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The Cancer Information Service of the Rocky Mountain Region is a program of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) serving the states of Arizona, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming in cooperation with Penrose-St. Francis Health Services.

Selected NCI Press Releases / NewsCenter Items

Available at <http://www.cancer.gov/newscenter/>.

- New Molecular Imaging Compound Pinpoints Cancer Spread in Mice (3/15/07)
- National Cancer Institute Hosts Meeting on Preoperative Therapy in Invasive Breast Cancer (3/1/07)

NCI Fact Sheet Collection

New, revised and reviewed titles. Available at <http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/factsheet/>.

- Financial Assistance and Other Resources for People With Cancer (FS 8.3, 2/22/07)
- Follow-up Care After Cancer Treatment: Questions and Answers (FS 7.48, 3/8/07)

Cancer.gov Items of Interest

NCI has recently redesigned the clinical trials information available on their web portal, <http://www.cancer.gov/clinicaltrials>. Link to a short article in the NCI Cancer Bulletin about the changes at http://www.cancer.gov/ncicancerbulletin/NCI_Cancer_Bulletin_030607/page8.

The same Bulletin page has an article about a new publication called *Designing Print Materials: A Communications Guide for Breast Cancer Screening*. This guide was developed to improve the quality of information provided by breast cancer screening programs to consumers. To download the publication visit <http://www.appliedresearch.cancer.gov/ibsn/publications/guide.html>.

The final item on the page profiles a new Web site for the upcoming Women's Health Week in May.

Other Publications of Interest

- NCI recently updated *Down Home Healthy Cooking: Recipes and Tips for Healthy Cooking* which provides recipes that are low-fat, high in fiber versions of traditional African American recipes. To order this publication, please visit <https://cissecure.nci.nih.gov/ncipubs/>.

Other Items of Interest

- FDA Approves Tykerb for Advanced Breast Cancer Patients (3/13/07)
<http://www.fda.gov/bbs/topics/NEWS/2007/NEW01586.html>
- Task Force Recommends Against Use of Aspirin and Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs to Prevent Colorectal Cancer (3/5/07)
<http://www.ahrq.gov/news/press/pr2007/aspsnaidpr.htm>
- United States Cancer Statistics (2/16/07)
<http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/npcr/uscs/>

Ask the CIS Column

Short, easy-to-read columns based on the latest cancer information from NCI, in question-and-answer format for newsletters and other publications. Please contact your Partnership Program Coordinator to access full columns. (Contact information is on page 4.) This month's columns/topics include questions to ask about prostate biopsy results, side effects of radiation therapy, symptoms of bladder cancer, and tips for dealing with chemotherapy.

National Health Observances

The National Health Observances calendar comes from the National Health Information Center Web site: <http://www.healthfinder.gov/library/nho/nho.asp?year=2007>

April observances of interest:

National Public Health Week (April 2-8)
Cover the Uninsured Week (April 23-29)

Looking ahead to May:

Melanoma Monday (May 7)
Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month
National Women's Health Week (May 13-19)
World "No Tobacco Day" (May 31)

Online Service – LiveHelp

Confidential, online text chat with a National Cancer Institute Information Specialist. Available Mon. – Fri., 9 a.m. – 11 p.m. EST.
For cancer information and to order NCI publications call 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237) or visit <http://www.cancer.gov>

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National Events of Interest❖ **National Cancer Institute's Office of Liaison Activities Teleconferences****Sponsor:** NCI Office of Liaison Activities**Dates/Times:**

- Tuesday, April 24, 2007; 1-2 PM (ET)
"Resources for Understanding Cancer Risk"
Ms. Felicia Solomon, Public Health Advisor, Office of Education and Special Initiatives, NCI, and Dr. Mitchell Gail, Chief, Senior Investigator, Biostatistics Branch, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, NCI
USA toll-free: 1-800-857-6584 Passcode: RISK
Toll-free playback: 1-866-434-5268 through 5/24/2007
- Thursday, May 17; 2 PM – 3 PM (ET)
"NCI's Intramural Clinical Trials Program: A National Resource for Patients"
Dr. Lee J. Helman, Scientific Director for Clinical Research, Center for Cancer Research, NCI
USA toll-free: 1-800-857-6584 Passcode: CCR
Toll-free playback: 1-866-442-1776 through 6/17/2007
- Tuesday, June 5; 1-2 PM (ET)
"NCI Cancer Centers Program"
Dr. Linda Weiss, Chief, Cancer Centers Branch, NCI
USA toll-free: 1-800-857-6584 Passcode: CENTER
Toll-free playback: 1-800-839-2204 through 7/5/2007

Registration: Free. No registration is required.**Summary:** Members of cancer advocacy organizations, survivors, family, and friends are encouraged to participate in the teleconference series to learn more about NCI's important cancer research programs and how advocates are involved. Callers will have the opportunity to ask questions.❖ **The 5th Annual Survivorship Series: Living With, Through & Beyond Cancer – Telephone Education Workshops****Sponsors:** CancerCare, National Cancer Institute: Office of Cancer Survivorship, Office of Education and Special Initiatives and Cancer Information Service, Lance Armstrong Foundation, Intercultural Cancer Council, Living Beyond Breast Cancer and National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship**Dates/Times:**

- April 17, 2007: 10:30 AM – 11:30 (PST)
"Neuropathy and Joint Aches: New Post-Treatment Challenges"
- May 15, 2007: 10:30 AM – 11:30 (PST)
"My Treatment is Over: Why Do I Feel So Alone and Sad?"
- June 19, 2007: 10:30 AM – 11:30 (PST)
"Finding Hope and Meaning After Treatment"

Registration: These telephone workshops are free. Pre-registration required at <http://www.cancer.org/TEW>.*(This listing continues at top of next column.)**(continuation of listing from previous column)***Summary:** This free telephone education workshop series offers cancer survivors, families, friends and health care professionals practical information to cope with concerns and issues that arise after treatment ends.❖ **4th Annual National Summit on Health Disparities: Improving Quality of Care****Sponsor:** National Minority Health Month Foundation**Dates:** April 23-25, 2007**Location:** Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Washington, DC**Summary:** Clinicians, members of Congress, patient advocacy groups, government healthcare experts, and community activists will meet to bring focus and to seek solutions to healthcare disparities. For details on the conference, preliminary agenda, and online registration, see <http://www.nmhmf.org/summitdate.aspx>.❖ **15th Annual Cross Cultural Medicine Workshop****Sponsor:** Association of American Indian Physicians**Date:** April 26-29, 2007**Location:** Marriott Pyramid North, 5151 San Francisco Rd., Albuquerque, NM**Registration and Contact:** \$350. A limited number of scholarships will be available for medical students. Special conference rate at the hotel. To register or for more information, contact Misty Davis, mdavis@aaip.org or 405-946-7072. Information also available online at <http://www.aaip.org/>.**Summary:** The Association of American Indian Physicians will conduct a workshop on cross cultural medicine designed to provide physicians, medical students, faculty, minority program staff, counselors, and other health care professionals with a greater understanding of Western and Traditional Medicine. Approximately ten Traditional and Western Medicine speakers will be on the agenda. The workshop coincides with the Gathering of Nations, also hosted in Albuquerque.❖ **2nd Biennial Health Information National Trends Survey (HINTS) Data Users Conference-Building the Evidence Base for Cancer Communication****Sponsor:** NCI**Dates:** May 4-5, 2007**Location:** Pasadena Hilton Hotel, Pasadena, CA**Registration and Contact:** Details on the conference, online registration, the agenda, and hotel information, is available at <https://www.hintsmeeting.com/>. E-mail contact is DCCPS-Eval@Westat.com.**Summary:** Health communication scientists, survey methodologists, health planners, and policy makers will meet to present research and discuss the emerging evidence base for cancer communication.*(This listing continues at top of next page.)*

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❖ **30th Annual National Rural Health Association Conference and Minority and Multicultural Conference** 

Sponsor: National Rural Health Association

Dates: May 14-18, 2007

Location: William Egan Civic and Convention Center, 555 W 5th Avenue, Anchorage, AK

Registration and Contact: Registration fees vary. See the link provided in the summary note (below) for full details. Contact: Bob Marsh at marsh@nrharural.org or 816-756-3140.

Summary: This year's conference will provide more than 48 concurrent sessions, multiple coffee chats and plenaries, and the opportunity to network with professional colleagues. Agenda, online registration, hotel and travel information, and other details available at <http://www.nrharural.org/conferences/sub/AnnConf.html>.

❖ **2007 National Health Education Conference & SOPHE's 2007 Midyear Scientific Conference – The Changing Face of Health Education and Health Promotion** 

Sponsors: Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE), Directors of Health Promotion and Education, and the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Dates: June 7-9, 2007

Location: Renaissance Hotel, Seattle, WA

Registration: Early bird registration fee is \$285, deadline is April 25. See conference information at <http://www.team-psa.com/hehpconference/home.asp>. Details included on that site are the agenda, logistics, exhibitors, and online registration. The sponsoring organization's main page is <http://www.sophe.org/>.

❖ **Save the Date: Pacific Global Health Conference**

Sponsor: Hawaii Public Health Association (HPHA)

Dates: June 19-21, 2007

Location: East West Center, Honolulu, HI

Summary: Preliminary information at <http://www.hawaiipublichealth.org/>.

❖ **17th Annual Social Marketing in Public Health Conference – Translation, Dissemination, Change**

Sponsor: University of Southern Florida, Health Sciences Center, Office of Continuing Professional Education

Dates: June 20-23, 2007

Location: Sheraton Sand Key Resort, Clearwater Beach, FL

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Registration and Contact: Full conference fee is \$495; other options available, including student rate. For full details on the conference, including the agenda, registration choices, and other information, see <http://www.cme.hsc.usf.edu/smph/>. Contact information is at <http://www.cme.hsc.usf.edu/info.html> or call (800) 852-5362, (813) 974-4296, or e-mail cpelist@hsc.usf.edu.

Summary: The conference is designed to meet the needs of people at the introductory, intermediate and advanced levels in social marketing. Participants usually include CDC designees, program planners and administrators, health educators, health communication and health information specialists, researchers, academicians, and graduate students. The program topics and speakers will cover key elements of the social marketing approach and illustrate how social marketing can be applied to a wide variety of public health topics. Workshops will provide additional in-depth training at both introductory and intermediate levels.

❖ **National Institutes of Health Summer Institute: The Design and Development of Community-Based Participatory Research in Health** 

Sponsor: NIH Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR)

Dates: July 9-13, 2007

Location: University of Chicago - Gleacher Center, Chicago, IL

Applications deadline: May 7, 2007. See link below for full information.

Registration and Contact: Information on the conference, eligibility, application form, contacts, logistics and other pertinent details can be found at <http://obssr.od.nih.gov/summerinstitute2007/index.html>.

Summary: The NIH Summer Institute will address essential conceptual, methodological, and practical issues inherent in planning and conducting community-based participatory research (CBPR) aimed at improving health and reducing disparities. The Institute is intended for investigators who have completed their doctorate and who plan to develop NIH R03 or R21 grant applications for research in this area. Faculty will include established investigators from social work and other fields.

National Funding Opportunities – New listings**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Invites Applications for Local Initiative Funding Partners****Application Deadline:** July 10, 2007

Summary: The Local Initiative Funding Partners Program (LIFP) is a partnership program between the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and local grantmakers to fund promising original projects designed to significantly improve the health of vulnerable people in their communities. Projects must be new, innovative, collaborative, and community-based. Significant program expansions -- such as a major expansion into new regions or to new populations -- may also be considered. LIFP matching grants may not be used to administer existing programs. Projects must be nominated by a local grantmaker interested in participating as one of the funding partners. Local funding partners must be willing to work with each grantee to obtain sufficient dollar-for-dollar matching funds throughout the grant period. These funders may include independent and private foundations, family and community foundations, and corporate and other philanthropies. Matching funds must represent new funding specifically designated to support the proposed project. In-kind services may not be used to match foundation funds. Up to \$5.8 million in total funding is available for the 2008 grant cycle, and up to fourteen matching grants of \$200,000 to \$500,000 per project will be awarded. Complete details at <http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19831>.

Open Meadows Foundation Invites Applications from Projects Benefiting Women and Girls**Application Deadline:** August 15, 2007

Summary: The foundation offers grants of up to \$2,000 each for projects that are designed and implemented by women and girls; reflect the diversity of the community served by the project in both its leadership and organization; promote building community power; promote racial, social, economic, and environmental justice; have limited financial access or have encountered obstacles in their search for funding. In addition to its general grant fund, Open Meadows has six special funds that are targeted to specific groups and/or for specific activities. Organizations and individuals interested in applying must have 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status or a fiscal sponsor with tax-exempt status. Small and start-up organizations are strongly encouraged to apply. Organizations with a total organizational budget of more than \$150,000 will not be considered. Preference is given to first-time applicants. Complete details at <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10006617/openmeadows>.

Grant Applications Available for Women Helping Others Foundation**Application Deadline:** September 11, 2007

Summary: The WHO Foundation: Women Helping Others supports grassroots charities in the United States and Puerto Rico serving the overlooked needs of women and children. Specific projects and programs addressing health, education, and social service needs are the foundation's priority. The foundation recognizes the value of new programs created to respond to changing needs and will consider funding projects of an original or pioneering nature within an existing organization. In order to qualify for funding, an organization must have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status and be qualified to receive deductible charitable contributions. Organizations must have been incorporated for a minimum of three years prior to application. Preference will be given to organizations with an operating budget of \$3 million or less, those not dependent on government grants, and those with greater program than personnel costs. Complete details at http://www.whofoundation.org/WHO_Funding.htm.

Previously listed funding opportunities

Funding opportunities are listed one time only, due to space constraints. We can provide listings published in previous newsletters upon request.

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