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USPSTF Update on Breast Cancer Screening and Prevention: Webinar on April 16

As a follow up to the first-ever cancer genomics conference for primary caregivers in Georgia, the **Georgia Breast Cancer Genomic Health Consortium** will offer a webinar featuring **Dr. Mark Ebell, Associate Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Georgia**. Dr. Ebell will discuss the United States Preventive Services Task Force recommendations concerning risk assessment, genetic counseling, and genetic testing for BRCA-related cancer in women. Participants will be able to ask members of the Georgia Breast Cancer Genomic Health Consortium questions about BRCA counseling and testing recommendations following the presentation. **Continuing education credits are available.**

Title: Breast Cancer Screening and Prevention: Update from USPSTF
Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2014
Time: 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM EDT

GRU receives \$6 million from Masters Tournament to establish cancer research building and children's camp

Georgia Regents University will receive \$6 million from the Masters Tournament to help fund a new cancer research building and a camp for children with disabilities and life-threatening illnesses. The gift was announced Feb. 18 at a press conference held by the Community Foundation for the Central Savannah River Area, which promotes and manages philanthropic efforts throughout the 13 counties that define the CSRA.

"Through the Masters Tournament, we remain committed to the tradition established by our founders to give back, and that includes sharing our resources with the community that supports us so graciously," said Billy Payne, Chairman of Augusta National Golf Club and the Masters Tournament. "We see this research center and children's camp as a way to help transform lives and serve the entire city, state and region for many years to come." [Read more](#)

It's the Journey awards \$600,000 in grants to 22 breast cancer programs in Georgia

Thanks to the enormous efforts of more than 1,000 people who participated in the 2013 Atlanta 2-Day Walk for Breast Cancer, **It's The Journey** was able to award grants to 22 breast cancer and breast health programs in Georgia, including

Georgia CORE. The grantees are diverse in scope, geography and ethnicities served, but they share a common goal of serving, treating, counseling and supporting Georgia's breast cancer community. [Read more](#)



Winship selected for NCI's new National Clinical Trials Network



Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University has been selected as a Lead Academic Participating Site for the National Cancer

Register Now. Space is limited.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lung Love Walk Atlanta
Stone Mountain
April 12
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Walk for the Women We Love
Lawrenceville
April 19
8:00 AM - 1:00 AM

Ride for HOPE
Albany
April 26, 8:00 am

Please visit the [Georgia CORE events](#) listing for more information.

Georgia CORE is an independent nonprofit that generates collaborative resources for cancer prevention, care, research and education. Funded by government and foundation grants, research contracts, sponsorships and private contributions, Georgia CORE fosters collaboration toward better cancer care and faster answers. Its flagship initiative is [GeorgiaCancerInfo.org](#), the first statewide online cancer information center.

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Institute's (NCI) new National Clinical Trials Network (NCTN). The distinction comes with a five-year award.

Effective March 1, 2014, the NCTN will serve as NCI's primary infrastructure to conduct phase II and III cancer clinical trials. NCTN clinical trials will enroll more than 17,000 patients per year with a variety of cancer types and from diverse backgrounds.

The NCTN trials will be managed by five network groups, one of which will be co-led by **Georgia CORE Board member Walter J. Curran, Jr., MD**, executive director of Winship and **Deborah W. Bruner, PhD, RN**, associate director for outcomes research at Winship. [Read more](#)

CORE Bits

In March, Georgia CORE went to the **Columbia County Public Health Center** in Grovetown to rollout the [BreastCancerGeneScreen.org](#) screening tool to Department of Public Health employees. The next screening tool rollout is planned for Muscogee County on April 24. This will be the eighth public health center using the tool, and the first to provide services in Columbus, Ga.

The Institute for Health Promotion Research at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio has released a valuable resource to help educate the Latino community about the significance of clinical trials. Called "Clinical Trials Outreach for Latinos: Program Replication Manual," the manual is free and can be [downloaded here](#).

April being National Minority Health Month, the **U. S. Department of Health and Human Services** recently announced the 2014 theme: "Prevention is Power: Taking Action for Health Equity." In the coming weeks, the Office of Minority Health (OMH) will share additional details including activities, tools and resources for providers, agencies, community and faith-based organizations, families and individuals to promote the message of prevention and improve the health of minority populations. More information can be found on the [OMH web site](#).

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