

1 Meeting Logistics

Item	APR Lung Cancer Work Team Monthly Meeting
Date	04/16/2025
Time	2:00-3:00 PM
Location	Microsoft Teams Call
Purpose/Focus	Team will work to meet the following goals identified by PCC
Notetaker	Susan Porambo

2 Agenda

ID	Description	Owner	Time
1	Introductions and Roll Call ***	Denise Bleiler	2:00 PM
2	PCC Updates	Brenda A	
3	WorkPlan/Member/Other Updates	Work Group	
4	Adjourn		3:00 PM

Attendees: **New participants , please introduce yourself *****

3 Notes

• Workplan for 2024-2025 Updates:

Goal 1: Expand the promotion of lung cancer screening education, activities, resources, and tools to include Health Systems and their Primary Care Physicians, health clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), patient navigators, community health workers, and care coordinators from the insurance industry. We will use a health equity lens to identify and then focus efforts on those individuals/groups who are placed at a higher risk and who are experiencing disproportionate effects.

Goal 2: Promote activities, programs, and initiatives to decrease adult and youth tobacco and vaping usage. We will use a health equity lens to identify and then focus efforts on those individuals/groups who are placed at a higher risk and who are experiencing disproportionate effects.

Goal 3: Reducing radon exposure through PSE (Policy, Systems, and Environment) changes with a focus on individuals/communities who are placed at a higher risk and who are experiencing disproportionate effects.

- Testing for radon in areas with historically high radon levels and historically low testing rates, as well as environmental justice areas.
- Installing low-cost or pro-bono mitigation systems.
- Assisting communities to locate funding sources for mitigation systems

Goal 4: Educating and working with larger professional groups, such as Legislators, Physicians, School Administrators, and Builders, on the health risk associated with radon exposure and smoking.

- Increase capacity of providers to assess and discuss environmental risks such as radon exposure with patients through education.
- Disseminate data and radon education to identified policy influencers: PA Cancer Caucus, PA House of Representatives and the PA Senate
- Engage Women for a Healthy Environment to address schools and daycares across PA.
- Engage Tobacco Cessation Providers to incorporate radon information when speaking with clients.

2. PCC Updates:

a. Brenda Anastasio: PA DOH Division of Cancer Prevention and Control

- i. Day at the Capitol in May; contact Donna.Greco@cancer.org for more information
- ii. June Quarterly Meeting is scheduled for June 12th; will be a training on Advocacy; will be a 2 hour meeting

b. Jennifer King: PCC Manager

- i. If any coalition members has any questions please reach out to JennifeKin@pa.gov

3. Member/Other Updates:

Ask members to review Updated Workgroup Action Plan on the Coalition website here:

[Lung Health Workgroup — Lung Cancer in Pennsylvania, Reducing Tobacco Use, Abating Radon Exposure \(pacancercoalition.org\)](https://www.pacancercoalition.org)

a. Barbara Fickel: PA DOH Division of Tobacco Control

- a. May 14th and 15th is the Technical Assistance Virtual Conference for vendors
- b. Day at the Capitol on May 6th with PACT (Pennsylvania Alliance to Control Tobacco)
 - i. Registration is closed; Reach out to Katie.Keane@Lung.org for more information

b. Jackie Nixon: President of CR3

- a. Magazine will be out June 1st; can submit content to add to magazine
- b. Calendar will be out end of June
- c. Capitol Hill Day in Washington, DC will be the 22nd and will be in attendance
- d. Will also be at Day At The Capital on May 6th

c. Julia Barry: American Lung Association in PA

- a. Will be in attendance at Day At The Captiol

d. Kristi Steele: Lung Health Program Manager with BREATHE PA

- a. Please contact ksteele@breathepa.org if you would like to connect!

e. Patrick Loftus: Division Of Cancer; Chair for Men's Health Workgroup

- a. [Cancer Action Day Registration](#)
- b. Had a new member join the Men's Health Workgroup
 - i. Kevin Ferarra; fire fighter; discussed cancers that effect fire fighters

f. Mike Glantz: Health Promotions Manager American Lung Association in PA

- a. Day At The Capitol May 6th; 562 students coming
- b. Tony Delonti will be retiring at the end of FY25 (June 30th)

g. Susan Porambo: Health Promotions Specialist American Lung Association in PA

- a. LGBTQ+ Toolkit coming out in June

h. Nate Burden: Chapter President of the Indoor Environment Association

- a. Day At The Capitol on May 7th for Radon School Bill 1328 and also a House Bill introduced
 - i. Bipartisan bill; funded mandate of \$7-9 Million to do radon testing in public schools in PA; \$26 Million for the schools that need mitigation
- b. Indoor Environment Association in Washington, DC met with PA State Sention Fetterman's staff, Summer Lee's staff and a couple other state senators representatives to promote radon and radon school bill for the state of PA
- c. Did presentation to several cancer association outside of PA with [CLEHR Network](#); seven hundred people signed up for the webinar; explained the mechanics of how radon causes lung cancer and also combined messaging with radon and tobacco. Presentation will be shared in the minutes
 - i. Planning to do another with UPMC and Cancer Bridges on radon effecting children and cancer
- d. Freedom From Smoking Program mainly directed towards the radon industry and mitigators; 30% of mitigators smoke; offering free smoking cessation program

i. Tiara Parker: UPMC Hillman Community Outreach and Engagement; Patient Navigator

- a. Educates on cancers and free screenings programs with Adagio
- b. Community Needs Survey link: <https://hillmanresearch.upmc.edu/outreach/>
- j. Raquel Ruggins: Latino Connection Public Health Project Manager**
 - a. April 22nd Lunch and Learn for Advocates for Tobacco and Vape Free Communities (ATVFC) vape bins in communities to bring together environmental efforts
 - i. [ATVFC Lunch n' Learn RSVP](#)
 - b. May 17th: Better Breathing for All for World Asthma Day Health Fair
 - i. Vendor slots are available
 - ii. [Better Breathing For All – World Asthma Day Health Fair Tickets, Sat, May 17, 2025 at 10:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)
 - c. Please contact rhuggins@latinoconnection.org for any questions about the above two events
- k. Stacy Sowers: PA DEP Radon Division**
 - a. Oversee the Daycare Program; offer free radon test kits to daycares in PA
 - b. On March 19th, did a powerpoint presentation for the Healthcare Consultant Community Connections for Children through Judith Patterson
 - i. 19 people on the meeting
- l. Denise Bleiler: PA DEP Radon Division**
 - a. Will be stepping aside from being the PCC Lung Health Workgroup Co Chair and looking for someone to take her place; can contact dbleiler@pa.gov for what the position entails
 - b. Will not be as generous with radon test kits right now due to Federal Funding being limited

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 21st at 2:00pm

4. Other Resources:

- a. ALA Lung Health
 - <https://www.lung.org/clean-air/at-home/indoor-air-pollutants/radon/radon-basics>
 - i. <https://www.lung.org/lung-health-diseases/lung-disease-lookup/lung-cancer/saved-by-the-scan>
 - ii. <https://www.lung.org/lung-health-diseases/lung-procedures-and-tests/ct-scan>
 - iii. <https://www.lung.org/lung-health-diseases/lung-disease-lookup/lung-cancer/saved-by-the-scan/resources>
- b. ALA State of the Air Report - [State of the Air](#)
- c. <https://www.lung.org/research/state-of-lung-cancer> State of Lung Cancer 2024
- d. [State of Lung Cancer Report](#) 2023

5. CDC Resources:

- o Lung cancer site page: <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/lung/>
- o USCS DataViz: <https://gis.cdc.gov/Cancer/USCS/DataViz.html>
- o Stat Bite: <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/uscs/about/publications.htm>
- o Feature (with syndicated content):
<https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/dcpc/resources/features/lungcancer/>
- o Survivorship podcast: <https://tools.cdc.gov/medialibrary/index.aspx#/media/id/303911>
- o Infographics: https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/lung/basic_info/infographics.htm
- o Screening quiz: <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/lung/quiz/>
- o Medscape screening video: <https://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/870462>
- o Simulations (including tobacco cessation):
<https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/dcpc/resources/simulations.htm>
- o Blogs: <https://blogs.cdc.gov/cancer/category/lung-cancer/>
- o Citation Search Tool (can select lung cancer): https://nccd.cdc.gov/DCPC_SCS/index.aspx#!/
- o Annual Report to the Nation (trends): <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/annual-report/index.htm>
- o Tobacco Cessation Change Package: <https://millionhearts.hhs.gov/tools-protocols/action-guides/tobacco-change-package/index.html>

- CDC Radon Resource: [Additional Radon Resources | NCEH | CDC](#)
- CDC Radon Resource (Spanish option) : [Protect Yourself and Your Family from Radon | NCEH | CDC](#)

- **Additional Resources:**

- Healthy People 2030 Objectives. C-03 Lung cancer screening. 2020. Available at: <https://health.gov/healthypeople/objectives-and-data/browse-objectives/cancer/increase-proportion-adults-who-get-screened-lung-cancer-c-03>
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Decision Memo for Screening for Lung Cancer with Low Dose Computed Tomography (LDCT) (CAG-00439N). 2015. <https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-decision-memo.aspx?NCAId=274>
- U.S. Preventive Services Task Force. Lung Cancer: Screening. Draft Recommendation Statement. Update in progress. 2020. Available at: <https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/uspstf/draft-update-summary/lung-cancer-screening-2020>
- Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. 2017 Questionnaire. Available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/brfss/questionnaires/>
- American College of Radiology. Accredited Facility Search (Search Modality: Computed Tomography and Designation: Lung Cancer Screening Center).
 - Available at: <http://www.acraccreditation.org/accredited-facility-search>
- American College of Radiology. Lung Cancer Screening Registry (LCSR) State Level Comparisons. Available at:
 - <https://www.acr.org/Practice-Management-Quality-Informatics/Registries/Lung-Cancer-Screening-Registry>
 - (Note: To see Excel files with State Level Comparisons, click on the text “State Level Comparisons” located about half way down the Web page between the links for “Core Documents” and “Related Resources”)
- American Cancer Society. National Lung Cancer Roundtable Task Groups. Available at: <https://nlcrt.org/> (Note: Task Groups are located under the Menu for “About”)
- American Cancer Society. National Lung Cancer Roundtable Resource Center. State-based initiatives. Available at: <https://nlcrt.org/resource-center/#1583351864253-bf5f48e5-33e0>
- LuCa National Training Network. Available at: <https://www.lucatraining.org/>
- DEP Radon in the Home : [Radon in the Home \(pa.gov\)](#)