Guided by our legacy.
Prioritizing healthy living.
The Next Five-Year Plan
2022–2026

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DELAWARE CANCER CONSORTIUM
Age-Adjusted All-site cancer **Incidence** Rates by Sex; U.S. and Delaware, 2003-2007 to 2013-2017

- 5% decrease in Delaware
- 7% decrease in US

Age-Adjusted All-site cancer **Mortality** Rates by Sex; U.S. and Delaware, 2003-2007 to 2013-2017

- 7% decrease in Delaware
- 14% decrease in US

Breast, prostate, and colorectal cancer are diagnosed mostly at a local stage. Lung cancer is mostly diagnosed at a distant stage.

Lung Cancer Is Still the Leading Cause of Preventable Death

Although lung cancer incidence has trended downward since 2003-2007, males have consistently been more affected than females. From 2013 to 2017, the rates was 56.5 per 100,000 for males compared with a rate of 38.3 per 100,000 for females.
The Prostate Cancer Mortality Race Disparity Continues to Exist

From 2013–2017, Non-Latino African American men died from prostate cancer at twice the rate of Non-Latino Caucasian men (34.1 vs. 14.2 per 100,000 people). This disparity gap has existed over time.
Cultural Disparities and Health Inequities Affect Cancer Rates

- Education
- Appropriate language
- Better ways to access care
Focusing on Healthy Lifestyles Is a Key Driver

• Healthy eating
• Physical activity
• Smoke-free environment
• Routine health checkups
• Management of chronic diseases
THE PLAN: WHAT CAN BE DONE

• Goals are stratified by committee.
• Actions are set out clearly with responsible party and time frame.
GOAL 1
Maintain a permanent council that reports directly to the governor to oversee implementation of the recommendations and comprehensive cancer control; the council should have committees that continually evaluate and work to improve cancer care and cancer-related issues in Delaware.

GOAL 2
Develop and implement a five-year cancer control and prevention plan based on CDC guidelines and involve multiple stakeholders with assigned responsibilities.

GOAL 3
The Delaware Cancer Consortium will serve as a leader and resource for the public.
GOAL 4
Reimburse the cost of cancer treatment for every eligible Delawarean for up to two years after diagnosis.

GOAL 5
Support the health and well-being of cancer survivors.
GOAL 1
Incorporate health equity principles into preventive cancer screening initiatives.

GOAL 2
Promote breast, cervical, colorectal, lung, and prostate cancer screenings.

GOAL 3
Provide human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines to girls, young women, boys, and young men ages 9 to 26.
GOAL 4
Analyze data in state databases related to cancer screening.

GOAL 5
Inform and educate health care providers and the general public on available resources.

GOAL 6
Increase patient engagement and health literacy.
GOAL 1
Encourage healthy lifestyles and reduce risky behaviors.

GOAL 2
Initiate and support policies and programs to reduce tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke.

GOAL 3
Prevent initiation of tobacco, nicotine, and emerging-product use among youth and young adults.
GOAL 4
Increase the number of Delawareans who stop using tobacco and nicotine products.

GOAL 5
Implement a statewide initiative to address physical activity, nutrition, and obesity prevention.
GOAL 1
Improve timeliness/completeness of reporting of cancer data.

GOAL 2
Improve data quality to enable the routine evaluation of treatment practices and patterns against patient outcomes.

GOAL 3
Increase the use of data to answer research questions.

GOAL 4
Develop routes of efficient and effective communication between the Delaware Cancer Registry (DCR) and its stakeholders, to inform stakeholders of reporting requirements and benefits of the DCR.

GOAL 5
Maintain National Program of Cancer Registries (NPCR) funding through adherence to NPCR program standards for data use and data collection.
Together, we can continue to make a difference in helping Delawareans reduce their cancer risk.