# WELCOME TO THE

END LUNG CANCER NOW

Friday, November 8, 2024

**GATHERING** 

Advocates amplify research.
Research cures cancer.



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MELVIN AND BREN SIMON COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CENTER



#### **Housekeeping Items**

✓ Complimentary Wi-Fi

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Password: Association 1906

- ✓ The Playbook
- ✓ Special Teams
- Exhibit Passport



















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# End Lung Cancer Now: A Year in Review

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### Why End Lung Cancer Now?

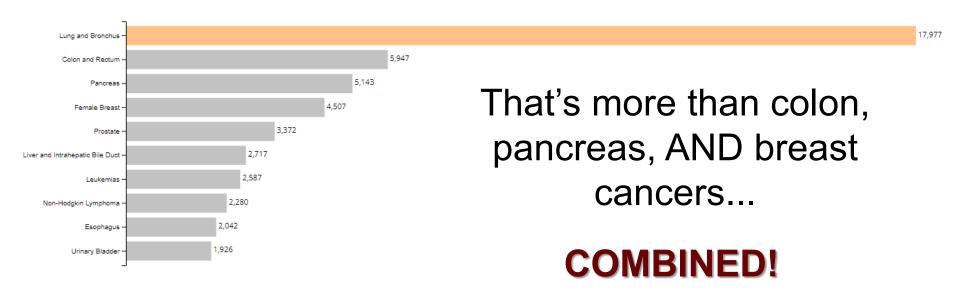
Lung cancer is the #1 cause of cancer-related death in men and women.

By far!





#### Number of Cancer Deaths, Indiana, 2018-2022





Source - U.S. Cancer Statistics Working Group. U.S. Cancer Statistics Data Visualizations Tool, based on 2021 submission data (1999-2019): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Cancer Institute; <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/dataviz">https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/dataviz</a>, released in November 2022.



Yet, it wasn't that long ago that lung cancer was a rare diagnosis and cause of suffering.

We know the formula to make lung cancer rare again!





#### Our Vision

End the suffering and death from lung cancer in Indiana.



#### **Our Mission**



#### **Educate** and **empower** community advocates to:



Eliminate tobacco use in Indiana.



Screen all eligible Hoosiers with low-dose CT scans.



Increase participation in lung cancer research.

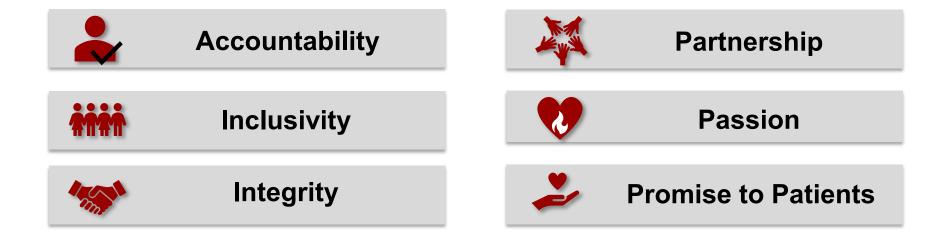


Support lung cancer survivors and their caregivers.



#### **Our Values**









#### Since we last met...



### **Organizational Accomplishments**



- Secured nearly \$2.5 million philanthropic dollars to support the initiative's work.
- Secured nearly \$250,000 sponsorship dollars to support our events and marketing campaigns.
- Transitioned from a part-time team of 3 to a full-time team of 4.
- Established and strengthened key partnerships with local and national organizations.
- Ongoing community engagement to educate and share resources on the importance of prevention, screening, research, and advocacy.





# **Screening Efforts**

Game plan developed at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Gathering



#### **ELCN Lung Cancer Screening Taskforce**



- **25 members** with a shared passion to improve screening rates
- Focus areas:
  - Systems-based changes
  - Resources and implementation
  - Public health and advocacy
  - Primary care engagement
  - Mobile CT unit/program
- Developed a blueprint to transform, scale, and centralize IU
   Health screening programs to save lives

Scan here to download a copy of the Blueprint!





#### **Key Recommendations**



- 1. Centralized structure with unified oversight
- 2. Adequate resource allocation
- 3. Electronic medical record improvements
- 4. Improve shared decision making and tobacco treatment services
- 5. Improve lung nodule management and multidisciplinary discussion
- 6. Establish lung cancer screening as a quality metric
- 7. Establish a mixed payer model
- 8. Comprehensive education for healthcare professionals and patients
- 9. Comprehensive community outreach and advocacy
- 10. Public health awareness campaigns
- 11. Implement a mobile lung cancer screening program





### Transformational progress so far...

- ✓ Launched a multidisciplinary Lung Screening Review Board
- ✓ Enhanced personnel resources within the IUH system.
- ✓ Three \*NEW\* screening locations are open with two more scheduled.
- ✓ More than doubled the number of patients screened compared to 2023





#### Transformational progress so far...

- ✓ **Reduction in wait times** from 9-12 months to 1-2 weeks
- ✓ Increase in referrals from mammography clinic
- ✓ Working towards lung cancer screening becoming a quality metric.
- Ongoing efforts to update EMR system to identify/notify eligible patients
- ✓ And...







- \$4.5M gift from Tom and Julie Wood Family Foundation + \$4M endowed match from IU Health Foundation
- A multidisciplinary taskforce is developing "The Roadmap for Mobile Screening"
- Mobile unit will be in-hand by end of 2024
- First patient will be screened in early 2025!





## **Advocacy Efforts**

Game plan developed at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gathering



#### **ELCN Advocate Toolkit**



**Purpose**: To serve as an idea generator and conversation starter when someone asks, "What can I do?"

It's a journey of self-reflection to determine...

- Area(s) of Interest (Prevention, Screening, Research, Advocacy)
- Advocacy Method (Sharing your story, volunteering, social media, legislative work, etc.)
- Level of Engagement (Interested, Informed, Involved, Invested)

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#### **Inaugural ELCN Advocate Rally**







#### **Survivor Support**



- Hosted inaugural World Lung Cancer Day celebration
- Distributed ELCN Survivor Care Kits to nearly 400 patients
- Partnered with the thoracic oncology nurse navigator to distribute educational lung cancer materials to newly diagnosed patients







#### **Lung Cancer Awareness Campaign**



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Campaign Ambassador

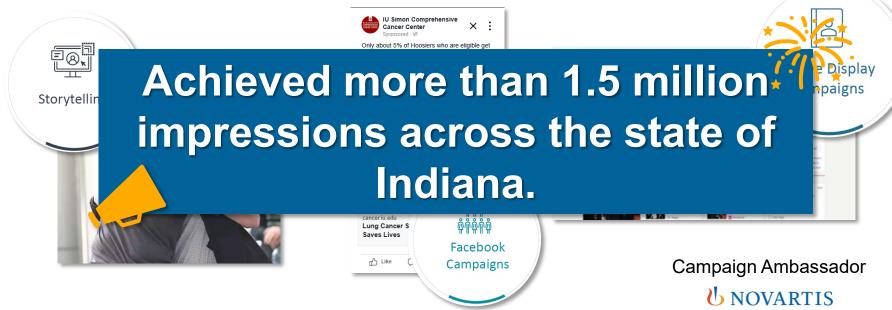
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# So, now what?





Advances in lung cancer treatment come only from clinical trials, but less than 5% of eligible patients currently participate.







Today we'll learn how we, as lung cancer advocates, can amplify the message that research cures cancer.





"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."



ш --Margaret Mead





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