

Maryland State Council on Cancer Control

January 18, 2019

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Via Video Conference

MINUTES

Members in Attendance

Donna Gugel
Mark Mank
Kevin Cullen
Roger Harrell
Stephanie Cooper-Greenberg
Catherine Fenwick
Liza Fues
Ben Kosewski
Joan Mischtschuk
Elizabeth Platz
Michele Walsh
Dominique Haynes
Kathleen Connors-Juras
Christine Miller
David Bennett
Arun Bhandari
Eden Stotsky-Himelfarb

Members Absent

William Nelson
Biana Arentz
Kathleen Hoke
Tiffany Mathis
Jay Perman
Paul Rothman
Senator Anthony Muse
Delegate Sheree Sample-Hughes

Staff and Guests in Attendance

Pamela Williams, Maryland Department of Health
Ken Lin Tai, Maryland Department of Health
Brian Mattingly, Maryland Department of Health
Sara Valek, Maryland Department of Health
Jody Sheely, Maryland Department of Health
Annie Carlin Olle, Maryland Department of Health

1. **Welcome** (Kevin Cullen)
2. **Review of Minutes from 9/21/2018 Meeting** (Kevin Cullen):
 - The Council reviewed the meeting minutes from September 21, 2018. There were no comments or edits, and the minutes were accepted as written.
3. **Cancer Registry Advisory Committee (CRAC)** (Elizabeth Platz)
 - The Maryland Cancer Registry (MCR) contracts its quality assurance and data management tasks to an external vendor. As of January 1, 2019, the new vendor for the contract is Myriddian, Inc.

- MCR is in the process of finalizing the transition of services from the old vendor to the new vendor, and has informed all reporting facilities of the change in vendors.
- MCR completed the Incidence and Mortality Report for 2015 data. It should be available for download from the MCR website in the coming weeks.
- The next CRAC meeting will take place on February 14, 2019.

4. **Maryland Cancer Collaborative (MCC) Update** (Joan Mischtschuk)

- In September 2018, MCC members were convened to select new priority strategies from the 2016-2020 Maryland Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan, to inform the creation of new workgroups for the year.
- The MCC selected five new priority strategies from the three priority areas of the Cancer Plan:
 - Primary Prevention
 - High Burden Cancers
 - Cancer Survivorship, Palliative Care, and Hospice Care
- New workgroups will begin meeting in February 2019 to develop activity plans for the year.

5. **Annual State Cancer Conference**

- **Evaluation results from 25th Annual State Cancer Conference** (Sara Valek)
 - The 25th Annual Maryland State Council on Cancer Control Cancer Conference took place at Anne Arundel Medical Center on November 14, 2018. There were 255 people in attendance
 - The 2018 conference received overwhelmingly positive feedback from participants on various criteria including: overall quality of the conference, presenters, and venue.
 - The suggestion was made to have a networking activity at the conference; ideas include a table activity (e.g., brainstorm on a particular topic and report out) and speed networking.
- **Topic suggestions for 2019 conference** (Kevin Cullen)
 - The Council discussed topics suggested by 2018 conference attendees, as well as current issues of interest in cancer control, for possible inclusion in the 2019 conference.
 - Topic suggestions include:
 - The impact of cancer and its treatment on mental health
 - Side effects of immunotherapy (with a suggestion to have an educational overview on immunotherapy)
 - Cancer in older adults: side effects, differences in treatment (e.g., cognitive functioning, hearing), and impact on caregivers
 - Older adults, palliative care, and advanced directives
 - Cancer in young adults and fertility preservations
 - Maryland Department of Health (MDH) staff will research past presentations/agendas to avoid topic duplication.

6. **2021 - 2025 Maryland Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan Timeline Update** (Brian Mattingly)

- The current Maryland Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan is currently being implemented until 2020. MDH will begin the process of developing the 2021-2025 plan in March 2019.
- MDH will be facilitating planning meetings, identifying stakeholders, and reaching out to Council members to take part in the development process. The planned release date is January 2021.

7. Legislative Session Update (Jody Sheely and Annie Carlin Olle, Office of Support Services, Prevention and Health Promotion Administration, MDH)

- Ms. Sheely and Ms. Olle provided an introduction to the Prevention and Health Promotion Administration’s Office of Support Services, and an overview of the 2019 Maryland legislative session. Council members requested a copy of the presentation to be shared to them; once cleared by OSS, copies will be sent to members after the meeting.
- The Council was made aware of the bill “HB 27 – Clean Indoor Air Act - Use of Electronic Cigarette Devices – Prohibition: For the purpose of altering the Clean Indoor Air Act to include a prohibition of the use of a certain electronic cigarette device under certain circumstances; defining a certain electronic cigarette device under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; altering certain definitions; making certain conforming changes; and generally related to prohibiting the use of electronic cigarette devices under the Clean Air Act.”
 - i. The Chair suggested the Council take a supportive position on HB 27 in writing. The Chair brought the Council to a vote to determine support for this bill, with the following members voting as follows:

	Members in Attendance	Vote
1.	Donna Gugel	Abstain
2.	Mark Mank	Abstain
3.	Kevin Cullen	Yes
4.	Roger Harrell	Yes
5.	Stephanie Cooper-Greenberg	Yes
6.	Catherine Fenwick	Yes
7.	Liza Fues	Yes
8.	Ben Kosewski	Yes
9.	Joan Mischtschuk	Yes
10.	Elizabeth Platz	Yes
11.	Michele Walsh	Yes
12.	Kathleen Connors-Juras	Abstain
13.	Christine Miller	Yes
14.	David Bennett	Yes
15.	Arun Bhandari	Yes
16.	Eden Stotsky-Himelfarb	Yes
17.	Dominique Haynes	Yes

8. Public Health Award (Kevin Cullen)

- The Council discussed developing an award in addition to the Martin D. Abeloff Award for Excellence in Public Health and Cancer Control. This new award will be focused on an individual or organization working in public health and cancer control in the state of Maryland.

- The Council agreed to inaugurate this award (to be presented in alternating years) at the 2019 Cancer Conference.

9. Future State Council Meetings (Brian Mattingly)

Meetings and Conference to be held at Anne Arundel Medical Center:

- May 17, 2019 - 9:30am to 11:30am
 - September 20, 2019 - 9:30am to 11:30am
 - November 14, 2019 - 26th Annual State Cancer Conference
- Topic suggestions include:
 - Presentation on the Maryland Cancer Registry
 - Structure and function
 - Accessing data
 - Suggestion to include environmental mapping at the May or September meeting
 - Adverse Childhood Events training, which was originally planned for the September 2018 meeting, will be rescheduled for the May 2019 meeting.