

NCI Community Cancer Centers Program

Key Points

- The National Cancer Institute (NCI) Community Cancer Centers Program (NCCCP) is a network of hospital cancer centers that serves as a community-based platform to support basic, clinical, and population-based research initiatives across the cancer care continuum—from prevention, screening, diagnosis, treatment, and survivorship through end-of-life care.
- The network provides new opportunities for exploring ways to reduce cancer health care disparities; improve quality of cancer care; expand cancer survivorship and palliative care programs; enhance cancer advocacy; support the investigation of new drugs through clinical trials; expand information technology at community hospital settings through the use of electronic health records (EHRs) and participation in NCI's cancer Biomedical Informatics Grid (caBIG®); and increase biospecimen collection to support research for personalized medicine.
- The NCCCP is collaborating with NCI programs and related organizations such as the NCI Cancer Centers Program, The Cancer Genome Atlas, the NCI Community Networks Program, the American Society of Clinical Oncology, and the American College of Surgeons' Commission on Cancer.
- The NCCCP started in 2007 as a pilot program with 16 community cancer centers and was expanded in 2010, using American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds, to a network of 30 hospitals in 22 states.

A strategic partnership between the NCI and participating hospitals, the NCCCP is a hospital-based cancer center network designed to support cancer research, and enhance access to and increase quality of care at community hospitals so more patients benefit from the latest research.

New knowledge and advanced technology now allow complex cancer treatment to be provided at community hospitals, where the vast majority of people with cancer in the United States are diagnosed and treated. In 2007, NCI launched the NCCCP as a pilot program to examine how to best provide patients access to the latest scientific advances at community hospitals.

The NCCCP hospitals provide care spanning the cancer continuum—from prevention, screening, diagnosis, treatment, and survivorship, through end-of-life care. They represent a cross section of community settings, from rural, suburban, to urban areas, and are committed to serving minority and underserved patients.

To enhance community-based cancer care, sites are studying ways to:

- Reduce cancer health care disparities
- Enhance community outreach for cancer screening and follow-up
- Improve quality of cancer care
- Expand survivorship and palliative care programs.

In addition, NCCCP centers are directly contributing to the cancer research enterprise by:

- Accruing patients to clinical trials
- Collecting high-quality biospecimens for research
- Expanding information technology through the use of electronic health records and participation in NCI's cancer Biomedical Informatics Grid (caBIG[®])
- Collaborating with other NCI programs and related organizations, including the NCI Cancer Centers Program, The Cancer Genome Atlas, the NCI Community Networks Program, the American Society of Clinical Oncology, and the American College of Surgeons' Commission on Cancer.

Building upon the accomplishments of the NCCCP pilot, NCI used funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to expand the number of participating hospitals in 2010, as well as the breadth of activities at the original NCCCP cancer centers, to further enhance this community-based research resource provided to the cancer research community.

Related links:

NCCCP Website: <http://ncccp.cancer.gov/>

Year 1 Summary: http://ncccp.cancer.gov/NCCCP_Pilot_Year_1_Accomplishments_8-7-08.pdf

Year 2 Summary: http://ncccp.cancer.gov/2009_Newsletter.pdf

NCCCP Sites

CALIFORNIA

**St. Joseph Hospital
St. Joseph Hospital Cancer Center**
1100 West Stewart Drive
Orange, CA 92868
714.633.9111
www.sjo.org

CONNECTICUT

**Hartford Hospital
Helen and Harry Gray Cancer Center**
80 Seymour Street
Hartford, CT 06102
860.545.5000
www.harthosp.org

COLORADO

**Penrose – St. Francis Health Services
(Member of Catholic Health Initiatives)
Penrose Cancer Center**
2222 N. Nevada Avenue
Colorado Springs, CO 80907
719.776.5000
www.penrocestfrancis.org

DELAWARE

**Christiana Hospital
Helen F. Graham Cancer Center**
4755 Ogletown-Stanton Road
Newark, DE 19718
302.733.1000
www.christianacare.org/body.cfm?id=530&fr=true

GEORGIA

**Northside Hospital
Northside Hospital Cancer Care Program**
1000 Johnson Ferry Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30342
404.851.8000
www.northside.com/locations/atlanta.aspx

**St. Joseph's / Candler Hospital
Nancy N. and J. C. Lewis Cancer
and Research Pavilion**
5353 Reynolds Street
Savannah, GA 31405
912.819.4100
www.stjosephs-candler.org

HAWAII

**The Queen's Medical Center
The Queen's Cancer Center**
1301 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, HI 96813
808.538.9011
www.queensmedicalcenter.net

IDAHO

**St. Luke's Regional Medical Center
Mountain State Tumor Institute**
190 E. Bannock Street
Boise, ID 83712
208.381.9000
www.stlukesonline.org/boise

INDIANA

**St. Vincent Indianapolis Hospital
(Member of Ascension Health)
St. Vincent Oncology Center**
2001 West 86th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46260
317.338.2345
www.stvincent.org/ourlocations/hospitals/indianapolis

IOWA

**Mercy Medical Center
Mercy Cancer Center**
1111 6th Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50314
515.247.3121
www.mercydesmoines.org

KENTUCKY

**Norton Suburban Hospital
Norton Cancer Institute**
4001 Dutchmans Lane
Louisville, KY 40207
502.893.1000
www.nortonhealthcare.com/body.cfm?id=631

LOUISIANA

**Our Lady of the Lake
Regional Medical Center
Our Lady of the Lake Cancer Center
and Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center**
5000 Hennessy Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70808
225.765.6565
www.ololrmmc.com

MAINE

**Maine Medical Center
Maine Medical Center Cancer Institute**
22 Bramhall Street
Portland, ME 04102
207.662.0111
www.mmc.org

MARYLAND

**St. Joseph Medical Center
(Member of Catholic Health Initiatives)
St. Joseph Cancer Institute**
7601 Osler Drive
Towson, MD 21204
410.337.1000
www.sjmcmd.org

MICHIGAN

**St. Joseph Mercy Hospital
St. Joseph Mercy Cancer Care Center**
5301 McAuley Drive
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
734.712.3456
www.sjmercyhealth.org/bodysub.cfm?id=1104

**Saint Mary's Health Care
The Lacks Cancer Center**
200 Jefferson Street, SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
616.685.5000
www.smmmc.org

MONTANA

**Billings Clinic
Billings Clinic Cancer Center**
2800 Tenth Avenue North
Billings, MT 59107
406.238.2500
www.billingsclinic.com

NEBRASKA

St. Francis Medical Center
(Member of Catholic Health Initiatives)
St. Francis Cancer Treatment Center
2620 West Faidley Avenue
Grand Island, NE 68803
800.353.4896
www.saintfrancisgi.org/index2.php

Good Samaritan Hospital
(Member of Catholic Health Initiatives)
Good Samaritan Cancer Center
10 E 31st Street
Kearney, NE 68847
308.865.7100
www.gshs.org

St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center
(Member of Catholic Health Initiatives)
St. Elizabeth Cancer Center
555 South 70th Street
Lincoln, NE 68510
402.219.8000
www.saintelizabethonline.com

OREGON

Providence Portland Medical Center
Providence Cancer Center
4805 NE Glisan Street
Portland, OR 97213
503.215.1111
www.providence.org/Oregon/facilities/hospitals/providence_portland

PENNSYLVANIA

Lehigh Valley Hospital
John and Dorothy Morgan Cancer Center
Cedar Crest & I-78
P.O. Box 689
Allentown, PA 18105-1556
888.584.2273
www.lvhn.org/lvh/locations/cedar_crest

Geisinger Medical Center
Geisinger Medical Center Cancer Institute
100 North Academy Avenue
Danville, PA 17822
570.271.6211
www.geisinger.org/locations/gmc

Albert Einstein Medical Center
Einstein Cancer Center and
Einstein Center One
5501 Old York Road
Philadelphia, PA 19141
215.456.7890
www.einstein.edu/facilities/aemc

SOUTH CAROLINA

Spartanburg Regional Hospital
Gibbs Regional Cancer Center
101 East Wood Street
Spartanburg, SC 29303
864.560.6000
www.spartanburgregional.com

SOUTH DAKOTA

Sanford USD Medical Center
Sanford Cancer Center
1305 West 18th Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57117
605.333.1000
www.sanfordhealth.org

TEXAS

University Medical Center Brackenridge
Seton Family of Hospitals
(Member of Ascension Health)
Shivers Center
601 East 15th Street
Austin, TX 78701
512.324.7000
www.seton.net

WISCONSIN

Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center
Gundersen Lutheran Center for Cancer & Blood Disorders
1900 South Avenue
La Crosse, WI 54601
800.362.9567
www.gundluth.org/LaCrosse

Columbia St. Mary's Hospital
(Member of Ascension Health)
Columbia St. Mary's Cancer Center
2323 N. Lake Drive
Milwaukee, WI 53211
414.291.1000
www.columbia-stmarys.org

Waukesha Memorial Hospital
ProHealth Care Regional Cancer Center
725 American Avenue
Waukesha, WI 53188
800.326.2011
www.prohealthcare.org/locations/our-locations-details.aspx?id=1119

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