

**FLORIDA CANCER CONTROL AND RESEARCH ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Friday, May 21, 2021, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

Council Members in Attendance

- Senator Aaron Bean - Senate President's Appointee
- Asher Chanan-Khan, MD - Florida Hospital Association
- Representative Linda Chaney - House Speaker's Appointee
- Christopher Cogle, MD - Senate President's Appointee
- Mike Diaz, MD - Association of Community Cancer Centers
- Carole Duncanson - House Speaker's Appointee
- Patricia Geddie, PhD, APRN-CNS, AOCNS - Florida Nurses Association
- Clement Gwede, PhD, MPH, RN, FAAN - Moffitt Cancer Center (Chair)
- Erin Kobetz, PhD - Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center University of Miami (Vice Chair)
- Nitesh Paryani, MD - Florida Medical Association
- Scott Rivkees, MD - Florida's Surgeon General, Florida Department of Health
- Ramzi Salloum, PhD - University of Florida Shands Cancer Center
- Megan Wessel, MPH - American Cancer Society

Council Members Not in Attendance

- Mitchell Peabody, DO - Florida Osteopathic Medical Association
- Amy Smith, MD - Governor's Appointee

Others

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| • Kathy Andresen | • Felisha Dickey | • Kimberly Millrood |
| • Daniel Armstrong | • Linda Friedlander | • Jose Morales |
| • Carolyn Austin | • Bonnie Gaughan-Bailey | • Laura Morse |
| • Leanne Bailey | • Susan Harbin | • Vanessa Naranjo |
| • Marion Banzhaf | • Emily Hays | • Elieser Nodarse |
| • Patricia Barrington | • Meredith Hennon | • Ken Peach |
| • Leah Bass | • Paul Hull | • Andrea Peaten |
| • Kevin Buller | • Monique Johnson | • Luis Raez |
| • Nannette Clark | • Thomas Joos | • Aubrey Reichard-Eline |
| • Lara Collazo | • Melissa Jordan | • Jennifer Rivera |
| • Chelsea Cook | • Gary Levin | • Heather Sciartelli |
| • Laura Corbin | • Ashley Lyerly | • Thomas Stringer |
| • Hailee Cornett | • Merritt Martin | • Amanda Terminello |
| • Nicole Costa | • Rebecca McClain | • Susan Vadaparampil |
| • John DeMuro | • Bobbie McKee | • Lynn Vinson |
| • Robin DeWalt | • Christina Mershell | • Jamie Wilson |
| • Kathy Diaz | | |

Welcome

Dr. Clement Gwede began by welcoming members and guests, taking a moment to reaffirm the Council's mission to advise the state on ways to reduce cancer burden, and reviewing the day's agenda. Council members introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Gwede presented the minutes from October 23, 2020. Dr. Chris Cogle made a motion to accept the minutes. Dr. Asher Chanan-Khan seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The Council concurred with no objections.

Opening Remarks

Dr. Gwede discussed Florida's cancer burden and the health equity focus of the 2020-2025 Florida Cancer Plan. He reviewed the long-term vision of cancer in Florida and emphasized the importance of monitoring the impact of COVID-19 on cancer outcomes.

Biomedical Research Advisory Council (BRAC) Update

Dr. Danny Armstrong gave an update on the state's cancer research programs. Dr. Armstrong discussed how these programs build infrastructure in the state and provided examples of funded projects. There was discussion regarding grants for prevention. There was discussion regarding the funds needed to close the merit gap for the James and Esther King and Bankhead Coley programs, which continues to be a top priority for CCRAB.

COVID-19 Update

Dr. Scott Rivkees provided an update on COVID-19 and discussed factors contributing to the eventual end of pandemics. There has been a continued decrease of COVID-19 cases in Florida since January. It is critical to continue focusing on the medically vulnerable, older individuals, individuals with underlying conditions. There is an ample supply of vaccine in the state. The Department of Health (DOH) is involved with numerous surveillance programs to collect data regarding variants of the virus.

Resumption of Cancer Screenings

Dr. Mike Diaz shared study details regarding the COVID-19 impact on cancer screenings in Florida and nationally using claims data through November 2020 to compare monthly screening and biopsy rates with the previous year's monthly rates.

Ms. Megan Wessel shared information about the American Cancer Society's (ACS) campaign focused on resumption of cancer services, including consumer testing for messaging, perceived barriers, and trusted sources. The ACS has developed a toolkit, which is accessible online with other resources at acs4ccc.org.

Ms. Felisha Dickey shared information regarding the Florida Department of Health's (DOH) efforts to promote the resumption of cancer screenings. The Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (BCCEDP) is using mobile units throughout the state and new marketing. The Comprehensive Cancer Control Program is also actively engaged in partnerships and outreach focused on HPV vaccination and colorectal cancer screening.

Legislative Update & Discussion

Senator Aaron Bean began by sharing that while it was a challenging year, the State managed to maintain health care appropriations funding from previous year. Legislation regarding protecting Florida research from foreign influence was passed this Session. Representative Linda Chaney discussed

restoration of funds following termination of the Chiles Endowment Fund and reviewed other areas of focus during the Legislative Session, including the environment and education. Ms. Susan Harbin reviewed several items that the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) focused on during the Session, including funding for the Mary Brogan Breast and Cervical Early Detection Program, the State's cancer research programs, and the tobacco prevention and education program. There was discussion regarding tobacco control legislation.

Cervical Cancer Elimination Presentation

Dr. Susan Vadaparampil delivered a presentation on cervical cancer elimination. Dr. Vadaparampil reviewed HPV vaccination rates pre- and post-COVID-19 pandemic, strategies to overcome barriers to HPV vaccination, and current efforts focused on resumption and catch-up of vaccination. There was discussion regarding actions stakeholders can take. These efforts are aligned with Florida Cancer Plan Goal 4: Eliminate cervical cancer as a public health problem in Florida by increasing vaccination against HPV and increasing cervical cancer screening. CCRAB will continue to work with stakeholders on this goal.

Regional Cancer Control Collaborative Spotlights

Mr. Ken Peach delivered a presentation on the North Central Florida Cancer Control Collaborative.

Ms. Kim Millrood delivered a presentation on the Northeast Florida Cancer Control Collaborative.

State Cancer Plan Implementation: Dashboard Demonstration and Discussion

Dr. Erin Kobetz provided an update on the development of a Florida Cancer Plan Dashboard with data to help determine progress and inform the selection of priorities throughout the implementation process.

Mr. Eli Nodarse shared a demonstration of the Florida Cancer Plan Dashboard under development, and asked meeting attendees for feedback.

There was discussion regarding the inclusion of other data sources and showing county-level data. The Cancer Plan Dashboard will enable stakeholders to use data to identify priorities and also provide evidence-based practices. The ACS may have additional data and evidence-based practices available to assist with development of the dashboard.

Comments

Dr. Gwede invited any meeting attendees to make comments.

Next CCRAB Meeting

Dr. Gwede stated that the next CCRAB meeting will be in September 2021. Revisions to the Florida Cancer Plan will be taken up at this meeting. Dr. Bobbie McKee will follow-up with Council members for availability.

Adjourn

Dr. Gwede thanked everyone for participating. The meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM on May 21, 2021.