



**Cancer Task Force Report
Cecil County Community Health Advisory Committee
July 21, 2016**

SHIP Measure: Age-Adjusted Mortality Rate from Cancer

Age-adjusted mortality rate from cancer (per 100,000 population)						
	2007-2009	2008-2010	2009-2011	2010-2012	2011-2013	2012-2014
Cecil	220.2	206.0	196.7	188.4	189.4	185.9
Maryland	179.3	176.8	171.4	166.8	163.8	162.0

HP 2020 Target: 160.6 MD 2017 Goal: 147.4
Source: Maryland DHMH Vital Statistics Administration (VSA)

Community Updates

- Union Hospital of Cecil County (UHCC) held a Colorectal Cancer Screening Saturday on 4/16/16 offering free colonoscopies. It was advertised through Facebook and the Cecil Whig. The ColoCare™ kit was also offered which is a simple, but advanced home screening test that helps detect early warning signs of colon cancer. The outreach resulted in 117 calls from patients requesting ColoCare™ kits. Calls will be made to follow up on these clients to monitor the use of the kit.
- Cokesbury United Methodist Church (UMC) received a mini- grant from the Cecil County Health Department (CCHD) to sponsor a Smoking Prevention Program to youth and their families. The event was held on Sunday, May 15, 2016 from 1-3 p.m. in the Cokesbury UMC Fellowship Hall.
- UHCC continues to offer Low Dose Computed Tomography Lung Screening to eligible participants.

Cecil County Health Department Updates

- To kick off Colorectal Cancer Awareness month in March, the CCHD promoted *Dress in Blue Day*. Colorectal Cancer Awareness banners were hung at City Pharmacy, the Elkton Branch of the Cecil County Public Library and the CCHD. Displays were also placed at the 7 branches of the Cecil County Public Library to help raise public awareness and educate the community about colorectal cancer screenings. An electronic bulletin board promoting screening was displayed in the CCHD lobby. A colorectal cancer awareness article was placed in the Department of Community Services newsletter. Colorectal Cancer Awareness ads were also placed on Facebook.
- The CCHD Cecil County Cigarette Restitution Fund Program Cancer Prevention, Education, Screening and Treatment Program and the Breast and Cervical Cancer Program continue to offer colorectal, breast and cervical cancer screening and patient navigation services to those who meet program eligibility criteria. Outreach to health care providers and the community continue.
- A six week Cancer Thriving and Surviving program will be held at Wrights AME Church starting July 12, 2016 at 10 a.m.
- CCHD has been awarded a new grant entitled, “Establishing Partnerships through Community-Clinical Linkages to Increase Colorectal Cancer Screening”. The goal of the grant is to have 80% of eligible people get screened for colorectal cancer by 2018. Process Mapping will be used in this grant. Grant goals and objectives were reviewed at the Cancer Task Force meeting in May. The task force will provide advisement throughout the process of this grant.

The next Cancer Task Force meeting will be held September 9, 2016 at 12 noon in the CCHD auditorium.

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