



MEDIA ALERT
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***New Hampshire Comprehensive Cancer Collaboration Annual
Conference to be held on March 20, 2013 in Concord, NH***

Conference to focus on health reform and cancer care in NH

CONCORD, NH – The New Hampshire Comprehensive Cancer Collaboration will host its 8th Annual Conference on March 20 in Concord, NH. More than 200 participants have pre-registered for the event, which will address the impact of health reform and the changing health care system and how it affects the delivery of cancer care.

As part of health care reform outlined in The Affordable Care Act (ACA), cancer patients and survivors will have more opportunities to receive health insurance coverage for cancer screening, treatment, follow-up care, prescription medications, and preventive care such as mammograms and colonoscopies. The ACA will also prevent health insurance companies from denying coverage to people with pre-existing conditions. These health care changes, along with innovations in patient navigation and diminishing health care disparities, will be addressed by a variety of speakers, including nationally and locally recognized health care experts.

Dr. Tracy Battaglia, MD, MPH, Associate Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology Boston University Schools of Medicine and Public Health presentation will address cancer care delivery models within an emerging health care system. Sarah Singer, LICSW, Manager of Patient and Family Access and Resources at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, will facilitate a panel about patient navigation. Tom Bunnell, Esq., Policy Analyst for NH Voices for Health, will provide an update of New Hampshire legislation affecting health care.

More information about the NH CCC Annual Conference can be found at www.NHCancerPlan.org.

NH CCC 8th Annual Conference
Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2013

Time: 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Location: Courtyard by Marriott, Grappone Conference Center, Concord, NH

To register or for more information: www.NHCancerPlan.org

About NH CCC:

The New Hampshire Comprehensive Cancer Collaboration (NHCCC) was established in 2004 to address one of the leading causes of death in New Hampshire (NH). The NH CCC developed the *New Hampshire Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan* to address the following priorities: preventing cancer by creating environments that support a healthy lifestyle; increasing early detection of cancer through recommended screening; improving the treatment of cancer and quality of life for people living with cancer; and reporting on the latest cancer research.

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