**Meeting Objective:** Convene representatives from key organizations to review our progress at improving the links of care between community health centers (CHCs) and the medical neighborhood in the delivery of cancer screening, follow-up and treatment, by using colorectal cancer (CRC) as a model.

**Meeting Goals:**

- Review lessons learned from *Links of Care* pilots, reviewing such questions as keys to success, persistent challenges, efficient replication and opportunities
- Delve into sustainability issues, such as the business case, community benefit/ROI and possible policy solutions
- Consider the pathway ahead as they relate to invested partners, including ACS health systems staff, CDC CRCCP program, hospital system engagement, national and state level professional societies and state-level CRC groups.
- Inform longer term effort to develop a *Links of Care* curriculum and dissemination plan

**7:15 am**  
**Continental Breakfast**

**8:00 am**  
**Summit Opening**

Welcome
- Richard Wender, MD, American Cancer Society, National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable Chair

Introductions

**8:30 am**  
**Vision and Opening Remarks**

- Howard Koh, MD, Former Assistant Secretary for Health for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (*By phone*)
- Ronald Yee, MD, Chief Medical Officer, National Association of Community Health Centers
What did we learn from the first two years of the *Links of Care* Pilots?
Preliminary Evaluation Results
- Kara Riehman, Strategic Director, Evaluation Research, American Cancer Society

9:30 am  BREAK

9:45 am  Links of Care: Viewpoint from the Pilots and Key Partners – 8 minute presentations

- Suzanne Lagarde, MD, MBA, FACP, Chief Executive Officer, Fair Haven Community Health Center, Connecticut
- Xavier Llor, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine (Digestive Diseases); Medical Director, Colorectal Cancer Prevention Program; Co-Director, Cancer Genetics and Prevention Program, Yale, Connecticut
- Julia Williams, RN, Chief Nursing Officer, Beaufort Jasper Hampton Comprehensive Health Services, Inc., South Carolina
- Debbie Slazyk, Lowcountry Access Health, South Carolina
- Chris Singer, RN, CPHQ, Chief Operating Officer, West Side Community Health Services, Minnesota
- Richard Zera, MD, FACS, Hennepin County Medical Center, Commission on Cancer State Chair-Minnesota

10:45 am  BREAK

11:00 am  What can we learn from each of these viewpoints?
Q&A and Open Discussion with presenters
- What are the common themes with respect to each of these pilots?
- What has been crucial in each location?
- What challenges elude them?
What advice do they have for us around:
- Buy in (Internal and external buy-in)
- Logistics (work flows, navigation, transportation, etc)
- Financial (costs, billing, funding, ROI, etc)
- Sustainability
- Advice on Replication
- Success measures

11:45 am **New framework going forward**
How could this work be enhanced/leveraged by new frameworks?
*Big picture high level comments – 5 minutes max; no slides*
- Dr. Frank Berger, Role of state/local groups focused on CRC screening (Roundtables)
- Ann Poole, Role of ACS Health System Staff
- Dr. Ken Anderson, Role of Hospital Systems as community leaders
- Dr. Mark Pochapin, Involvement of state level professional societies
- Dr. Djenaba Joseph, Role of CDC’s Colorectal Cancer Control Program Grantees
- Ellie Beaver, ACS CAN efforts in MN

12:30 pm **LUNCH**

1:30 pm **Discussion on New Frameworks (cont).**
How to advance the effort given the new frameworks?
*Twenty minute standing discussion for each topic area*
- How can this new framework help? Who will it activate?
- What is needed for on-the-ground engagement?
- What barriers will need to be overcome?
- What is needed in terms of sustainability?

2:00 pm Reconvene as group and spend 10 minutes on next steps for each framework; Have different rotations to add to discussion and not duplicate; cross pollinations; self selection
3:00pm Break if needed

3:15 pm Taking Action: Responsibilities of Partners
Open Discussion
- As we move forward, what is the role that each of our organizations can play?
- Are there funding opportunities beyond what we are working on to replicate these efforts?
- Resources and future funding; pledge cards – three things to commit on and walk around; acknowledge time; ideas that would meet the needs of the program with other options that were there for those who wanted to ease into it; do we use that plan as opportunity; if you are this type of organization, would you be willing to do this? Leave it open; how will you reach down into the community to help?
- Can we identify areas ripe for *Links of Care* type solutions at the local level where:
  - We have interests from health centers
  - Sizable population of unscreened and uninsured patients at these communities
  - A need / gap that isn’t being filled
  - Partners are likely to work together
  - Orgs present at your meeting can make a commitment to support in these communities
- Measuring success
- Next steps

4:00 pm ADJOURN

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