctor can. |
| Colon Cancer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statins Might Not Lower Colon Cancer Risk: Study -- But cholesterol levels may be associated with reduced chance of disease. • CONFERENCE: Never Too Young Forum: A focus on under 50 colon cancer on June 9th, 2016 at Spalding University in Louisville. This free event, hosted by the Colon Cancer Prevention Project, will spotlight the under-50 trend and what physicians and supporters can do to address it. Breakout sessions for patients, survivors and caregivers impacted at age 50 and under will also be held. Five (5) Continuing Education credits available! • The NCCRT will be hosting a webinar <i>Utilizing the Electronic Health Record to Impact Change: Beyond the Pop-Up Reminder</i> to review our new resource, the eClinicalWorks Best Practices Workflow and Documentation Guide on colorectal cancer |

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| | <p>screening. The purpose of the webinar is to provide an in-depth look at our eClinicalWorks Best Practices Workflow and Documentation Guide. Please note, this webinar is best suited for those who work directly with EHRs and eClinicalWorks in particular. This is not an introductory webinar. The webinar will be held on Thursday, May 5th at 1:00pm EST. You must be pre-registered to join the webinar, and the number of attendees is limited. Register here.</p> |
| Commission on Cancer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Commission on Cancer Standards Clarifies and Emphasizes Process, Quality, Data Reporting, and More |
| Environmental Carcinogens | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study Links Green Spaces to Longer Lives for Women -- Among the findings: living with lush vegetation tied to a 13 percent lower rate of cancer death |
| Health Equity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inequality makes Kentucky sick • Rich-Poor Life Expectancy Gap Shrinking for U.S. Youth: Policies to boost health among poorer Americans may be paying off, researchers say. • U.S. Health Report Card Finds Racial, Ethnic Disparities Persist: But infant death rates, numbers of uninsured are improving, government analysis reveals. |
| Hospice | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMS proposes raising payment rates for hospice, skilled nursing and rehab |
| Human Papilloma Virus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kentucky is in the bottom 10 states for cancer-preventing HPV vaccination, probably because it has to do with sex |
| Immunotherapy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The list of cancers that can be treated by immunotherapy keeps growing |
| Liver Cancer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liver cancer risk lingers after hepatitis B virus cleared |
| Lung | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WEBINAR: The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) will host a webinar Wednesday, May 4, 2016 from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. ET to discuss how AHRQ's new lung cancer screening decision aid and toolkit can be used in shared decision-making and patient counseling as required by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for Medicare coverage of lung cancer screening with low-dose computed tomography. To register, visit: http://bit.ly/22jZWOk • REMINDER -- FREE CME: A free interactive online CME course on lung cancer is now available at www.lungcancerinkentucky.org. The course was developed for primary care providers by the Kentucky LEADS Collaborative at Kentucky Cancer Program/University of Louisville. |
| Medicaid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 85% medical-loss ratio in final managed Medicaid rule: The CMS also punted to the states to determine network adequacy. |

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| Obesity, Nutrition and Physical Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEETING: Partnership for a Fit Kentucky Networking Meeting, “Creating the Demand”, to be held on June 8th at Fayette County Cooperative Extension in Lexington. Registration begins at 9:00 am, meeting from 10:00 am – 3:30 pm. Network with partners across the state and learn about innovative projects that are improving access to healthy foods and physical activity. Learn how to start conversations that will build demand for healthier environments in your community. Registration coming soon! |
| Organ Transplant | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer History May Affect Survival After Organ Transplant: Study also suggests nearly twice the risk for a new cancer. |
| Palliative Care | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Palliative Care' Gets a Bad Rap, Study Finds-- Rebranding of name might reduce stigma among cancer patients and their families, researchers say. • In the Face of Chronic Pain, Clinicians Seek Best Practices for Management while Evading Opioid Abuse. |
| Public Health | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top deputy in state health department named commissioner of Lexington health department. |
| Rectal Cancer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only Half of Rectal Cancer Patients Get Recommended Treatment: Study -- Uninsured and minority patients had lower odds of receiving standard therapies, researchers found. |
| Research | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NCI opens online platform to submit ideas about research for Cancer Moonshot |
| Stomach Cancer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol, Processed Meats May Raise Stomach Cancer Risk: Excess weight also seems to boost chances of disease, and risk increases as three factors increase, researchers report |
| Survivorship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESOURCE REMINDER: The GW Cancer Institute is pleased to announce the launch of a new National Cancer Survivorship Resource Center Toolkit: Implementing Clinical Practice Guidelines for Cancer Survivorship Care. The new toolkit, released in partnership with the American Cancer Society and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, provides resources to help with implementing cancer survivorship care guidelines for breast, colorectal, head and neck and prostate cancers. Access the toolkit and resources today: http://bit.ly/NCSRCToolkit |
| Tobacco Control | <p>Tobacco Control</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Link Between Anti-Smoking Drugs, Mental Health Issues: Study -- Meds like Chantix and Wellbutrin may be safer to use than smokers often realize, research suggests. • FDA launches its first advertising campaign aimed at rural youth about the dangers of smokeless tobacco. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freedom From Smoking® Facilitator Trainings: Schedule trainings in your area of the state, and discuss scholarships by contacting Bobbye Gray at bobbye.gray@ky.gov or 502-564-9358 ext. 4017. The \$100 registration fee includes FFS Facilitator Guide, certificate of course completion, continental breakfast and lunch. <p>E-cigarettes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-Cigarette Ads May Help Lure Teens to the Habit: Study -- Researchers, experts call for ban on such promotions, much like what happened with tobacco cigarette ads. • No Drop in Teen Use of Tobacco Products, CDC Says, and E-Cigs May Be Why: Electronic smoking devices have now eclipsed traditional cigarettes as most widely used product among kids. <p>Secondhand Smoke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If legislature won't help protect Kentuckians from the health threat of tobacco, local governments should, Herald-Leader says. • San Francisco Bans Smoking in Parks to Protect Animals |
| <p>Events</p> | <p>Events in Lexington</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CONFERENCE: The Art and Science of Palliative Medicine Conference: May 13, 2016, Keeneland Sales Pavilion, 4201 Versailles Rd., Lexington, KY 40501. Hosted by Hospice of the Bluegrass. Participants will identify the importance of palliative care in meeting the needs of seriously ill individuals; Describe strategies for encouraging advance care planning and conversations around values and preferences for medical care in the context of serious illness; articulate key trends in health care delivery that will influence the future of hospice and palliative care. CEs available. Registration is \$99. • HPV Conference: Join us at the HPV You ARE the key! Conference at the Embassy Suites, 1801 Newtown Pike in Lexington on June 21st. The conference is sponsored by the Kentucky Rural Health Association in collaboration with the Kentucky Immunization Program and the Division of Women’s Health. View the draft agenda and sponsor form, and register on TRAIN. <p>Events in Louisville</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAVE THE DATE: Never Too Young Forum: A focus on under 50 colon cancer on June 9, 2016 at Spalding University in Louisville. This free event will spotlight this trend and how physicians and supporters can do something about it. We’ll also have breakout sessions for patients and survivors impacted at age 50 and under, and their friends and family. There will be the opportunity to earn 5 Continuing Education credits. • CONFERENCE: 8th Annual Worksite Wellness Conference & Awards: Wednesday, May 18th, 2016, 7:30am – 4:00pm, E.P. “Tom” Sawyer State Park, Sawyer Hayes Community Center, 3000 Freys Hill Rd., Louisville, KY 40241. Join 250+ individuals to learn how to establish and grow a worksite wellness program, learn about new proven resources, |

network with others focused on wellness, and share wellness program success stories.

- **SAVE THE DATE:** Kentucky Cancer Control Summit.....on **November 9-10, 2016** at the Muhammad Ali Center in Louisville.
- There are MULTIPLE upcoming events and support groups are being held at [Gilda's Club Louisville](#), from Wellness Groups to book clubs to support for caregivers. Check out [this flyer](#) for topics, dates and times!

Events of Interest (in chronological order)

- [The 8th Biennial Cancer Survivorship Research Conference, "Innovation in a Rapidly Changing Landscape,"](#) will be held **June 16-18, 2016**, at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, DC. [Registration is NOW OPEN for the 2016 Cancer Survivorship Research Conference and Survivor Advocate Program.](#) The American Cancer Society, the National Cancer Institute of the National Institutes of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the LIVESTRONG Foundation are bringing together researchers, clinicians, cancer survivors, advocates, program planners, policy-makers, and public health experts to present, discuss and disseminate groundbreaking cancer survivorship research.
- [Unity 2016 Conference to be held in Atlanta, Georgia - Community Health Workers: Social Change Agents Advancing Health Equity and Improving Outcomes.](#) The Center for Sustainable Health Outreach (CSHO) at The University of Southern Mississippi will hold its 14th annual Unity conference **July 17-20, 2016 at Crowne Plaza Atlanta Midtown** in Atlanta, Georgia. Unity 2016 is a national conference designed for and about community health workers, and will address the role community health workers play in creating access to care, reducing care costs, and promoting healthy and happy communities.
- **Area Health Education Center 25th Annual Summer Conference** will be held **July 21 & 22, 2016** in the Rockcastle County High School in Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** The [25th AICR Research Conference on Nutrition, Physical Activity, Obesity and Cancer](#) will be held on **November 14-16, 2016** at the Marriott Bethesda North Hotel & Conference Center in North Bethesda, MD.