

Welcome to the April 4th edition of the CATalog Newsletter.

Spotlight on: Webinar **TODAY**- Ask, Advise, Refer & Texas Tobacco Quitline

Join fellow CAT members Shelly Karn and Mark Boldt to learn more about Ask, Advise, Refer, the e-Tobacco Protocol, and the Texas Tobacco Quitline. This webinar is TODAY (4/4) from 1:00–2:00pm; click [here](#) to register.

Cancer News

Most Remaining U.S. Smokers Are Poor, Less Educated

HealthDay News - 03/30/2017

Researchers at the University of Colorado examined 2012 data and found that smoking is concentrated among the least advantaged Americans. Most have at least one of the following disadvantages: low income, no college education, no health insurance or a disability. Read more [here](#).

Detecting Cancer May be Getting Easier

WebMD - 03/28/2017

New kinds of tests that promise to be less invasive are beginning to exit the lab and enter the market. By using blood, urine, and saliva, researchers hope new tests may reduce the need for often painful, risky biopsies, a type of surgery to remove suspicious tissue for study. Read more [here](#).

Most Cancers Caused by Random DNA Copying Errors

HealthDay News - 03/23/2017

Investigators at Johns Hopkins University used complex mathematical modeling to track mutations driving abnormal cell growth for 32 types of cancer. They found that most tumors are caused by random genetic "mistakes." Read more [here](#).

Colorectal Cancer Incidence Rising in Young Adults

National Cancer Institute Blog - 03/23/2017

The incidence of colorectal cancer has been increasing in the United States among individuals younger than age 50, according to the American Cancer Society. Overall, incidence rates of colorectal cancer have been going down, but that is because the overall rate is heavily influenced by the older cohort. Read more [here](#).

First Global Guide: HPV Vax for Cervical Cancer Prevention

Medscape Medical News - 03/21/2017

A new global guideline aimed at clinicians worldwide offers evidence-based recommendations on the use of HPV vaccination for the prevention of cervical cancer. Issued by the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO), it takes into account the varying levels of economic and structural resources and offers four levels of recommendations, depending on the circumstances of each country. Read more [here](#).

Family History of Colon Cancer Calls for Earlier Screening

HealthDay News - 03/21/2017

If one has a family history of colon or rectal cancers, they probably need to start screening for these conditions before turning 50. Someone with a close relative who has had colon or rectal cancer has a greater risk of being diagnosed with these cancers too, as per new research from Penn State Health Hershey Medical Center. Read more [here](#).

1 in 4 Teens Exposed to Secondhand E-Cig Vapors

HealthDay News - 03/20/2017

One-quarter of U.S. middle and high school students say they've been exposed to potentially dangerous secondhand e-cigarette vapors, a federal government study shows. Read more [here](#).

Social Struggles Linger for Many Young Cancer Survivors

HealthDay News - 03/20/2017

Many teen and young adult cancer survivors face social struggles, a new study from Radboud University Medical Center in the Netherlands finds. One-third of participants had consistently low social functioning throughout the entire study period, dealing with concerns about finances, body image, work goals, relationships and plans for children. Read more [here](#).

Trainings, Events, and Educational Opportunities

Webinar: The Role of Social Determinants in Cancer Prevention and Control
Thursday 04/13/2017 – 1:00pm – 2:00pm.

The Michigan Cancer Consortium is offering this webinar in conjunction with National Minority Cancer Awareness Week (April 11-17). Click [here](#) to register.

Conference: UT System Eliminate Tobacco Use Summit
04/17/2017 – 04/18/2017 in Austin, TX

The goal of the UT System Eliminate Tobacco Use Summit is to create a menu of practical, evidence-based actions to advance tobacco control initiatives on each campus. Attendees will work together to identify current activities, share best practices and discuss actions to better serve employees, students, patients, and the communities. Click [here](#) to register.

Webinar: Using Community Health Workers and Volunteers to Reach Complex Needs Populations

Tuesday 04/18/2017 – 12:00pm-1:30pm

State health officials, providers, health plans and other interested stakeholders are encouraged to join this 90-minute webinar to learn about approaches to incorporating community health workers and volunteers into care teams. Click [here](#) to register.

Resources

National Minority Cancer Awareness Week: April 9-15

The American Cancer Society has a site dedicated to Minority Cancer Awareness Week including information for patients, caregivers, and professionals, as well fact sheets and research. Click [here](#) for more information.

Texas Cancer Registry's Newsletter

The Texas Cancer Reporting News provides information on cancer reporting, cancer statistics and data, as well as news, events, and activities regarding the registry and cancer community. Click [here](#) for the latest edition, past newsletters, and to sign up for e-mail updates.

2017 County Health Rankings and Roadmaps are now available

The annual *Rankings* provide a revealing snapshot of how health is influenced by where people live, learn, work and play. The *Roadmaps* to Health Action Center lays out a series of steps for creating healthy communities. Click [here](#) for more information.

CPC's Cancer and Surveillance Branch Releases United States Cancer Statistics: Data Visualization

The United States Cancer Statistics (USCS) Data Visualization tool displays a subset of cancer incidence and mortality data from United States Cancer Statistics (USCS) web-based report. It includes six webpages: Overview; U.S. Cancer Demographics; Cancer Trends; State Cancer Overview; State Data and Ranking; followed by technical notes and additional resources. Click [here](#) to explore the tool.

Funding Opportunities

Ovarian Cancer Foundation Accepting Applications for 2017 Medical Research Program

The Tell Every Amazing Lady® About Ovarian Cancer Louisa M. McGregor Ovarian Cancer Foundation 2017 Medical Research Program offers funding in support of ovarian cancer research studies. Up to \$60,000/year. Due 05/31/2017. Click [here](#) for more information.

Thanks for reading, and please email [Alyssa Rubin](#) if you have any news, trainings, or funding opportunities you would like included in the next CATalog.