

Welcome to the October 17<sup>th</sup> edition of the CATalog.

**\*REMINDER:** CAT Meeting: 9:00am, Thursday, Oct. 19, at DSHS in Austin!\*

---

### **Spotlight on: Obesity and Cancer**

**Obesity Linked to 13 Types of Cancer**  
*HealthDay News - 10/03/2017*

According to the new report from the CDC and the National Cancer Institute, there is a link between obesity and 13 types of cancer. These obesity-related cancers made up about 40 percent of all cancers diagnosed in the US in 2014. Losing weight might lower the risk. Read more [here](#).

---

### **Cancer News**

**How to Talk to Someone with Cancer**  
*HealthDay News - 10/12/2017*

After studying this issue for a decade, a professor from San Diego State University suggests keeping communication with people diagnosed with cancer open, constant and positive in order to foster healing. He developed a list of communication do's and don'ts. Read more [here](#).

**More Hardcore Smokers Trying to Kick the Habit**  
*HealthDay News - 10/11/2017*

Tobacco control policies help even heavy users with mental distress quit, researchers from University of California, San Francisco say. They suggest encouraging mental health providers to treat tobacco dependence along with other problems. Read more [here](#).

**Start Skin Cancer Prevention Early, Health Experts Say**  
*HealthDay News - 10/10/2017*

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends that doctors with fair-skinned patients aged six months to 24 years should talk with them, or their parents, about ways to protect skin from sun exposure and reduce the risk for skin cancer. Read more [here](#).

**Study Identifies Crucial Characteristic of High-Risk HPV**  
*NCI Cancer Currents - 10/05/2017*

By comparing the genomes of women infected with a high-risk type of HPV, National Cancer Institute researchers have found that a precise DNA sequence of a viral gene is associated with cervical cancer. Read more [here](#).

**Breast Cancer's Decline May Have Saved 322,000 Lives**  
*HealthDay News 10/03/2017 02:00 PM EDT*

Overall, advances in care have led to a 39% drop in breast cancer deaths between 1989 and 2015, according to new research from the American Cancer Society. But advances in care may not have helped black women as much as white women. Read more [here](#).

---

**Trainings, Events, and Educational Opportunities**

**Webinar: Making Cents of Cancer Coverage: How Providers Can Support Behavioral Health Patients in Financing Cancer Care**  
Tuesday, October 17, 2017 – 1:00-3:00pm CST

During the webinar, participants will identify what financial supports patients may need and be eligible for to support them throughout their cancer care journey, and identify national organizational support services to assist patients. Register [here](#).

**Webinar: What's your HPV IQ? - A Conversation about Immunization Quality Improvement Tools**  
Thursday, October 19, 2017 – 12:00-1:00pm CST

Join VICNetwork and Dr. Sharon Humiston in an engaging conversation with the creators of the newly launched HPV IQ website, which provides evidence-based tools for HPV vaccine quality improvement. Part of the Adolescent Immunization Webinar Series. Register [here](#).

---

**Resources**

**Flyer: Health Insurance Enrollment Information**  
Now available from Foundation Communities, with information on their Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance Program, including program locations and new dates for the 2018 Open Enrollment: November 1 – December 15, 2017. This program supports consumers with their marketplace health insurance, CHIP, MAP and Medicaid. Click [here](#) to view it in English and Spanish.

### Lung Cancer Awareness Month (November) Social Media Toolkit for 2017

This CDC-funded social media toolkit from the GW Cancer Center contains evidence-informed communication strategies, pre-written Tweets and Facebook posts, and social media and lung cancer-related tools and resources to use throughout November – Lung Cancer Awareness Month. Click [here](#) to download the toolkit.

### Fact Sheets: Four New Healthier Nation Fact Sheets Available

The CDC's Consortium on National Networks to Impact Populations Experiencing Tobacco-Related and Cancer Health Disparities has released *Healthier Nation* fact sheets. Click on the titles to view each fact sheet separately: [Cancer Prevention](#), [Tobacco Cessation](#), [Cancer Screening](#), and [Cancer Survivorship](#).

### Fact Sheet: HIV Infection and Cancer Risk

This fact sheet has been completely revised and includes cancers that pose an increased risk to people infected with HIV, risk estimates, and updated references. Click [here](#) to view it.

---

## Funding Opportunities

### Pancreatic Cancer Action Network Accepting Applications for Catalyst Grants

The 2018 Catalyst Grant program aims to encourage and support junior faculty (who have yet to secure their first significant research funding) in the pursuit of pancreatic cancer research and establish a career path in the field. Research projects may be basic, translational, clinical, or epidemiological. Up to \$500,000 over three years available. Applications are due 12/15/2017. Click [here](#) for more information.

### Innovative Molecular Analysis Technology Development for Cancer Research and Clinical Care

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grants for small business concerns (SBCs) proposing research for commercial development of novel cancer-relevant technologies. Projects should focus on the development of highly-innovative technologies that improve molecular and/or cellular analysis of cancer with a significant likelihood for either overcoming persistent challenges or obstacles or opening entirely new fields for cancer research or clinical care. Budgets should not exceed \$150,000 for Phase I awards and \$1,000,000 for Phase II. Due dates dependent on funding cycle. Click [here](#) for more information.

---

## Did You Know..?

### You May Invite Friends and Colleagues to CAT Meetings

Did you know that your friends and colleagues are welcome at our CAT Meetings? Feel free to invite anyone who may be interested in getting involved to our meeting on Thursday, Oct. 19. They can also fill out an application [here](#) to officially join.

### If you cannot make it to the CAT Meeting in Person – You Can Call In

If you are unable to travel to the meeting on Thursday (10/19), you can call in for all or some of the meeting. Conference line number and passcode are at the top of the agenda.

---

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.