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CANCER SURVIVORSHIP CONNECTION
An Initiative of Georgia CORE

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Thank you to all who supported us on **Georgia Gives Day, November 12, 2015!** Special thanks go to **Karen Beard, of GASCO**, and to **Shelby and Ed Wolff**, a member of the **Cancer Survivorship Connection's Advisory Board**, who dedicated their donation to **Susan Wolff**. Thank you!

Congratulations to Joni Shortt, BSN, RN, CCRC! She is a Research Network Manager for

Results from the Cancer Survivors' Needs Assessment will be presented at the inaugural ASCO Cancer Survivorship Symposium!

The **Georgia Cancer Control Consortium's Survivorship Working Group** conducted a needs assessment to better understand the physical, psychological, practical, and spiritual needs of adult survivors. Results were used to assess survivors' level of distress and how effectively their needs were being met. The surveys consisted of cross-sectional online and paper-based copies that were developed using NCCN and Commission on Cancer (CoC) guidelines. Surveys were distributed through survivorship programs of CoC hospitals (n = 40) and cancer organizations via email, social media and mail. 740 responses were received from September - December 2014. Key members of the **Survivorship Working Group, leadership from the Georgia Cancer Control Consortium**, including **Dr. Jim Hotz** and **Tamira Moon**, and **key hospitals** who had a good response from their survivors then authored an abstract. It was accepted by the inaugural January 2016 **ASCO Cancer Survivorship Symposium** and will be presented by Georgia CORE Vice President, **Angie Patterson**.

Congratulations to all of our partners who were recognized in Newsweek's "Special Health Issue: Curing Cancer!"

Several Georgia physicians in Gynecologic Oncology, Hematology, Medical Oncology, Neurological Surgery, Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology, Pathology, Pediatric Endocrinology, Pediatric Hematology-Oncology, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Radiation Oncology and Urology were featured in as some of the top cancer doctors in America for 2015 in a recent Newsweek special edition entitled, "Special Health Issue: Curing Cancer." They work at several hospitals around the state, including **Charlie Norwood VA Medical Center, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Scottish Rite & Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Egleston, DeKalb Medical at North Decatur, Doctors Hospital, Emory University Hospital, Emory University Hospital Midtown, Emory St. Joseph's Hospital, Georgia Regents Medical Center, Grady Memorial Hospital, Northside Hospital, Wellstar Windy Hill Hospital and Wellstar Cobb Hospital**. We are pleased to partner with such excellent institutions and wish you an enthusiastic Congratulations!

To see the full list, please click [here](#).

Georgia NCORP and a Clinical Research Coordinator for the Nancy N. and J.C. Lewis Cancer and Research Pavilion at St. Joseph's/Candler. Ms. Shortt is now a voting member of the NRG Oncology Developmental Therapeutics Committee.

Thank you to all who submitted proposals for the **Breast Cancer License Tag 2015 Cycle 2 ACTS Grant!** We had 17 eligible submissions that are currently being read by our reviewers!

Monday, November 23 was **Public Health Thank You Day!** Georgia CORE wishes to thank all of the public health professionals who dedicate their time and energy to combat disease outbreaks, prevent injuries, develop and disseminate vaccines, and much more! We Thank you!

Don't forget that November is **Pancreatic, Lung, Stomach, Carcinoid and Caregivers Awareness Month!** Follow us on Facebook and Twitter or check our website for events happening near you!

Remember! **Lung cancer screening** is part of **Georgia's Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan!** Since it's lung cancer awareness month, it's a great time to encourage your patients who are aged 55 to 80 years old with a history of smoking within the past 15 years to get screened!

Are you a college sports fan? Watch for advertising for GeorgiaCancerInfo.org on www.georgiadogs.com and www.ramblinwreck.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Wit: "The Big C"

Aurora Theatre

A conversation followed by "Wit," the play.

Wednesday, February 3, 2015
7:15 pm - 7:55 pm



Got News?

The Georgia Tobacco Use Prevention Program has three big announcements!



November is the month where tobacco use prevention and cessation is highlighted. Americans are encouraged to quit using any form of tobacco. The **American Cancer Society's Great American SmokeOut (GASO)** was Thursday, November 19, 2015. In addition, the American Lung Association and its

partners have created a statewide education campaign titled, "**Nobody Quits Like Georgia.**" The campaign kicked off on Tuesday, November 17, with featured speaker Mayor Kasim Reed. Lastly, the Georgia Tobacco Use Prevention Program is making available, free of charge, **nicotine replacement therapy** in the form of 4 weeks of the patch or 4 weeks of the gum. For more information, click [here](#).

Several Atlanta Hospitals and Institutions were recognized in the November edition of Delta Sky Magazine!

In an article titled, "The Health Care Hub," several leading Atlanta hospitals were recognized as nationally ranked centers of care and globally recognized public health institutions. Included in the article were **Grady Hospital, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Piedmont Healthcare, Emory University, Marcus Stroke and Neuroscience Center at Grady, Northside Hospital Cancer Institute and the Centers for Disease Control. The American Cancer Society, the Carter Center, the Task Force for Global Health, and the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory** were also recognized as helping uphold Atlanta's reputation as the public health capital of the world. **Georgia CORE** was also recognized for helping partner these institutions with community oncologists around the state.

To read the full article, click [here](#).

Georgia State Scientist Gets \$1.675 Million to Study Link between Cancer and DNA Replication, Repair



Ivaylo Ivanov, associate professor of chemistry at **Georgia State University**, has received a **five-year, \$1.675 million federal grant** to study how problems with DNA replication and repair may lead to cancer susceptibility and inheritable genetic diseases. The project is funded by the **National Institute of General Medical Sciences of the National Institutes of Health** and could have an impact on scientists' fundamental understanding of the causes of cancer. To read more, click [here](#).

Georgia CORE is a public-private partnership designed to bring higher quality, better organized and more cost-effective care to cancer patients and survivors. The organization's Board of Directors is composed of cancer experts from leading cancer centers and academic institutions. CORE's network develops innovative tools and resources for cancer patients, survivors, caregivers, healthcare providers and researchers. Our collective vision is to contribute to the state's distinction as a national leader in cancer care and research and to better health for all

We'd love to share it! Send events, announcements and stories relevant for CORE News to efullerton@georgiacore.org.

Georgians. CORE's flagship resource, www.GeorgiaCancerInfo.org is the only statewide online information center of its kind, where details can be found on oncologists, clinical trials and treatment centers throughout the state.

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