

CCRAB Newsletter

SUMMER 2018

1. Florida Cancer Programming and Efforts Meeting

On July 31st, Drs. Christopher Cogle and Clement Gwede met in Tallahassee with Dr. Celeste Philip and the Florida Department of Health staff, Drs. Danny Armstrong and Richard Nowakowski, chair and vice chair of the Biomedical Research Advisory Council (BRAC), and Dr. Tom Stringer, chair of the Prostate Cancer Advisory Council (PCAC) to discuss the Department's cancer programs and grant aims, and opportunities to enhance collaboration. Specific updates will be provided at the CCRAB meeting on October 26th in Tampa.

2. HPV Vaccination

The Florida Department of Health with the American Cancer Society presented an important training webinar titled "Addressing HPV Vaccine Hesitancy and Myths" on July 25th. Links to the webinar recording and evaluation are below. The webinar evaluation must be completed to receive CEs, MCEs or a Certificate of Attendance. Webinar recording (*note webinar starts at 9 min and 15 seconds): <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/204362218875321859>; Webinar evaluation: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HPVWebinar-July2018>. This training opportunity supports the Florida Cancer Plan 2015-2020 goals to promote the HPV vaccine for Florida's youth, and increase the HPV vaccination coverage for females and males aged 13 to 15 years to 80% by 2020.

3. Cancer Clinical Trials

The Florida Cancer Plan 2015-2020 includes goals to increase the number of Floridians with access to and participation in cancer clinical trials. On August 7th, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) hosted a policy forum on clinical trials in Orlando, which included an informative and productive panel discussion on clinical trials barriers. Dr. Christopher Cogle was the panel moderator. Two additional CCRAB members, Representative Jamie Grant and Dr. Asher Chanan-Khan, were panelists. We look forward to working collaboratively with all stakeholders on this important issue.

4. CCRAB Member & Staff Spotlight: Dr. Patricia Geddie

We are pleased to welcome CCRAB's newest member, Patricia Geddie. Dr. Geddie was appointed by the Florida Nurses Association (FNA). We are excited about her participation on the Council as we continue our work to reduce Florida's cancer burden.

5. Next CCRAB Meeting: Friday, October 26, 2018 at Moffitt Cancer Center

The next CCRAB meeting will be held on Friday, October 26th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Moffitt Cancer Center in the Stable Research Building Trustees Boardroom. Additional details and an agenda will be made available prior to the meeting.



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