Differences in Health Outcomes within States by Place and Racial/Ethnic Groups

2018 Michigan State Report, County Health Rankings

Ranking the health of nearly every county in the nation, County Health Rankings & Roadmaps (CHR&R) illustrates what we know when it comes to what is keeping people healthy or making them sick and shows what we can do to create healthier places to live, learn, work and play. CHR&R brings actionable data, evidence, guidance and stories to communities to make it easier for people to be healthy in their neighborhoods, schools and workplaces.

We have benefited from progress in automobile safety, better workplace standards, good schools and medical clinics, and reductions in smoking and infectious diseases. But when you look closer, there are significant differences in health outcomes according to where we live, how much money we make or how we are treated. The data show that not everyone has benefited in the same way from these health improvements. There are fewer opportunities and resources for better health among groups that have been historically marginalized including people of color, people living in poverty, people with physical or mental disabilities, LGBTQ persons, and women.

To view the full report and learn ways in which communities can create opportunity and health for all, follow this link: 2018 Michigan State Health Rankings Report

Quick News & Links:

- April 8-14: National Minority Cancer Awareness Week
- Register – Cancer Disparities: Twenty Years of Research Findings and Implications Webinar on April 26, 2018 at 11am
- The 2016-2017 Gallup-Sharecare Well-Being Index Rankings are now available!

Provider Information/Clinical Services Available

GW Cancer Survivorship E-Learning Series for Primary Care Providers: The online learning series contains modules on the importance of prevention in cancer survivorship and a team approach in survivorship care coordination. Free continuing education credits are available for primary care professionals and any interested providers who would like to learn more about cancer survivorship care.
Michigan Journal of Public Health - Opportunity

Michigan Journal of Public Health – Opportunities for MCC stakeholders to Submit Articles for Peer Review

The Michigan Public Health Association (MPHA) has extended a generous opportunity to the MCC. MPHA leadership, knowing that 2018 is the 20th anniversary of the MCC, presented the idea of having the MPHA’s journal (Michigan Journal of Public Health) in 2018 be a special Michigan Cancer Consortium 20th anniversary edition. The Michigan Journal of Public Health is a peer reviewed journal that features open access through ScholarWorks – meaning people around the world, who have an internet connection, will have ready access.

The intent of the MCC 20th anniversary issue is to feature articles submitted by MCC members/stakeholders/staff. The theme of the MCC over time has been collaboration and this publication offers a unique opportunity to showcase the many MCC collaborations.

Article Submission

- May 1, 2018 – deadline for article submission
- Go to the Michigan Journal of Public Health webpage on the MPHA website for more information on the submission of articles.
- Questions can be directed to Steve Springer, springers@michigan.gov.

Reviewers Needed – Can You Help?

As part of the MCC 20th Anniversary issue of the MJPH, a call is going out for volunteer reviewers to assist in the peer review of submitted journal articles. Volunteer reviewers should have experience in reviewing journal articles. If interested in assisting, please email Steve Springer at springers@michigan.gov.

American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network Update

Andrew Schepers, March 2018

ACS CAN is working to improve pharmaceutical access for cancer patients and this includes oral parity. Oral parity could lower out-of-pocket costs for cancer patients whose doctors prescribe oral chemotherapy instead of intravenous chemo therapy.

ACS CAN’s Annual Day at the Capitol and Annual Leadership Breakfast are on April 25th. To register for these events visit: ACS CAN Michigan.

If you have any questions on the work ACS CAN is doing, please contact Andrew Schepers at Andrew.schepers@cancer.org.
MDHHS Cancer Genomics Toolkit

The MDHHS Cancer Genomics Program works to reduce the impact of hereditary cancer on the people of Michigan and their families. The Cancer Genomics Program offers many no-cost resources for clinical and professional development in their Hereditary Cancer Toolkit. To explore the toolkit visit: Hereditary Cancer Toolkit.

Cancer Survivorship Patient Resources

The Michigan Cancer Consortium’s Survivorship Workgroup has developed patient resource documents to accompany the survivorship care plan that each survivor receives following treatment for cancer. These five documents provide helpful information and resources on healthy behaviors that can improve quality of life during survivorship. The five documents are available below:

- Living Healthy as a Cancer Survivor: Physical Activity
- Living Healthy as a Cancer Survivor: Tobacco
- Living Health as a Cancer Survivor: Lifestyle Choices
- Living Healthy as a Cancer Survivor: Fatigue
- Living Healthy as a Cancer Survivor: Nutrition

These documents are also available on the MCC Website under the Cancer Survivor Resource Page.

Michigan Tobacco Quitline

Quitting smoking matters for people diagnosed with cancer. As reported by the National Cancer Institute, continued smoking after a cancer diagnosis may decrease treatment effectiveness, increase the risk of cancer recurrence or a second cancer, and worsen treatment side effects. The Michigan Cancer Consortium (MCC) is working together with its partners to support tobacco cessation efforts and increase access to the Michigan Tobacco Quitline. Now people with cancer have free access to Quitline services (including telephone counseling and four weeks of nicotine replacement therapy) regardless of their insurance status. Through this Tobacco Cessation Collaborative the MCC and MOQC are working directly with oncology practices and cancer centers to help them change practice workflow to identify tobacco users, advise them to quit, and refer them to the Quitline for free tobacco cessation support or to other appropriate treatments.

For more information visit the Michigan Tobacco Quitline website.
National Healthcare Decision Day – April 16, 2018

This event is an initiative of The Conversation Project to inspire discussions around the importance of advance care planning (ACP). To learn more about advance care planning and its benefits for the patients you work with, please see this helpful video produced from the 2017 ACP Michigan Conference: What is Advance Care Planning.

2018 MCC Meetings

**Board Meetings (12 pm- 3 pm):**
- Wednesday, June 27
- Wednesday, September 26

**Annual Meeting (Lansing):**
- Wednesday, November 7

For more information: 877-588-6224

MCC Website

Be sure to visit the MCC website to find provider and patient resources

Health Equity Corner

This month, the MCC Health Equity Committee released a new Health Equity Page along with a unique Health Equity Speakers Bureau. It is hoped that the Speakers Bureau will continue to grow and be a valuable resource for MCC members and beyond. If you or someone you know would like to be included on this bureau please complete the Speakers Bureau Consent Form.

MCC Healthy Equity Committee Webinar

The MCC Health Equity committee is pleased to announce an upcoming webinar, *Cancer Disparities: Twenty Years of Research Findings and Implications* on Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 11am-12pm.

Teri Albrecht, PhD, Professor and Associate Center Director for Population Studies at Karmanos Cancer Institute will present.

Registration Link. Important note: Please complete the full registration prior to selecting "add to calendar."

Should you have any questions, please contact Beth Trierweiler at trierweilerb@michigan.gov

We look forward to you joining us! Please feel free to share this event information.