

As a training and technical assistance provider of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, the ACS is happy to share the Spring 2023 edition of the **CCC Circular** – a communication highlighting ACS events and resources for your cancer coalition efforts.



News You Can Use

Check out the [NEW Facilitative Leadership for Cancer Coalitions Toolkit!](#)

This comprehensive toolkit of best practices for facilitative leaders will be your go-to reference guide when working with groups. The tips and tools included will help you set direction, make decisions, and act on the issues that are important to your coalition. Facilitative leadership is built around the five core practices of trusting the group, modeling authenticity, creating a path forward, developing people, and addressing conflicts and disagreements. Browse through the toolkit today!

Don't miss the recently released [Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan Tip Sheet on Childhood Cancer](#). This Tip Sheet is part of a series offered through the [Comprehensive Cancer Control National Partnership \(CCCNP\)](#) offering guidance on how to address childhood cancer when revising your cancer plan.

American Cancer Society researchers developed [Empowered to Quit](#), an email-based program to help people quit smoking. Share this free smoking cessation program with your partners and coalition members!

The Benefits of Healthy Behaviors for Cancer Survivors Video Series is now in Spanish! This informative video series describes the benefits of healthy behaviors during and after treatment for people with cancer and cancer survivors. Five animated videos provide critical messages about healthy diets, physical activity, healthy body weight, and alcohol consumption. The last video covers special topics of interest to cancer survivors, including dietary supplements, special diets, intermittent fasting, cannabis, stress, sleep, and emotional and mental health. [Check them out!](#)



ACS Research News

First Study of Trends in Cancer Death Rates by Congressional District

ACS has [published the first study of its kind](#) examining disparities in reducing cancer death rates by congressional district. Takeaways include:

- Districts in the Midwest and South, regions with generally weaker tobacco control policies, had the slowest decline in lung cancer deaths.
- The highest colorectal cancer death rates are found around the Mississippi River Valley in the South and in Appalachia.
- For both breast and prostate cancers, the congressional districts which had previously had the highest death rates saw the largest reduction in deaths.

Disparities in the declines highlight the need for improved access to prevention and early detection services, such as increased federal and state funding for the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, tobacco control programs, Medicaid expansion, and passing the federal Prostate Specific Antigen Screening for High-Risk Insured Men Act.



ACS Roundtable Round-Up

ACS NATIONAL LUNG CANCER ROUNDTABLE. The American Cancer Society National Lung Cancer Roundtable (ACS NLCRT), American College of Radiology (ACR), and Radiology Health Equity Coalition (RHEC) are once again partnering for the second annual **National Lung Cancer Screening Day** ("National LCS Day") on **Saturday, November 11, 2023**. Screening center partners nationwide are asked to open their doors on a Saturday, allowing individuals to access screening without having to take a day off work. [Read more here](#), and stay tuned for promotional resources for use by your coalition!

ACS NATIONAL COLORECTAL CANCER ROUNDTABLE. The National Colorectal Cancer Round Table (NCCRT) released a [new 2.5-minute video](#) that can be used to promote and explain "80% in Every Community" - our bold, shared goal to reach colorectal cancer screening rates of 80% and higher in communities across the nation.

ACS NATIONAL HPV VACCINATION ROUNDTABLE. Join HPV Vaccination partners from around the country for a webinar on June 14, 2023, from 2 pm - 3 pm EST, **HPV Communications - Evaluating Your Impact.** Learn from HPV evaluation experts on how to frame your evaluation strategy, monitor the process and impact of efforts to improve HPV vaccination coverage, and use the results for future planning. [Register today!](#)

ACS NATIONAL NAVIGATION ROUNDTABLE. Listen to the archived recording of the recent NNRT webinar [Reaching Communities through Patient Navigation: Evidence for Action](#), which explored the Community Guide, the Community Preventive Services Task Force, PONT Standards, and CDC National Comprehensive Cancer Control recommendations to increase cancer screening through patient navigation processes.

ACS NATIONAL BREAST CANCER ROUNDTABLE. Did you know that in the United States this year, invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in an estimated 297,790 women and 2,800 men? Find out more about what the ACS NBCRT is doing to address breast cancer by [browsing their website](#).

ACS NATIONAL ROUNDTABLE ON CERVICAL CANCER. The ACS NRTCC recently finalized its vision, mission, and health equity statements. Through formative research, the NRTCC has also identified its top 5 priorities, which will form the focus for five workgroups: Provider/Clinician Education, Community Education, Stigma, Primary HPV, and Access. Read more on [their website](#).



American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN)

Cancer Advocates Urge Congress: Refrain from Tying Debt Limit Proposal to Problematic Public Health Provisions

Cancer advocates are urging legislators to reconsider some aspects of the Live, Learn, Grow Act that proposes significant cuts to federally funded cancer research. The proposed deal would reduce federal spending for agencies such as the National Institutes for Health and National Cancer Institute in exchange for raising the nation's debt ceiling. The Act would also implement Medicaid work requirements that would restrict access to affordable health care. [Find out more here.](#)



A Tool for Your CCC Toolbox!

The ACS NLCRT State-Based Initiative Planning Tool

Whether your coalition is just beginning to coalesce around lung cancer or you have a well-seasoned lung cancer workgroup, there is something for everyone in the [State-Based Initiative Planning Tool](#). This practical tool includes step-by-step guidance, tips, and resources on everything from how to build a network of partners to how to create an action plan that will define your implementation path and help keep partners engaged in defined roles. Share it with your lung cancer coalition partners today and identify the next steps in your coalition's collaborative lung cancer efforts.



Clinical Trials – A Learning Opportunity

The American Cancer Society is hosting a 3-part webinar series in June called [Navigation to Clinical Trials](#). The series of one-hour webinars on June 5th, 20th, and 27th will focus on the importance of oncology clinical trials, processes for addressing patient barriers preventing participation in clinical trials, and practices for navigating patients through clinical trials. [Register for the webinars today!](#)



Partner Highlight

Comprehensive Cancer Control National Partnership - Cancer Conversations

Join CCCNP for the next [Cancer Conversation](#) on June 20th at 4 pm EST. These are quarterly, one-hour learning sessions that offer CCC Programs & Coalitions an opportunity to hear from national experts on timely topics impacting coalition work and networking with like-minded professionals from across the country. Sessions include a 20–30-minute presentation from a subject matter expert, followed by facilitated Q & A with the speaker and participants. The June 20th installment is titled **Lifestyle Guidelines for Cancer Survivors**. Speakers Cynthia Thomson, PhD, RD, and Jaime Aiken will provide insights on the latest ACS and ASCO guidelines for nutrition, physical activity, and health promotion among cancer survivors. Discover how to incorporate survivorship into your cancer plan. [Register today!](#)