

# Wyoming Cancer Coalition Survivorship Workgroup meeting

March 22, 2021

## Attendees:

- Jeanne Scheneman- Caregivers support Program in the Aging Division, DOH
- Cindy Glaser, WCRS- Region IV, Cancer Survivor
- Edith Silvas, WCRS- Region I
- Haley Mckee, WCRS- Region II
- Joe Grandpre, Wyoming Cancer Surveillance Program
- Kelly Sugihara, WCRS- Region V

## Meeting Summary:

- We reviewed the 2 goals of the Cancer Plan for the Survivorship Workgroup
  1. Goal #6: Improve resources for cancer survivors
  2. Goal #7: Increase training and knowledge for cancer care providers and primary care providers related to cancer treatment and long-term care needs
- This meeting focused on the first strategy outlined in the Cancer Plan for Goal 6, which is to conduct a needs assessment with cancer survivorship and service providers.
  - Purpose: To improve resources for cancer survivors, we first need to know what resources are needed and whether they are or are not available in Wyoming.
- The Needs Assessment will be completed through a contract with One Health Insights (the same company that helped to write the Cancer Plan). Cathy Bledsoe outlined the project proposal in the meeting:
  - Timeline:
    - February- Conduct a literature review and draft tools to be used to collect information from cancer survivors and service providers
    - March- Solicit feedback and finalize tools
    - April- begin data collection
    - May- Analyze data
    - June- Submit final report
    - *NOTE: this contract has since been extended to December to allow enough time for data collection to occur.*
  - Process:
    - #1: An online survey will be used to collect information from cancer survivors on issues experienced during/ after cancer care and whether they were able to find resources to help.
    - #2: An online survey will be used to collect information from cancer service providers (e.g., healthcare providers, non-profits, etc.) on the services they provide or use to help survivors who need resources.

- #3: A small number of in-depth interviews will be conducted with key informants to gather details on the needs and gaps in services in Wyoming.
- **Next Steps:**
  - **Workgroup members should review the survey tools that have been proposed and send feedback to Cathy Bledsoe by April 30, 2021.**
    - If interested in providing feedback, please email Star or Cathy.
    - Please keep in mind that the tools we are using are previously validated tools that are established in the literature. Changing the way a question is asked may reduce the validity of the survey. However, if there is something that needs to be removed or added to increase applicability to Wyoming residents, we are open to considering those changes.
  - **Workgroup members will be vital in helping to disseminate the surveys.** When the tools are ready, please send the survey to professional contacts who provide any services to cancer survivors who have been diagnosed with cancer. We will need them to fill out a survey on the services they provide, but we will also want them to share the survey with cancer survivors through support groups and other means. This will be important in order to get a good sample size from survivors.