



THE COALITION VOICE

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Texas Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition
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CONFERENCES

NOEP FALL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

These professional nursing education opportunities are offered through the Nurse Oncology Education Program. For more information or to register, visit www.noeptexas.org or call 800-515-6770. NOEP receives funding from the Texas Cancer Council.

- October 16 – Victoria. The Silent Cancers**
- October 23 – Austin. Cancer and Genetics**
- October 30 – Del Rio. Cancer Symptom Management**
- November 5 – Tyler. Pain and Palliative Care**

POEP SPEAKERS' BUREAU

For more information about these POEP events, contact Leslie Jones at 512/370-1761. POEP receives funding from the Texas Cancer Council.

Saturday, October 30 – Del Rio Conference Center. Cancer Symptom Management.
Topic: Pain Management
Speaker: Greg Guzley, MD, FACP

Thursday, November 11 – South Padre Island, Sheraton Hotel and Condominiums
Topic: Skin Cancer and Breast Cancer
Speakers: Catherine Ronaghan, MD FACS (skin cancer) & Micheline Hyacinthe, MD (breast cancer)

Tuesday, November 30, 2004 – Taylor, TX, John's Community Hospital
Topic: Treating Pain Management in the Elderly [ethics credit]
Speaker: Greg Guzley, MD, FACP

NEWS FROM COALITION PARTNERS

KOMEN AUSTIN RACE GENERATES RFP FOR FIVE COUNTIES

Five County RFP Opportunity:

The Austin Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation announces its Request for Proposals for breast health services grants in Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis and Williamson Counties. Visit, www.komenaustin.org to download the grant application forms and the Community Needs Assessment. Call 512.473.0900 for further information. **The application deadline is November 14.**

Upcoming Race:

The seventh annual Komen Austin Race for the Cure will be held on Sunday, November 7, 2004 at Auditorium Shores in Austin. Visit www.komenaustin.org to register and to learn how the funds raised are used to further the organization's mission to eradicate breast cancer in Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis and Williamson counties.

PRESIDENT'S CANCER PANEL TO MEET NOVEMBER 1 IN HOUSTON

The President's Cancer Panel will meet in Houston Monday, November 1 in the Frank E. Anderson Conference Hall and is hosted by M.D Anderson Cancer Center. Translational research is the topic of this year's Panel. Visit <http://deainfo.nci.nih.gov/ADVISORY/pcp/OverallTransAtAGlance.pdf> for more topical info. The agenda is posted at <http://deainfo.nci.nih.gov/ADVISORY/pcp/pcp1104/Agenda.pdf> For more information about logistics, contact Lynne Nguyen at 713/792-3363.

TWO FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – FEBRUARY DUE DATES

Cancer Education Grant Program

The National Cancer Institute announces the availability of funds for a Cancer Education Program. The Cancer Education Grant Program is a flexible, curriculum-driven program aimed at developing and sustaining innovative educational approaches, methods and tools that will impact cancer incidence, morbidity, mortality and improves the quality of life of cancer survivors. The ranges of possibilities for this award are unlimited, as long as they focus on new approaches to cancer education, can be disseminated effectively and potentially have wide applicability. For more information go to <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-03-093.html>. Application deadline is February 1, 2005.

Health Promotion Among Racial and Ethnic Minority Males

The National Cancer institute announces the availability of funds for health promotion, as outlined under Goal 2 in Healthy People 2010. The purpose of the request is to stimulate and expand research on the health of minority men. Specifically, this initiative is intended to: (1) enhance our understanding of the numerous factors (e.g., sociodemographic, community, societal, personal) influencing the health-promoting behaviors of racial and ethnic minority males and their subpopulations across the life cycle and (2) solicit applications focusing on the development and testing of culturally and linguistically appropriate health-promoting interventions designed to reduce health disparities among racially and ethnically diverse males and their subpopulations aged 21 years and older. For more information go to <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-03-170.html>. Application deadline is February 1, 2005.

NEW CANCER SPOKESPERSON NOTED BY ACS CANCER ACTION NETWORK

Joe Camel's replacement is the star of a flash movie from the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACSCAN). Viewers are reminded that some smoking products appealing to youth (flavored cigarettes such as Beach Breezer, Midnight Berry, Twista Lime and Kauai Kolada) are still being marketed free from FDA safety regulations. Congress will decide shortly whether the FDA will have authority over these and other tobacco products. Learn more and see the flash movie of Joe Camel's replacement www.acscan.org

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CORNER

Practical information for busy local cancer control program, planning and service providers .Got a great resource to share? Tell us about it.

PATHWAYS TO FREEDOM - Winning the Fight Against Tobacco

This Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guide was created with the help of Black churches, tenant groups, the Prince Hall Shriners, Daughters of Isis and other community members to address the problem of tobacco use in the African American community. The guide has three parts, 1) education about how tobacco use affects the Black Community, 2) tips to quit smoking and 3) suggestions for communities to fight against the tobacco industry. To order a copy, call the CDC Office on Smoking or Health at (800) 232-1311.

ONLINE MAMMOGRAM REMINDER FROM ACS

An interactive mammography reminder is just one contribution from American Cancer Society in recognition of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Visit www.acs-tx.org/Taf2004 to see this year's online Tell A Friend newsletter. When you're finished, forward the link to anyone on your mailing list who is interested in women's health.

This year's Web site features:

- All new stories about how the American Cancer Society fights breast cancer
- A new interactive poll about mammography

- The new Tell-A-Friend Online Email System

If you are a woman who is forty years of age or older and have not had a mammogram this year, please follow the American Cancer Society screening recommendations and make an appointment today.

<p style="text-align: center;">LOOKING AHEAD Cancer-Related Health Observances Calendar Source: http://www.healthfinder.gov</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOVEMBER will be..... Lung Cancer Awareness Month Great American Smokeout (November 18) Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month</p>
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Thank you for your interest in the Texas Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition. Please direct your ideas about the newsletter to Susan Nenny, Project Coordinator, snenney@tcc.state.tx.us or call 512-371-7585.