WELCOME TO THE

4th Annual **END** LUNG CANCER NOW GATHERING Friday, November 8, 2024

Advocates amplify research. Research cures cancer.

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Housekeeping Items

- Complimentary Wi-Fi
 Network ID: NCAA Guest
 Password: Association1906
- ✓ The Playbook
- ✓ Special Teams
- ✓ Exhibit Passport











Lung Car Lung Cancer Awareness





Teamwork makes the dreamwork.

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1st Quarter The Line of Scrimmage



End Lung Cancer Now: A Year in Review

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Why End Lung Cancer Now?

Lung cancer is the #1 cause of cancer-related death in men and women.

By far!





Number of Cancer Deaths, Indiana, 2018-2022



Source - U.S. Cancer Statistics Working Group. U.S. Cancer Statistics Data Visualizations Tool, based on 2021 submission data (1999-2019): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Cancer Institute; https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/dataviz, released in November 2022.

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Yet, it wasn't that long ago that lung cancer was a rare diagnosis and cause of suffering.

We know the formula to make lung cancer rare again!





Our Vision

End the suffering and death from lung cancer in Indiana.



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Eliminate tobacco use in Indiana.

Our Mission

Screen all eligible Hoosiers with low-dose CT scans. Increase participation in lung cancer research.

Support lung cancer survivors and their caregivers.



















Since we last met...



Organizational Accomplishments



- Secured nearly \$2.5 million philanthropic dollars to support the initiative's work.
- Secured nearly **\$250,000 sponsorship dollars** to support our events and marketing campaigns.
- Transitioned from a part-time team of 3 to a **full-time team of 4**.
- Established and strengthened key partnerships with local and national organizations.
- Ongoing community engagement to educate and share resources on the importance of prevention, screening, research, and advocacy.





Screening Efforts

Game plan developed at the 2nd Annual Gathering





ELCN Lung Cancer Screening Taskforce

- 25 members with a shared passion to improve screening rates
- Focus areas:
 - Systems-based changes
 - Resources and implementation
 - Public health and advocacy
 - Primary care engagement
 - Mobile CT unit/program
- Developed a blueprint to transform, scale, and centralize IU Health screening programs to save lives

Scan here to download a copy of the Blueprint!





Key Recommendations



- 1. Centralized structure with unified oversight
- 2. Adequate resource allocation
- 3. Electronic medical record improvements
- 4. Improve shared decision making and tobacco treatment services
- 5. Improve lung nodule management and multidisciplinary discussion
- 6. Establish lung cancer screening as a quality metric
- 7. Establish a mixed payer model
- 8. Comprehensive education for healthcare professionals and patients
- 9. Comprehensive community outreach and advocacy
- 10. Public health awareness campaigns
- 11. Implement a mobile lung cancer screening program





Transformational progress so far...

- ✓ Launched a multidisciplinary Lung Screening Review Board
- ✓ Enhanced personnel resources within the IUH system
- ✓ Three *NEW* screening locations are open with two more scheduled
- ✓ More than doubled the number of patients screened compared to 2023





Transformational progress so far...

- Reduction in wait times from 9-12 months to 1-2 weeks
- ✓ Increase in **referrals from mammography** clinic
- Working towards lung cancer screening becoming a quality metric
- ✓ Ongoing efforts to update EMR system to identify/notify eligible patients
- ✓ And…



Launching Indiana's first-ever mobile lung screening program



- \$4.5M gift from Tom and Julie Wood Family Foundation + \$4M endowed match from IU Health Foundation
- A multidisciplinary taskforce is developing "The Roadmap for Mobile Screening"
- Mobile unit will be in-hand by end of 2024
- First patient will be screened in early 2025!

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Advocacy Efforts

Game plan developed at the 3rd Annual Gathering



ELCN Advocate Toolkit



Purpose: To serve as an idea generator and conversation starter when someone asks, "What can I do?"

It's a journey of self-reflection to determine...

- Area(s) of Interest (Prevention, Screening, Research, Advocacy)
- Advocacy Method (Sharing your story, volunteering, social media, legislative work, etc.)
- Level of Engagement (Interested, Informed, Involved, Invested)







Inaugural ELCN Advocate Rally







Survivor Support



- Hosted inaugural World Lung Cancer Day celebration
- Distributed ELCN Survivor Care Kits to nearly 400 patients
- Partnered with the thoracic oncology nurse navigator to distribute educational lung cancer materials to newly diagnosed patients







Anyone with lungs can get lung cancer. Screening and health education saves lives.





Lung Cancer Awareness Campaign



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So, now what?





Advances in lung cancer treatment come only from clinical trials, but less than 5% of eligible patients currently participate.







Today we'll learn how we, as lung cancer advocates, can amplify the message that research cures cancer.





"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

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