

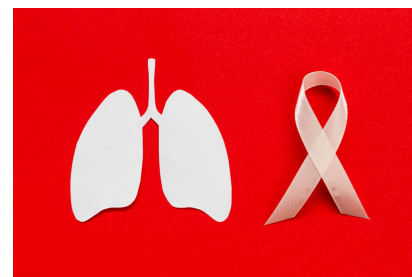


News from the Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative | November 2024

AWARENESS

November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month

Lung cancer is by far the leading cause of cancer death in the U.S., accounting for about 1 in 5 of all cancer deaths. More people die of lung cancer every year than die of breast, colon and prostate cancers combined.



Lung Cancer Awareness Month is an annual observance held throughout the month of November. Check out this [toolkit](#) from the GW Cancer Center.

National Lung Cancer Screening Day will be observed on Saturday, Nov. 9. Providers can participate by opening their facility for screening. The American Cancer Society National Lung Cancer Roundtable, ACR®, Radiology Health Equity Coalition and Go2 for Lung Cancer have partnered again for this annual event to increase screening access for people who cannot take time off during the week to get screened.

[Lung cancer screening guidelines](#) are established by the U.S. Preventive Services Taskforce. They recommend annual screening with low-dose computed tomography (LDCT) in adults aged 50 to 80 years who have a 20 pack-year smoking history and currently smoke or have quit within the past 15 years.

The number of new lung cancer cases continues to decrease, partly because more people are [quitting smoking](#) (or not starting). The number of deaths from lung cancer continues to drop as well, due to fewer people smoking and advances in early detection and treatment.

More good news: Wisconsin offers a free [Tobacco Quit Line](#) service that has helped more than 200,000 people in their journey to address their smoking, vaping, or chewing tobacco.

The Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative has published an updated [Lung Cancer Infographic](#), available for member use.

[View the
Toolkit](#)

[Learn More About Screening Day](#)

[View the Infographic](#)

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WCC NEWS

Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative Is Accepting Nominations for Steering Committee

Would you like to use your experience and skills to help guide a statewide approach to cancer control and prevention? Consider joining the Steering Committee of the Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative.

Express your interest in joining the Steering Committee by filling out this brief nomination form by November 27, 2024. Nominees will be selected in December, and new members will begin their term in January 2025. To be eligible, you need to work, serve, or reside in Wisconsin.

View the [complete list](#) of Steering Committee responsibilities and requirements, or email Beth Brunner to learn more at eabrunner@wisc.edu.

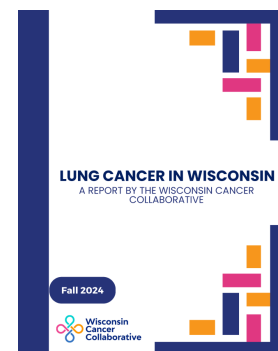
[View the Nomination Form](#)

WCC News

New Lung Cancer in Wisconsin Report Coming Soon!

Watch you emails for news on a new report, Lung Cancer in Wisconsin.

The report will be released in the coming weeks, and members will be notified of its availability by email.



ACA MARKETPLACE NEWS

Open Enrollment for ACA and Medicare Coverage

The ACA Marketplace insurance coverage will start open enrollment on November 1 through December 15 for coverage beginning on January 1, 2025. Open enrollment will end on January 15, 2025, and those that signed up for coverage between December 16, 2024 – January 15, 2025, will have their insurance begin on February 1, 2025. For more information visit the [Covering Wisconsin website](#).

Medicare open enrollment for plans starting on January 1, 2025, began on October 15 and will last until December 7, 2024. Starting in 2025, Medicare Part D drug coverage will include a \$2,000 annual out of pocket cap on prescription drugs, and the Medicare Prescription Payment Plan (MPPP) will allow beneficiaries to spread out payment for their drugs over a year. Those on Medicare must proactively opt in to this benefit.

[Visit the Covering Wisconsin](#)

OPPORTUNITY

Survivorship Community of Practice Recruiting for 2025

The Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative is now recruiting select health systems and/or community-based organizations for our 2025 Survivorship Community of Practice (COP).

The goal of the group is to improve cancer survivorship care for Wisconsinites at their site, share strategies with the group, learn from one another, pool resources, and provide technical assistance.

Organizations in the 2025 Survivorship COP will be asked to complete work of their own choice in one of the key gap areas of mental health, sexual health, fertility, or exercise/rehabilitation services. **Meetings happen virtually, and quarterly. Space is limited.**

If you want to learn more or are interested in joining the 2025 Survivorship Community of Practice, please contact Allison Antoine at antoine2@wisc.edu.

To learn more, read the report that sparked this work: [The Current Status of Survivorship Care Provision at the State Level: a Wisconsin-Based Assessment](#).

[Read the Report](#)

Partner Announcements

A short list of funding opportunities, calls for proposals and other news from our members and partners.

To submit an announcement for an upcoming newsletter please [email us](#).



HPV VACCINES

Grant Opportunity from Immunize Wisconsin

Immunize Wisconsin's 2025 grant cycle is now open and will award projects, programs, and initiatives that increase education and vaccine uptake for people living in Wisconsin. HPV and hepatitis B vaccines are important cancer prevention tools. **All Requests for Proposals are due by November 13, 2024.**

[Learn More](#)

Eligible project focus areas include:

- Efforts to increase RSV vaccination
- Increasing vaccination in underserved communities
- Outreach addressing vaccine hesitancy & medical mistrust
- Equity, diversity, and inclusivity projects
- Enhanced access to immunizations for underserved regions
- Vaccine confidence activities

Ineligible projects include:

- RICE grantees
- Capital campaigns
- Financial reserves
- Individual financial support
- Political agendas
- Vaccine purchase

Learn more at [Grant Programs - Immunize Wisconsin](#).

RECOMMENDATION

New COVID-19 Vaccine Recommendation- Implications for People with Cancer

The Centers for Disease Control has recommended a second dose of 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine for people 65 years and older and for people who are moderately or severely immunocompromised. That group can include some people with cancer and who are on chemotherapy, those who have had a solid organ transplant and are taking medication to keep their transplant, and people who have used corticosteroids for a long time. The [news release](#) and more [information on vaccines for moderately to severely compromised people](#) are linked at right.

[Read the Media Release](#)

[Read More](#)

RESOURCE

New Toolkit to Support Health Systems Utilizing the National Standards for Cancer Survivorship Care

A new toolkit has been released on the [NCI Office of Cancer Survivorship](#) website. The toolkit provides resources to support health systems and organizations as they utilize the survivorship standards to develop or enhance their survivorship services. Resources were recommended by survivorship subject matter experts involved in the development of the standards.

The toolkit includes

- Key definitions
- Organizational assessment tool
- Guidance for implementing the standards
- Survivorship guidelines and resources
- Link to an example health policy template aligned with the standards

[Visit the Toolkit](#)

Resources and Reports

STUDY

COVID-19 Impact on Cancer Incidence Rates

A recent [study](#) in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute assessed 2021 cancer incidence rates from the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) program to evaluate the impacts of the pandemic. They found that although overall incidence rates, were closer to pre-pandemic rates, they didn't reflect delayed diagnoses from 2020. The exception to this is metastatic breast cancer, which showed significantly higher observed rates in 2021 than expected.

[Read the Study](#)

American Cancer Society Caregiver Support Video Series

[View the Videos](#)

November is National Family Caregivers month. Caregivers are a crucial part of any cancer care team. The goal of this [video series](#) is to provide educational support to caregivers as they assist with the everyday needs of cancer patients and provide self-care techniques to improve their quality of life.

- Physical Care Training: drain care, lifting, pain management, medication management, symptom/side effect management, and identifying signs of infection.
- Caregiver Self-Care: nutrition, physical activity, stress management and coping, dealing with fear of recurrence, and deep breathing/meditation.
- Advocacy: how to effectively communicate your loved one's needs to the cancer care team.
- Caregiver Stories: caregivers share their experiences through the ups and downs of their journey.

Upcoming Events

WEBINAR

What's Legal About Cancer?

November 6

Noon - 1:00 p.m.

Hosted by the American Cancer Society and Triage Cancer

[Register](#)

WEBINAR

Empowering American Indian and Alaska Native Communities: Bridging Gaps in HPV Vaccination and Cancer Prevention

November 6

Noon - 1:15 p.m.

Hosted by St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

[Register](#)

WEBINAR

Inclusivity & Outreach for LGBTQI+ Populations in Cancer Care

November 12

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Hosted by the National LGBT Cancer Network and UW Carbone Community Outreach & Engagement

[View the Flyer](#)[Join the Webinar](#)

WEBINAR

November 13

Cancer Prevention in Dental Clinics (HPV and Tobacco)

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Hosted by Indiana Cancer Consortium

[View the
Flyer](#)

[Register](#)

WEBINAR

Screening and Early Detection of HPV: Understanding Your Options

November 13
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Hosted by the American Cancer Society and the National Roundtable on Cervical Cancer

[Register](#)

WEBINAR

Tips on Accessing Care

November 19
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Hosted by Triage Cancer

[Register](#)

WEBINAR

Health Equity Across the Continuum Virtual Forum Series: Indigenous Communities

November 20
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Hosted by the American Cancer Society

[Register](#)

CLINIC

UW-La Crosse HPV Immunization Clinic

December 2
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
UW-La Crosse Miller Bluff
2110 Student Union

Hosted by UWL Wellness and Health Advocacy

[View the
Flyer](#)

Become Part of the Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative

Not a member? Joining the Wisconsin Cancer Collaborative is free. We connect you with tools, support, and expertise to help you make the greatest

impact.

[Become a Member](#)



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