

Early Detection Subcommittee

July 27, 2007

12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Members Present: Chair: Michael O’Malley, Lorna Clack, Ray DiNapoli, Rick Greene, Karen Steers, Laura Parkinson, Brenda Putnam, Jo Ann Smith, Alexis Moore, Anna Schenck, Amy Cipau, Eleanor Green, Shereta Jenkins, Perry Shen, Carroll Franklin, Sharon Elliott-Bynum

Lead Staff: Dianah Bradshaw

Comprehensive Cancer Staff: Kenisha Bethea

Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome/ Introductions	Michael O’Malley	Members introduced themselves.
Minutes Approval	Motion of minutes to be passed	Minutes unanimously passed.
Presentation- Cancer Screening in NC: Update, BRFSS 2006	<p>Michael O’Malley presented information on Cancer Screening in NC (BRFSS 2006)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NC BRFSS data on early detection of Breast, Cervical, Prostate and Colorectal Cancers. • Key points <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Poverty in NC - Screening - NC’s Ranking vs. US (screening) -NC’s ranking among all states, DC (cervical, colorectal, breast) <p>(Although NC is ahead of the many states in colorectal cancer screening rates, this does not indicate that NC is doing a good job because no state is doing a good job.)</p> <p>After the report the committee members asked questions/comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where do we rank in mortality vs. US? • Does the data indicate any decreases in mortality from colon cancer, lung cancer screening- What are the latest developments? <p>Barriers to care are present for those without insurance who are identified by screening as having cancer.</p>	Group discussion took place based on the information that Dr. O’Malley reported.
Goals/Objectives/Strategies	<p>Regarding the Plan’s Goals and Objectives, the Subcommittee Recommended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That a previous cancer diagnosis should prompt screening for others cancers, not just for the cancer that a person was diagnosed for. 	Subcommittee members will provide suggestions and/or comments. The new Cancer Plan will be unveiled at the

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Although there is not yet an effective mass screening test for ovarian cancer, recent studies suggest that persistence of early signs/symptoms for an extended period of time should be a trigger for women to talk with their OB-GYN about getting screened. <p>The Goals/Objectives are in their final revisions. Subcommittee members were asked to review and submit suggestions via email.</p>	next A4C meeting.
Other Partner/ Attendee Early Detection Activity Report	<p>-Alexis Moore addressed the Subcommittee about the pilot program in High Point that will focus on promoting colorectal screening among older African Americans. (This initiative was also mentioned in the morning session)</p> <p>-Sharon Elliott-Bynum (Community Health Coalition) shared with the committee that there will be a summit in October addressing Healthcare Access.</p>	
Meeting Adjourned at 2:00pm.	Next Meeting will be Friday, October 26, 2007 at the Solution Center.	