

**Draft Minutes**  
**DHEC Cancer Control Advisory Committee**  
**Conference Call – May 12, 2011**

**Members Present:** Debbie Seale (Chair), Karen Brooks, Jim Burch, Michael Byrd, Natalie Copeland, Margaree Crosby, Lynn Erdman, Melanie Bz Giese, Lynn Ivey, Drew Monitto, Linda Morphis, Susan Outen, Jan Viars, and John Ureda

**Excused Absences:** Anthony Alberg, Susan Bolick, Judy Bibbo, and James Maynard

**DHEC Staff Present:** Lou-Ann Carter, Virginie (Ginie) Daguise, Susan Jackson, Dianna Lydiard, and Sonya Younger

**Welcome and Introductions**

Debbie Seale, Chair, welcomed the participants and introduced Sonya Younger as the new CCAC staff.

**Minutes**

The February 2011 Meeting Minutes were reviewed and approved as amended. Lynn Ivey's name was added as having attended the last meeting.

**Surveillance Subcommittee**

Dr. Alberg was held up in another meeting. His report was deferred until the September meeting.

**Central Cancer Registry**

Debbie Seale provided the Central Cancer Registry report provided by Susan Bolick.

The CDC National Program of Cancer Registries (NPCR) completed the Data Quality Audit for the SCCCR on April 1. As reported last time, 10 hospitals were randomly selected (based on case volume) to be visited by an auditor who re-abstracted data items from source medical records to be compared to the SCCCR database patient information. The SCCCR just completed the data reconciliation phase of the audit and now awaits the final report due in July. The auditor commended the SCCCR, all the SC hospital registrars and health information managers she encountered for their kindness and cooperation during the audit. Final audit results will be presented at the next CCAC meeting.

In order to supplement the tight state and federal budget, the SCCCR takes advantage of supplemental funding opportunities afforded by CDC. The SCCCR applied for and was just awarded one such supplemental data collection project. It is entitled *Treatment, Subspecialist Care and Outcomes of Ovarian Cancer, A CDC Investigation*. It involves collection of additional data items on 200 ovarian cancer cases diagnosed in previous years that are already

included in the SCCCR database. The aim is to allow the examination of variations in ovarian cancer treatment that appear to influence survival time. Treatment by optimal surgical cytoreduction and treatment directed by gynecologic oncologists have been found to result in improved outcomes and increased survival time. Only two states were funded - SC and New York. The budget is slight at just over \$30,000, but the timeframe is short, with a 5-month period to completion.

The SCCCR office is relocating. The move is part of efforts to reduce the number of commercial leases that DHEC maintains. The SCCCR will move from 810 Dutch Square Blvd to 100 Business Park Blvd off Farrow Road in northeast Columbia (near Providence Northeast Hospital). The SCCCR will join another DHEC office there, Environmental Quality Control Administration. The date for the move is June 8-9. New address and phone numbers will be distributed to CCAC members.

### **Cancer Division Update**

Lou-Ann Carter announced that Owens Goff is serving as the Chronic Disease Interim Director and introduced Dr. Dianna Lydiard as the new Best Chance Network Program Director. Lou-Ann also announced that the Senate has passed proviso funds of \$2 million for the BCN (\$1M) and SCOPE SC (\$1M) programs. DHEC should know if the House approved the amount by the end of May.

### ***Medicaid Treatment Act***

Susan Jackson reported on the Medicaid Treatment Act statistics for the current year. As of April 30, 2011, there were 344 active patients enrolled through Option 1 and 764 active cases enrolled in Option 3. Both Options 1 and 3 will remain for FY11 with a funding of \$21M.

### ***SCOPE SC***

Sonya Younger noted the SCOPE SC program figures emailed as part of the conference call meeting reminder were incorrect. As of April 2011, 458 patients (68%) have received colorectal cancer screenings for Year 2. From conversations with providers, it appears the remaining 218 authorization codes are lost-to-follow-up patients who have been unable to participate in the program for one of several reasons. SCOPE SC is reminding providers that their contracts end June 30, 2011 and to submit all necessary documentation and claims for reimbursement as soon as possible.

### ***Best Chance Network***

Dr. Dianna Lydiard reported on the Best Chance Network program. Dr. Lydiard reported 91% of the prior authorization codes have been issued. For FY11 to date (June 30 - May 5), 7381 Clinical Breast Exams, 7408 initial Mammograms, and 3586 Pap smears have been performed.

### ***Comprehensive Cancer Control***

Dr. Ginie Daguise reported on Comprehensive Cancer Control updates. Dr. Daguise reported the CDC is headed toward more comprehensive CCC priorities in which CDC, DHEC, and other funded states are positioning themselves toward integrated chronic disease deliverables.

## **SCCA and Cancer Plan Updates**

Dr. John Ureda provided an SCCA and Cancer Plan Update

The SCCA Coordinating Council continues to meet monthly under the direction of Council Chair, Peggy Anthony. The Coordinating Council completed its 2011-12 grant reviews and will be sending out award announcements to the grantees by May 27th. The major portion of grant funding has been allocated. The council decided to meet with all applicants to review their applications and the Council's thoughts on grants. In some cases, this meant reserving a portion of the funds until applicants revise their applications. The council also planned to continue its technical support call and make it a requirement for all future applicants to ensure applicants know ahead of time what can be funded; the council president plans to work with members and the SCCA Executive Director to develop strategic oversight and evaluation of projects. The 2010-11-grant cycle is coming to an end and SCCA is contacting all grantors for updates as well as possible stories to demonstrate the impacts of the programs.

The SCCA Board of Directors will be bringing on the new Executive Director within the next few weeks. Interviews were completed May 9th. The SCCA has also hired an accounting firm to manage its accounts and brought on a part time Program Officer to assist some of the committees and workgroups with their projects. The Cancer Plan Committee continues its work under the direction of Kathleen Cartmell. A final draft version of the plan is expected to be ready on May 19th. A writer/editor is being hired to insure the plan is very readable and consistent across the various sections. The final plan is scheduled for completion and ready for printing on June 29<sup>th</sup>.

Current timeline for completion of the SC Comprehensive Cancer Plan:

May 12<sup>th</sup>: Applications for the Cancer Plan write/editor were review

May 19th: The Cancer Plan draft will go the SCCA Plan Team for review

May 20th: Cancer Plan writer comes on board and begins attending Cancer Plan Workgroup meetings

May 23rd: Cancer Plan Workgroup will complete workgroup draft edits

May 25th: Cancer Plan Workgroup will finalize Cancer Plan document for review by Coordinating Council

May 25th-June 24th: Cancer Plan writer will work with Kathleen to complete the Cancer Plan

June 24th: Final Cancer Plan document will be completed and posted on the web

The main pieces of the plan as yet incomplete are 1) breast and cervical cancer section - meeting with this section team scheduled for 5/13/11; 2) head and neck cancer section - meeting with this team scheduled for May 25th; 3) physical activity and nutrition - feedback needed from DHEC to finalize section; 4) more work is needed on some of the intros, etc, but we have a working draft.

## **Other Business**

Dr. Michael Byrd suggested reports on the topic of common underlying risk factors and integrated data for heart disease and stroke, tobacco, cancer, diabetes, etc. at the September meeting. Dr. Byrd proposed reports from Dr. Alberg, Dr. Daguise and Susan Bolick. Lynn Erdman with the American Cancer Society offered to provide national data.

Dr. John Ureda announced that the CPCP is organizing conferences on prostate cancer screenings in September as part of Prostate Cancer Awareness. One conference will be held on Sept 15<sup>th</sup> in Columbia and the other conference will be held Sept 16<sup>th</sup> at MUSC in Charleston. The event should host at least a half dozen speakers. Dr. Ureda agreed to provide more information as the plans are finalized.

### **Membership**

Drs. Michael Byrd and John Ureda volunteered to be a part of the Nominating Committee to fulfill the duty of nominating candidates for the office(s) to be filled at the September meeting. A Chair for the Nominating Committee is still needed. The election is to be conducted by a mail vote. The plan is for ballots with information on the nominated candidates will be mailed to all CCAC members at least 30 days prior to the September meeting. Members may vote for a candidate on the ballot or write in a candidate of their choice, including his or her self (one write in candidate per office only). Elections are planned for the September meeting.

### **2012 Meeting Schedule**

The following meeting dates were proposed for 2012. Members were asked to let either Debbie Seale or Sonya Younger know of any conflicts with the dates proposed:

February 9, 2011 – conference call

May 17, 2011 – conference call

September 13, 2011 – in person

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m. The next meeting will be held at the American Cancer Society office, 128 Stonemark Lane in Columbia on Sept 8th at 2 p.m.