

**FLORIDA CANCER CONTROL AND RESEARCH ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2015                    10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
**Moffitt Cancer Center-Stabile Research Building**  
**Board of Trustees Room**

**Council Members in Attendance**

- John Armstrong, MD, FACS - Florida's Surgeon General (By Phone)
- Jessica Bahari-Kashani, MD - Florida Medical Association (By Phone)
- Robert Cassell, MD, PhD - Association of Community Cancer Centers
- Christopher Cogle, MD - University of Florida - Senate President's Appointee
- Marti Coley – Nemours Children's Hospital - House Speaker's Appointee (By Phone)
- Thomas George, MD FACP - University of Florida (*Chair*)
- Lawrence Hochman, DO, FACRO - Florida Osteopathic Medical Association
- Speaker Pro-Tempore Matt Hudson - House Speaker's Appointee
- Erin Kobetz, PhD, MPH - Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, University of Miami (By Phone)
- Amy Smith, MD – Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children – Governor's Appointee
- Megan Wessel, MPH - American Cancer Society

**Other Non-Council Members in Attendance**

- Dr. Daniel Armstrong – Chair, Florida Biomedical Research Advisory Council
- Celeste Philip, MD – Deputy Secretary for Health, Florida Department of Health
- Clement Gwede, PhD., MPH, RN, FAAN - Moffitt Cancer Center
- David J. Lee PhD – Florida Cancer Data System
- Gary Levin, BA, CTR – Florida Cancer Data System
- Phillip Cavicchia, PhD – Florida Department of Health
- Sharon Watkins, PhD – Florida Department of Health
- Susan Vadaparampi, PhD - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Merritt Martin - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Laura Lenhart - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Jamie Wilson - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Sandra Stonencypher - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Heather Youmans - American Cancer Society (By Phone)
- Tara Hylton - Florida Cancer Data System (By Phone)
- Sam Mooneyham, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Trina Thompson, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Gregg Smith, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Bonnie Gaughan-Bailey, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Felicia Dickey, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Marian Banzhaf, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Shannon Hughes, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Linda Loy, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)
- Ensley Mara, Florida Department of Health (By Phone)

## **Welcome & Introductions**

Dr. Thom George began by welcoming all members and guests, and also briefly reviewing the day's agenda. Each Council member, guest, and participants on the phone took a moment to introduce themselves to the room.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Dr. Thom George led the motion to review and approve the meeting minutes from the May 18, 2015 meeting. After hearing no motions to amend the minutes, Rep. Matt Hudson and Dr. Amy Smith motioned to approve the minutes. The Council concurred.

## **Review of Florida Cancer Plan as Roadmap for Meeting**

Dr. Thom George briefly spoke to how the Council should consider maneuvering through the day by reviewing the cancer plan as a roadmap for structuring conversation and action items moving forward. The cancer plan has thematically outlined five major points to move the needle in Florida. The five points are:

1. Cancer as a Journey/Florida's Cancer Burden
2. The Best Defense is a Great Offense: Recommended Health Screenings
3. Improving Patient Outcomes with Treatment
4. Beyond the Cancer Diagnosis
5. Florida as a Cancer Care and Research Destination

Dr. George stressed that in moving forward throughout the day's agenda, the Council identify or address unmet needs, and those items will be collated at the end, essentially defining the agenda and action items for the spring 2016 meeting.

## **Cancer Prevention in Florida**

- **80% x 2018 Colorectal Cancer Screening Initiative**

- Megan Wessel, from the American Cancer Society, presented on their 80% x 2018 colorectal cancer screening initiative. Megan reviewed what the 80% by 2018 initiative is: a national colorectal cancer roundtable initiative, co-founded by the American Cancer Society and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, with the shared goal of 80% of adults aged 50 and older being regularly screened for colorectal cancer by 2018. Megan also reviewed the American Cancer Societies recommended screening guidelines and current policies in place to improve overall access to screening. (*Presentation materials included.*) In response, the Council discussed potential barriers such as: taboos surrounding colorectal screenings, the most effective types of testing, insurance coverage, and patient access (rural v. metropolis). The action items determined by the Council are as follows:

- (Roundtable) Florida Specific Colorectal Cancer Screening Task Force/Steering Group to provide feedback to CCRAB... recommended presenting status updates to CCRAB at the next meeting
- FIT follow-up colonoscopy as screening service to payers and providers
- Link to goal 3

- **HPV Vaccination and Screening**
  - Dr. Susan Vadaparampil, Senior Member – Division of Population Science at Moffitt Cancer Center, presented on the HPV vaccination in the state of Florida, highlighting the current status and opportunities for improvement. (*Presentation materials included.*) Dr. Vadaparampil provided a brief background about the HPV infection and related cancers, discussed current available HPV vaccines and recommendations, showed current national and statewide rates of HPV vaccination, and discussed potential strategies to increase vaccination rates throughout the state. The action items determined by the Council are as follows:
    - (Roundtable) A Florida specific HPV think-tank, similar to the Colorectal Cancer Screening Task Force/Steering Group, to come together to workout access barriers and create a Florida specific action plan. Recommended to meet in the spring and report back to CCRAB at the next meeting.
    - Speaker's toolkit (FDOH sponsored) for providers directly to community (lay) audience
    - Link to goal 3

#### **BRAC: Update from Biomedical Research Symposia and Research Plan**

Dr. Danny Armstrong, Chair of Florida's Biomedical Research Advisory Council (BRAC), presented an update of the council's research plan (*See attached presentation*). Following the presentation, the Council discussed the need for a more robust "trickle down" document reflecting the full impact of the monies allocated to Florida's Biomedical Trust fund, which is distributed through BRAC. The action items determined by the Council are as follows:

- A request to have that ripple effect document/presentation on the state wide impact of the BRAC program
  - Testimonials vs. Full Analysis
- Presentation to House HC appropriations RE: ROI to state of biomedical investments

#### **Lunch and Learn: CCRAB/FCDS Taskforce**

A prominent action item from the Spring 2015 CCRAB meeting was for CCRAB to work collaboratively with the Florida Cancer Data System (FCDS) through an auxiliary group to guide FCDS in the development of a business plan, in order to create a defined list of needs to present to the Legislature. (*Business plan and power point presentation are attached.*) Through these meetings, FCDS created a comprehensive business plan clearly identifying three core enhancements:

1. Strengthen overall registry completeness by including laboratory reports
2. Improvement of quality assurance activities
3. Improvement of data utilization by creating an automated web-based data request system.

It was made clear that the modernization proposal was a necessary first step to bring FCDS up to 2015 standards. Future modernization proposals will involve expanding capacity, efficiencies and increasing data inclusivity. Upon FCDS presenting the completed business plan and recommendations to the full Council, Dr. George moved for discussion and approval on the plan. Dr. Chris Cogle made a motion for

approval, Dr. Lawrence Hochman made a secondary motion, and the Council approved the proposal to modernize FCDS. Other action items determined by the Council are as follows:

- Consider creation of outcomes based pilot program as part of reaccreditation process
- BRAC Infrastructure FOA to use FCDS or co-develop IT resources
- Collaboration between AHCA and FDOH and Medicaid to allow data repository
- Clearinghouse of FCDS data used as part of annual report generation on ROI to state
- Continuation of Task Force to support continued modernization efforts

### **Cancer Plan Progress Updates & Monitoring**

FDOH presented a proposal to assist with monitoring progress related to meeting the goals of the Florida Cancer Plan. Specific action items proposed by the discussion included the following:

- Form a Cancer Plan Evaluation Committee
  - Should include FDOH programs + other stakeholders + Champion
- Cancer Plan progress reports are to be a standing order of business for the Council – a 6 month scorecard “check-up” due at the next meeting.

### **Landscape 2016: Perspective for the Upcoming Legislative Session**

When CCRAB met in May 2015, the Legislature had adjourned Session early without having passed a budget, reconvening in June to pass the state’s budget. Speaker Pro Tempore Matt Hudson provided a review of the last year of action by Florida’s Legislature.

Heather Youmans, Legislative Affairs Director for the American Cancer Society Action Network, provided an overview of ACS-CAN’s 2016 Legislative agenda. Top priorities included: launching a campaign to increase Florida’s tobacco tax by at least \$1.00 and increasing the Bankhead-Coley Cancer Research Program and the King Biomedical Research Program by \$5 million each – increasing the program total to \$30 million.

Both Rep. Hudson and Ms. Youmans advised the Council on the \$700 million shortfall of Low Income Pool funding – a reoccurring issue from the 2015 Session.

### **Action Items**

Dr. George reviewed the collected action items from each of the sessions and summarized the needs. The action items are as follows...

- Cancer Prevention
  - Colorectal
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  - HPV
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- BRAC
  - A request to have that ripple effect document/presentation on the state wide impact of the BRAC program
    - Testimonials vs. Full Analysis
  - Presentation to House HC appropriations RE: ROI to state of biomedical investments
- FCDS
  - CCRAB going on record supporting the modernization proposal
  - Consider creation of outcomes based pilot program as part of reaccreditation process
  - BRAC Infrastructure FOA to use FCDS or co-develop IT resources
  - Collaboration between AHCA and FDOH and Medicaid to allow data repository
  - Clearinghouse of FCDS data used as part of annual report generation on ROI to state
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#### **Adjourn**

Dr. Thom George thanked everyone for their time and participation. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.