

## 1 Meeting Logistics

<b>Item</b>	<b>SEPT Lung Cancer Work Team Monthly Meeting</b>
<b>Date</b>	09/17/2025
<b>Time</b>	2:00-3:00 PM
<b>Location</b>	Microsoft Teams Call
<b>Purpose/Focus</b>	Team will work to meet the following goals identified by PCC
<b>Notetaker</b>	Susan Porambo

## 2 Agenda

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

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm!**

## 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.

- g. Engage Tobacco Cessation Providers to incorporate radon information when speaking with clients.

**2. PCC Updates:**

- a. Jennifer King –
  - i. In need of a co-chair for the lung health workgroup; Please email [jennifekin@pa.gov](mailto:jennifekin@pa.gov) or [Susan.porambo@Lung.org](mailto:Susan.porambo@Lung.org) if interested
  - ii. Pink and Pearl Campaign 2025
    - 1. Educational campaign to bring awareness to lung cancer screening and breast cancer screenings
    - 2. Currently looking for organizations to collab with for this campaign; email [jennifekin@pa.gov](mailto: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 \(pacancercoalition.org\)](#)

**a. Stacy Sowers - DEP**

- a. Had to limit a lot of outreach, not sure how many testing kits they will be able to hand out
- b. Daycare Program Update:
  - i. Trying to reach out to northern tier counties in the new year; sending letters to get daycares more involved in radon testing

**b. Lisa Pareso UPMC Washington and Greene; Rural Health Manager**

- a. Started a lung cancer screening project with a local rotary club
  - i. Partnering with Adagio to bring their cessation program to the group
- b. Overseeing Community Health Needs Assessment
  - i. One goal is lung cancer and colon cancer screening

**c. Jackie Nixon: President of CR3**

- a. Citizens for Radioactive Radon Reduction has a national implementation of a lending library that's available to anyone in any state
  - i. CR3 is involved with the Radon Health Equity Workgroup where they are setting up the learning library initiative within PA alone as a pilot
  - ii. If interested in RHEW Radon Library Lending Program, contact Jackie Nixon at [jackie@citizens4radonreduction.org](mailto:jackie@citizens4radonreduction.org)
- b. CR3 Collaboration with Children's Environmental Health Network
  - i. Implemented a Radon Toolkit Booklet in collaboration
  - ii. Children's Environmental Health Day on Oct 9<sup>th</sup>
  - iii. Can find the booklet and information on the day at: [Children's Environmental Health Day](#)
- c. Held a Mitigation Day on Sept 8<sup>th</sup>
  - i. Showed organizations how a mitigation system was put on a home to inform them how simple it was
  - ii. Successful day and was interviewed by the news
  - iii. The idea of the day was to raise awareness on the fact that underserved neighborhoods and populations cannot afford the price of the mitigation
  - iv. Working on a fund for the private industry to donate

**d. Ron Myers – Thomas Jefferson University; Director of Center for Health Decisions and part of the Comprehensive Cancer Center**

- a. Conducting NCI funded research study in four health systems: Penn State, Lehigh Valley, Jefferson, and Christiana Care
  - i. Involved 28 primary care practices and a randomized design that will allow them to test the impact of patient outreach in comparison to provider support, and the combination of these two things

- ii. Target of 672 patients; have about 450 patients so far in the fourth year; expect to reach goal by the beginning of next summer
- iii. Once the target is met, they will be able to start collecting data and start analysis on the impact of the different strategies on increasing lung cancer screening rates
- b. National Lung Cancer Round Table
  - i. Webinar took place where they shared a collection of intervention strategies and information to make a difference
- e. **Kristin Sides – Mount Nittany Medical Center; Oncology Navigator**
  - a. First meeting!
  - b. Have a lung screening program at the center
- f. **Susan Porambo – American Lung Association in PA; Health Promotions Specialist**
  - a. Working on a LGBTQ+ Cessation Toolkit
  - b. November 5<sup>th</sup> RPTFC Meeting
    - i. Presentation on Cannabis
  - c. Developing Veteran Messaging Creative Assets to support tobacco cessation for veterans in PA
  - d. Creating customizable yard signs for adult and youth cessation classes

#### 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/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](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/dcpc/resources/simulations.htm>
- o Blogs: <https://blogs.cdc.gov/cancer/category/lung-cancer/>
- o Citation Search Tool (can select lung cancer): [https://ncccd.cdc.gov/DCPC\\_SCS/index.aspx#!/](https://ncccd.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>
- o CDC Radon Resource: [Additional Radon Resources | NCEH | CDC](#)
- o CDC Radon Resource (Spanish option) : [Protect Yourself and Your Family from Radon | NCEH | CDC](#)

- **Additional Resources:**

- o 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://nl crt.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://nl crt.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 \(pa.gov\)](#)