All topical workgroups made progress in forming their groups and planning or carrying out strategies.

- Some workgroups were able to make progress on implementing strategies.
- Many workgroups described steps they took to **plan, inform, or bolster the strategies** that they will implement in the future.
Topical workgroups also expressed common challenges relating to capacity limitations or challenges within their strategies.

- **Capacity limitations**
  - Limited or no funding.
  - Workgroup members.
  - Established and potential partners.

- **Challenges within their strategies**
  - Limited access to data.
  - Lack of coordination across health systems.
  - Challenges identifying strategies that are both feasible and effective.
Primary Prevention

Goal: Prevent cancer from occurring
Progress

➢ Made strides in making updated, evidence-based resources available to the public.

• Held 116 education events on cancer genetics topics.
• Uploaded updated guidelines on referral to cancer genetics evaluation to the ODH website.
• Identified most of the speakers who will contribute to updating the “Cancer Genetics in Your Practice” modules in OhioTrain.
• Kept the contact information of all Ohio Cancer Genetics Risk Assessment locations updated on the ODH Genetics Services Program website.

➢ Made progress on building partnerships between cancer genetic counselors and hospital registries to identify patients appropriate for genetic counseling.

• Data on the Cancer Registry Project for 2013-2018 has been submitted for publication.

➢ Created three new sub-groups to move strategies forward.
Exposure to Environmental Carcinogens

**Progress**

- Secured free radon test kits for Ohio residents.
- Put together a media campaign for National Radon Action Month.
**Progress**

- Workgroup membership increased and was very active, meeting eight times in less than a year.

- Made progress on efforts to better meet the needs of populations disproportionately affected by hepatitis C.
  - Secured data to identify communities disproportionately affected by hepatitis C.
  - Developed grant proposal to provide hepatitis C screening and treatment to these groups.
Progress

➢ Through ODH’s Creating Healthy Communities Program, the workgroup implemented numerous PSE strategies across Ohio to improve access to active living and healthy eating.

• Changes to the built environment included new and repaired playgrounds and parks, improving bike and pedestrian infrastructure, providing active commute supports at worksites, etc.

• Implemented 13 Food Service Guidelines strategies.

➢ Gathered information to support their strategy to promote awareness of the connection between obesity and cancer risk.

• Learned that medical weight management programming in the State of Ohio does not inform patients on the relationship between obesity and risk of cancer.

• Brought in new members to work on this strategy.
**Progress**

- Made progress on improving the reporting of melanoma cases.
  - Developed a partnership between OCISS and the Skin Cancer Center in Cincinnati to use student volunteers to improve case reporting, resulting in 200 additional case reports.
  - Made plans to engage the Ohio Dermatological Association around reporting needs and requirements.
Vaccines for Cancer Prevention/HPV-Associated Cancers

Progress

➢ Active and engaged group.
  • 20 members from a variety of sectors.
  • Meets every six weeks; meeting are well-attended.

➢ Made progress on educating health care providers on current HPV vaccination recommendations.
  • The Ohio Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics educated providers on teen immunizations.

➢ Worked on a campaign to promote public awareness of the need for HPV vaccination.
  • Collaborated with Ohio State University and Case Comprehensive Cancer Center on the Get Back to Basics, Ohio! initiative to promote social media efforts and a public awareness campaign.
  • Identifying subject matter experts and community members to be featured.
Early Detection

Goal: Detect cancer at its earliest stage
Progress

➢ Made plans to build partnerships to support its strategy to ensure funding in the state budget for the Breast and Cervical Cancer Project.
  • Made plans to meet and coordinate with the Ohio Cancer Caucus.
  • Contacted Senator Stephanie Kunze, who planned to join a workgroup meeting.

➢ Made plans to meet with several partners to gather information and strengthen collaboration to improve mammography screening rates.
  • Made plans to meet with partners to discuss their connections with Managed Care Plans and how they can strengthen their partnerships.
Progress

➢ Made progress on their plans to conduct mass media campaigns to educate people on cervical cancer screening.

- Worked closely with the *Get Back to Basics, Ohio!* initiative.
- Made plans to feature subject matter experts and community members in the campaign.
- Identified resources and materials to put on OPCC website for health care providers.
- Pulled together tools and resources for community members and agencies to post on OPCC Facebook.
- Made plans to promote *Get Back to Basics, Ohio!* resources with health care organizations across Ohio.
Progress

➢ Made strides in building important new partnerships.
  • Identified high-potential partners who provide education around colorectal cancer screening, including the Healthy Ohio Business Council and the Ohio Association of Health Plans.
  • Began connecting with partners focused on BIPOC Ohioans, including the African American Male Wellness Council and the Hispanic Coalition of Ohio.
Progress

➢ Celebrated the decision of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to cover lung cancer screening for expanded groups.
  • Considered ways to promote the announcement of this change.

➢ Made plans to support educational programs to promote lung cancer screening, including beginning to build new partnerships.
  • Made plans to connect with health care and physician networks, organizations with connections to minority populations, and regional hospital systems.
Progress

- Formed its core and extended workgroups, including representation from health systems across the state.
- Engaged in activities to educate key stakeholders and organizations across Ohio on prostate cancer disparities.
  - Collaborated with Case Comprehensive Cancer Center and Ohio State University on a virtual panel, made up of prostate cancer providers, on shared decision-making in prostate cancer screening, diagnosis, and treatment.
Quality of Life for Persons Affected by Cancer

Goal: Optimize the well-being of every person impacted by cancer
Progress

- Made progress toward seeking funding to support use of the Geriatric Assessment metric within Ohio.
  - Sought funding from American Society of Clinical Oncology and Conquer Cancer Foundation.
  - Obtained a letter of support from ODH and OPCC to support this statewide initiative.
Progress

➢ Made some progress on developing the assessment of cancer patients to identify barriers to clinical trial participation by identifying potential partners.
  • Plans to partner with students working with Dr. Hicks from Dayton Children’s.

➢ Continuing to discuss ideas and potential partners for the development of listening sessions for cancer patients.
  • Suggestions made by members have included partnering with “Tiger Lily” and focusing on a breast cancer listening summit with Black women as the priority population.
Financial Burden and Barriers

**Progress**

- Brought in a couple of new members.
- Addressed their limited capacity by revisiting their objectives and reassessing their resources to better align with available resources.
  - Established a new baseline and smaller initial goal of “understanding what cancer treatment organizations have or don’t have in place in terms of financial assistance/financial transparency.”
  - Obtained a list of cancer centers and is starting to collect baseline information on the centers’ financial assistance.
Progress

➢ Developed one of the three “Workforce Needs Assessments” that is intended to gain a better understanding of the current state of the HPC workforce.

- Developed a survey for current and past HPC Fellowship programs.
- Benefited from using Basecamp as a place to house their working documents.
- Maintained regularly scheduled monthly meetings.
Progress

➢ Made substantial progress toward increasing awareness for pediatric cancer.

- Held Ohio’s First Annual Pediatric Cancer Summit, with 761 spots reserved, 2,862 views, and videos recognizing the work from Governor DeWine and Senator Brown.
- Built partnerships with all 6 children’s hospitals in Ohio.
- Childhood Cancer webpage was finalized and launched on ODH’s website.
- Childhood Cancer Awareness Month declared in September.
- Given presentation to multiple groups, including the Employment First Taskforce, on pediatric cancer and transition work.
- Met weekly for the 6 months, and now every other week.