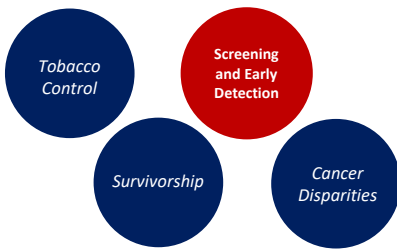


Cancer Alliance of Texas Priority Area Workgroups Spotlight On: Colorectal Cancer Screening



Purpose Statement: To increase colorectal cancer screening rates in Texas through collaboration, education, and other key priorities among cancer stakeholders.

TEXAS CANCER PLAN GOALS

The Colorectal Cancer Screening Subgroup is part of the Screening and Early Detection Priority Area Workgroup. The subgroup is focused on the following goal from the *Texas Cancer Plan*:

Goal 8: Increase screening and early detection to reduce the number of new cases and deaths from colorectal cancer

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

- The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler
- ColonoscopyAssist
- Wichita Falls-Wichita County Public Health District
- Kiel Colon Cancer Foundation
- CommUnity Care
- The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center – Harold C Simmons Comprehensive Cancer Center
- UT Southwestern Moncrief Cancer Institute
- Texas Cancer Control and Blood Disorder Center
- Texas Department of State Health Services

LEADERSHIP

- Co-Chair:** Lewis E. Foxhall, MD
The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center
- Co-Chair:** Allison Rosen, MS
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

- Engage clinical residency training programs to promote evidence-based screening guideline education:
- Conduct a literature review to identify best practices for surveying medicine residency programs
 - Develop a questionnaire for residents of medicine programs to learn more about colorectal cancer screening education
 - Partner with medical associations and program directors to disseminate the questionnaire to medicine program residents
 - Evaluate the results of the residency program questionnaire and identify key themes
 - Develop an action plan for engaging medicine residency programs in increasing colorectal cancer screening rates in Texas

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING SUBGROUP?

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