

## 1 Meeting Logistics

<b>Item</b>	<b>OCT Lung Cancer Work Team Monthly Meeting</b>
<b>Date</b>	10/23/2024
<b>Time</b>	2:00-3:00 PM
<b>Location</b>	Microsoft Teams Call
<b>Purpose/Focus</b>	Team will work to meet the following goals identified by PCC
<b>Notetaker</b>	Stacy Sowers

## 2 Agenda

ID	Description	Owner	Time
1	Introductions and Roll Call ***	Denise Bleiler	2:00 PM
2	PCC Updates	Brenda A/Jenn K	
3	WorkPlan/Member/Other Updates	Work Group	
4	Adjourn		3:00 PM

Attendees: **New participants, please introduce yourself \*\*\***

**November and December 2024 meetings have been cancelled – Enjoy your holidays!!**

**ALSO NOTE: Next year's meetings are being moved back to THIRD Wednesday of month. Look for invite. **January 15, 2025** will be first meeting next year.**

## 3 Notes

- **Workplan for 2023-2024 Updates:**

**Goal 1:** Expand the promotion of lung cancer screening education, activities, resources, and tools to include Health Systems and their Primary Care Physicians, health clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), patient navigators, community health workers, and care coordinators from the insurance industry. We will use a health equity lens to identify and then focus efforts on those individuals/groups who are placed at a higher risk and who are experiencing disproportionate effects.

**Goal 2:** Promote activities, programs, and initiatives to decrease adult and youth tobacco and vaping usage. We will use a health equity lens to identify and then focus efforts on those individuals/groups who are placed at a higher risk and who are experiencing disproportionate effects.

**Goal 3:** Reducing radon exposure through PSE (Policy, Systems, and Environment) changes with a focus on individuals/communities who are placed at a higher risk and who are experiencing disproportionate effects.

- Testing for radon in areas with historically high radon levels and historically low testing rates, as well as environmental justice areas.
- Installing low-cost or pro-bono mitigation systems.
- Assisting communities to locate funding sources for mitigation systems

**Goal 4:** Educating and working with larger professional groups, such as Legislators, Physicians, School Administrators, and Builders, on the health risk associated with radon exposure and smoking.

- Increase capacity of providers to assess and discuss environmental risks such as radon exposure with patients through education.
- Disseminate data and radon education to identified policy influencers: PA Cancer Caucus, PA House of Representatives and the PA Senate
- Engage Women for a Healthy Environment to address schools and daycares across PA.

- g. Engage Tobacco Cessation Providers to incorporate radon information when speaking with clients
4. **PCC Updates:**
- a. **Brenda Anastatio- not present**
  - b. **Jennifer King-** waiting for Pink and Pearl Campaign tool kit to be approved. Will disseminate as soon as approved.
5. **Member/Other Updates:**
- Ask members to review Updated Workgroup Action Plan on the Coalition website here:  
[Lung Health Workgroup — Lung Cancer in Pennsylvania, Reducing Tobacco Use, Abating Radon Exposure \(pacancercoalition.org\)](https://www.pacancercoalition.org)
- a. **Julia Barry - American Lung Association in PA**  
ALA Health Promotions Coordinator-There is an upcoming Regional PA tobacco free Coalition Meeting in December- reach out to Julia if interested [Julia.Barry@lung.org](mailto:Julia.Barry@lung.org)
  - b. **Kristy Steel – Breathe Pennsylvania; Lung Health Program Manager**  
Working on spring events- will have details in January 2025.
  - c. **Meredith Bigger – American Lung Association in PA**  
Have been sharing info at schools for youth programs and community events including radon with tobacco and other lung health resources. New resources posted:  
The American Lung Association has just published a new radon backgrounder [Backgrounder- Expanding Radon in the Environmental Public Health Tracking Network FINAL.pdf](#) This resource for radon professionals and advocates gives an overview of the development of the Tracking Program and radon's place in it, how radon data is submitted and presented on CDC's website, how it can be used to support radon risk reduction efforts, and the importance of expanded data reporting. This can also be downloaded from the “For Radon Advocates and Decisionmakers” section of Lung.org/radon. Contact Kevin Stewart or Katherine Pruitt for questions.
  - d. **Patrick Loftus- Dept of Health** and co-chair for the Men’s Health Workgroup- Prostate cancer webinar in September. 148 registered. 50 people with attendance. Others will receive the PowerPoint and recording.
  - e. **Michael Glantz - American Lung Association in PA**
    - a. Looking for new partners to connect with tobacco cessation. Both Adult and youth programs available.
  - f. **Nate Burden**, President of IEA of PA- IEA (Indoor Environments Association), formerly AARST
    - a. IEA along with ALA has a smoking cessation program for anyone that is a smoker and a radon professional.
    - b. Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> introduced a new radon bill called Senate Bill #1328- basically making mandatory radon testing every 5 years in the State of PA with requirement to mitigate for those with higher levels. RRNC required for new buildings. [Robinson Acts Against Radon - Senator Robinson](#)
    - c. Nate will be training folks with tribal nations in Fairbanks, Alaska to mitigate in the near future.
  - g. **Raquel Huggins-Latino Connection-**
    - a. Tobacco and Vape prevention Control Team. Youth prevention work. Held 40 sessions with Steelton Highspire Highschool.
    - b. Projects going on that use focus group testing to help target Latino youth and associations with vaping.
    - c. <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdW4qk0hAVkhBm4HIM9vOKi27W75jSKerUXum4fMO4USwsEiQ/viewform>
  - h. **Jamie Ruminski, DEP –**
    - a. Poster contest was put out on the website and we still have a few weeks until we need posters submitted and votes.

- i. **Stacy Sower – PA DEP Radon Division**
  - a. Update to Newborn booklet that is supplied to hospitals for new parents about radon testing. The new QR code makes it easier to request their free radon test kit.
  - b. Letters were sent out to daycares again in the fall. Hoping to receive more requests to get a free radon test kits to test daycares.
- j. **Sean McCormick - Latino Connection**
  - a. Working on new report/template with the change of the number of retail outlets in Delaware County for vape and tobacco outlets over past 5, 10, 15 years to present. Mapping is to be done. Will overlay data such as Store location data as well as illegal sale to underage individuals, enforcement, etc. Hoping to educate policymakers, parents, youth, and officials. This should serve as a template to use in other counties. Looking for input on variables for project.
- k. **Denise Bleiler- PA DEP Radon-**
  - a. Had funding to use by the end of the year. Purchased kits to provide bulk amounts of radon test kits for programs or outreach events. Contact me at [dbleiler@pa.gov](mailto:dbleiler@pa.gov) to request.
  - b. Public service announcement for January coming up. New Spanish versions available for fact sheets as well.

## 6. Other Resources:

- a. ALA Lung Health
  - <https://www.lung.org/clean-air/at-home/indoor-air-pollutants/radon/radon-basics>
  - i. <https://www.lung.org/lung-health-diseases/lung-disease-lookup/lung-cancer/saved-by-the-scan>
  - ii. <https://www.lung.org/lung-health-diseases/lung-procedures-and-tests/ct-scan>
  - iii. <https://www.lung.org/lung-health-diseases/lung-disease-lookup/lung-cancer/saved-by-the-scan/resources>
- b. ALA State of the Air Report - [State of the Air](#)
- c. [State of Lung Cancer Report](#) 2023
- d. [State of Lung Cancer 2021](#)

## 7. CDC Resources:

- Lung cancer site page: <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/lung/>
- USCS DataViz: <https://gis.cdc.gov/Cancer/USCS/DataViz.html>
- Stat Bite: <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/uscs/about/publications.htm>
- Feature (with syndicated content): <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/dcpc/resources/features/lungcancer/>
- Survivorship podcast: <https://tools.cdc.gov/medialibrary/index.aspx#/media/id/303911>
- Infographics: [https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/lung/basic\\_info/infographics.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/lung/basic_info/infographics.htm)
- Screening quiz: <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/lung/quiz/>
- Medscape screening video: <https://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/870462>
- Simulations (including tobacco cessation): <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/dcpc/resources/simulations.htm>
- Blogs: <https://blogs.cdc.gov/cancer/category/lung-cancer/>
- Citation Search Tool (can select lung cancer): [https://nccd.cdc.gov/DCPC\\_SCS/index.aspx#!/](https://nccd.cdc.gov/DCPC_SCS/index.aspx#!/)
- Annual Report to the Nation (trends): <https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/annual-report/index.htm>
- Tobacco Cessation Change Package: <https://millionhearts.hhs.gov/tools-protocols/action-guides/tobacco-change-package/index.html>
- CDC Radon Resource: [Additional Radon Resources | NCEH | CDC](#)
- CDC Radon Resource (Spanish option) : [Protect Yourself and Your Family from Radon | NCEH | CDC](#)

## • Additional Resources:

- Healthy People 2030 Objectives. C-03 Lung cancer screening. 2020. Available at: <https://health.gov/healthypeople/objectives-and-data/browse-objectives/cancer/increase-proportion-adults-who-get-screened-lung-cancer-c-03>
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Decision Memo for Screening for Lung Cancer with Low Dose Computed Tomography (LDCT) (CAG-00439N). 2015. <https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/details/nca-decision-memo.aspx?NCAId=274>
- U.S. Preventive Services Task Force. Lung Cancer: Screening. Draft Recommendation Statement. Update in progress. 2020. Available at: <https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/uspstf/draft-update-summary/lung-cancer-screening-2020>
- Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. 2017 Questionnaire. Available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/brfss/questionnaires/>
- American College of Radiology. Accredited Facility Search (Search Modality: Computed Tomography and Designation: Lung Cancer Screening Center).
  - Available at: <http://www.acraccreditation.org/accredited-facility-search>
- American College of Radiology. Lung Cancer Screening Registry (LCSR) State Level Comparisons. Available at:
  - <https://www.acr.org/Practice-Management-Quality-Informatics/Registries/Lung-Cancer-Screening-Registry>
  - (Note: To see Excel files with State Level Comparisons, click on the text “State Level Comparisons” located about halfway down the Web page between the links for “Core Documents” and “Related Resources”)
- American Cancer Society. National Lung Cancer Roundtable Task Groups. Available at: <https://nlcrt.org/> (Note: Task Groups are located under the Menu for “About”)
- American Cancer Society. National Lung Cancer Roundtable Resource Center. State-based initiatives. Available at: <https://nlcrt.org/resource-center/#1583351864253-bf5f48e5-33e0>
- LuCa National Training Network. Available at: <https://www.lucatraining.org/>
- DEP Radon in the Home : [Radon in the Home \(pa.gov\)](#)