

# CCRAB Newsletter

## WINTER 2018

### 1. Florida Cancer Plan Revision Begins

CCRAB officially began crafting the 2020-2025 Florida Cancer Plan on December 17, 2018. The committee discussed the process for revisions, distinguished other state cancer plans to study, and identified additional people to include in the process. Drs. Cogle and McKee also submitted to the Florida Department of Health a request to support facilitators and writers for the upcoming year of revising work. The next meeting of the committee on cancer plan revisions will take place in January 2019, and at least monthly thereafter.

### 2. CCRAB Presents to Florida Prostate Cancer Advisory Council

On December 8, 2018, Dr. Cogle represented CCRAB at the Florida Prostate Cancer Advisory Council (PCAC) meeting. He updated PCAC on the trends of the cancer burden in Florida and our CCRAB's efforts to revise the Florida Cancer Plan for publication in early 2020. In specific, Dr. Cogle solicited advice from PCAC regarding state goals for prostate cancer screening and treatment. Among several helpful comments, PCAC recommended changing the screening metric from men who have undergone PSA and DRE screening to men who have had discussions with their clinicians regarding prostate cancer screening.

### 3. Florida Regional Cancer Control Collaboratives

The Florida Department of Health receives CDC support to carry out the Florida Cancer Plan goals at the local level. Our state has been divided into 6 regions and a sub-contracted non-profit group in each region hosts activities and meetings. We encourage each CCRAB member to attend at least one meeting of their respective regional cancer control collaborative. By participating in your local collaborative, you will see first-hand how our state cancer plan is interpreted and activated. These observations are crucial to informing our policy work at the state level. To find your local regional collaborative, please go here: [http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/cancer/\\_documents/regional-cancer-collaboratives-map.pdf](http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/cancer/_documents/regional-cancer-collaboratives-map.pdf)

### 4. CCRAB Member & Staff Spotlight: Carole Duncanson

We are pleased to welcome Carole Duncanson as a new CCRAB Council Member. She was appointed by the Florida Speaker of the House of Representatives in the seat reserved for a current or former cancer patient or a current or former caregiver to a cancer patient.

### 5. CCRAB Member & Staff Spotlight: Dr. Mitchell Peabody

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Mitchell F. Peabody as a new CCRAB Council Member. Dr. Peabody is a hematologist and medical oncologist in Tallahassee and will serve as the representative of the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association.

### 6. Next CCRAB Meeting: Friday, May 17, 2019 at Moffitt Outpatient Center

The next CCRAB meeting will be held on Friday, May 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Moffitt's Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation Outpatient Center at McKinley Campus located at 10920 McKinley Drive in Tampa. Additional details and an agenda will be made available prior to the meeting.



## Florida Cancer Control & Research Advisory Council

The Florida Cancer Control and Research Advisory Council (CCRAB) was established by the Florida Legislature in 1979 with the purpose of advising the Legislature, Governor, and Surgeon General on ways to reduce Florida's cancer burden. Dr. Christopher Cogle is the Chair of CCRAB, and Dr. Clement Gwede is the Vice Chair.