**Montana Cancer Control Strategic Plan**

**Identified Priority Objectives: Year Four**

**Prevention – Sun Safety**

**Objective 1:** Reduce the proportion of adolescents who use artificial sources of UV light for tanning.

* + **Strategy 1:** Advocate for policy prohibiting the use of tanning beds for minors

**Project for Year 4:** Support Miss Montana and team member Moira Shea, on the facilitation of sun safety education practices to middle school and high school students in Montana.

**Prevention – Nutrition and Physical Activity**

**Objective 5:** Decrease prevalence of overweight and obese individuals through education, physical activity, nutrition, and health promotion/improvement interventions.

* + **Strategy 3:** Work with Indian Health Service Behavioral Health and Tribal Health to support lifestyle changes to support lifestyle changes through physical activity and nutrition.
  + **Strategy 5:** Support worksites in creating policies that establish guidelines to promote a work

environment that increases opportunities for employees to engage in physical activity.

**Project for Year 4:** Work with leadership from the Montana American Indian Women’s Health Coalition (MAIWHC), on the development of a toolkit focused on the facilitation of ‘Walk your Mocs’ nutrition and physical activity educational events to be held on American Indian reservations in Montana.

**Screening and Early Detection**

**Objective 1:** Increase screening using nationally recognized guidelines for breast, cervical, colorectal, and lung cancers.

* + **Strategy 2:** Educate providers, Indian Health Service and Tribal Health on screening guidelines, insurance coverage, referrals, state programs, and access barriers.

**Projects for Year 4:**

1. **Activity 1:** Produce educational one-page document for all Chronic Disease programs that State Contractors can share during provider outreach
2. **Activity 2:** Collect baseline FluFit information to determine goals for next year
3. **Activity 3:** Collect baseline information for the number of providers enrolled in the Montana Cancer Screening Program

**Treatment and Research**

**Objective 1:** Increase availability of and access to diagnostic and cancer treatment modalities.

* + **Strategy 2:** Collaborate with stakeholders including IHS and tribal health to provide education on the importance of obtaining a primary healthcare provider, and the benefits of having healthcare coverage and advocating for your own health.
  + **Strategy 3:** Identify gaps and develop ways to increase the number of people in MT who travel 100 miles or less to access healthcare.

**Project for Year 4:** Development of ARCGISInteractive Map showcasing areas in Montana that house Cancer Treatment facilities.More specifically, the team will continue to work on rolling out the interactive statewide map that will showcase medical facilities and what cancer screening, testing and treatment options they provide.

**Quality of Life and Survivorship**

**Objective 1:** *Increase the number of cancer survivors who receive a comprehensive care summary and follow up plan after completing treatment.*

* + **Strategy 1:** *Provide culturally competent training and resources to cancer centers to implement comprehensive survivorship care plans and provide these summaries to primary care providers.*

**Objective 2:** *Increase the number of cancer patients, families, and caregivers who are connected with psychosocial and rehabilitation services.*

* + **Strategy 1:** *Collaborate with partners to assess and address gaps in resources statewide.*
  + **Strategy 2:** *Collaborate with partners to collect and disseminate information regarding psychosocial and rehabilitative services statewide, including American Indian reservations.*
  + **Strategy 3:** Develop, organize, and participate in annual activities designed to support prostate and testicular cancer survivors.

**Projects for Year 4:**

**Objective 1:**

* By September 1, 2019, adapt the Survivorship Care Plan Flyers to be culturally sensitive for American Indian communities. Get this to cancer centers and American Indian Healthcare centers.
* Develop strategies that improve transition from oncologist to PCP.
* By December 31, 2019, gather information on the knowledge and comfort level of PCP/NP/PA’s to care for cancer patients and vice versa.
* By March 31, 2020, identify potential gaps in knowledge and comfort level between caregivers and cancer patients with the transition and develop a plan to address these gaps.

**Objective 2:**

* + Complete the support services map and post on MTCC website by October 1, 2019.
  + Review map to identify gaps in psychosocial and rehabilitative care that can be addressed.
  + By December 31, 2019, decide on 1-2 gaps that could be addressed and develop plan to implement.
  + By December 31, 2019, develop a project to annually bring awareness and support for prostate and testicular cancer. (not screening)

**Pediatric Cancer**

**Objective 2:** Increase education to schools, families, primary care providers, health departments, Indian Health Service and Tribal Health on resources and pediatric oncology services available in Montana to treat children with cancer.

* + **Strategy 3:** Educate state nurses, K-12 educators, and school counselors on the physical, emotional, and cognitive impacts of childhood cancer.

**Projects for Year 4:**

* Continue to develop and consistently update categorized online resource guide housed on MTCC website
* Start outreach to school staff through interactive presentations/tables at conferences
* Recruit additional team members
* Create a downloadable pdf of FAQs regarding k-12 students with cancer
* Create a presentation template for presentations with school nurses and teachers.