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Are you a primary care provider looking for educational materials?

Look no further than the
Cancer Survivorship
Connection.

It lists many educational
modules about cancer
survivorship care. In addition,
you can receive continuing
medical education credits for
participating in them!



CANCER SURVIVORSHIP CONNECTION
An Initiative of Georgia CORE

CORE Bits

The **Prevention Research Center** at the University of Kentucky in partnership with the Appalachian Regional Commission and the CDC is working on a project examining the state of navigation in the Appalachian states. In addition, they are developing some Appalachia specific information and materials. They are currently conducting a survey to collect information from **patient navigators** who provide navigation services and service cancer patients and their families in Appalachia.

If you are a patient navigator in Appalachia, please complete the short survey to ensure that you

Georgia Governor Deal Proclaims June Cancer Survivors' Month

Georgia Governor Nathan Deal has proclaimed June as Cancer Survivors' Month and June 7th as Cancer Survivors' Day. The proclamation states that a "cancer survivor" is defined as anyone living with a history of cancer - from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of one's life. It also notes that in 2015, an estimated 1.6 million and 48,070 cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States and Georgia, respectively. These astonishing numbers are a testament to the need for increased access to quality cancer care, screening, and prevention in communities throughout our state. Organizations in the state, such as the Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education (CORE), are dedicated to increasing collaboration to offer higher quality, better organized, and more cost-effective cancer care in Georgia. The great State of Georgia has over 356,000 active, productive cancer survivors. These individuals serve as an inspiration to their fellow citizens and a reminder of the need to continue to bring awareness to this epidemic. You can see a larger image of the proclamation [here](#).



Cancer Coalition of South Georgia hosted their 2015 Photo Voice Project

The Georgia Department of Public Health commissioned the [Cancer Coalition of South Georgia](#) to determine the outlook of cancer survivorship in South Georgia. First-hand information was collected from area survivors through focus groups and a unique photo voice project.

Photo Voice is a process by which individuals use photo images to capture aspects of their environment and experiences. The pictures, accompanied with captions or journals, are shared with others to bring the realities of the photographers' lives to the attention of stakeholders. Photo voice is a useful tool for research, education, and awareness.

Seven area cancer survivors were equipped with digital cameras and asked to capture photographs representing a day in the life of a survivor including the highs, lows, successes, and challenges. The survivorship stories articulated through these images told powerful stories of strength and courage.

A reception was held May 14, 2015 at the Albany Museum of Art to honor participating survivors. Images collected during the Photo Voice Project were unveiled to nearly 75 attendees including survivors,

experiences providing navigation services are included and your state's contributions to navigation will be part of the findings. You can find more information on and the link to the survey [here](#).

Applications are now open for the **4th Annual Matt Number, MD, Visionary Award** for Excellence in Patient Navigation. They are due Monday, July 30, 2015. You can learn more about this award [here](#).

Have you seen our new commercial on the **Cancer Survivorship Connection**? If not, you can watch it [here](#)!

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Atlanta Braves Prostate Cancer Awareness Day](#)

Sunday, June 21, 2015

5:10 - Till PM EST

(Prostate Health Education Seminar at 3:00 PM EST)

[11th Annual Pink Ribbon Walk 5K](#)

Saturday, July 18, 2015

7:00 AM - 11:00 AM EST

Atlanta, Georgia

[2015 GASCO Annual Meeting](#)

Friday-Saturday,

September 11-12, 2015

Intercontinental Hotel-

Buckhead

Atlanta, Georgia

[Oncology Clinical Practice Guidelines: Improving Patient Outcomes Program-Data Review Workshops](#)

Thursday, September 17, 2015

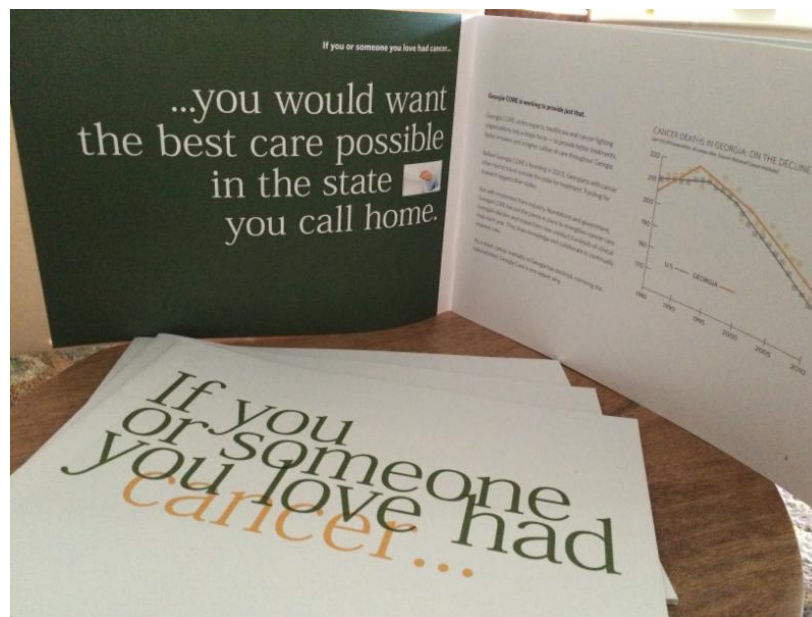
Georgia International Convention Center
Atlanta, Georgia

[Atlanta Lung Cancer Symposium 2015](#)

Saturday, October 24, 2015

Loews Atlanta Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia

healthcare professionals, caregivers, family, and friends. You can read more about this project [here](#).



If you or a loved one had cancer... It's a phrase that any of us can relate to, whether cancer is in our past or potentially part of our future. It's also the imaginative opening to a new impact report that shows the many ways Georgia CORE is working to strengthen cancer care in Georgia. "So many people know us for one or two things we do, but this report connects the dots and shows all that's required to make cancer care the best it can be in our state," says Nancy Paris, Georgia president. Georgia CORE's communications partner, Versal ([VersalCreative.com](#)), created the report. For your copy, email Info@GeorgiaCore.org.

Talbotton, GA hosted a "Walk for a Cure"

On Friday, May 15th, Talbotton, Georgia, hosted a "Walk for a Cure" cancer walk at the high school football stadium on Friday, May 15th from 7:00 pm -12:00 am. Proceeds benefited the West Central Georgia Cancer Coalition's "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" fund. A total of \$7,005 was raised. This also gave this small community a chance to band together to help address helping cancer patients through the [West Central Georgia Cancer Coalition](#) and their city.





Georgia CORE is a public-private partnership designed to bring higher quality, better organized and more cost-effective care to cancer patients and survivors. The organization's Board of Directors is composed of cancer experts from leading cancer centers and academic institutions. CORE's network develops innovative tools and resources for cancer patients, survivors, caregivers, healthcare providers and researchers. Our collective vision is to contribute to the state's distinction as a national leader in cancer care and research and to better health for all Georgians. CORE's flagship resource, www.GeorgiaCancerInfo.org is the only statewide online information center of its kind, where details can be found on oncologists, clinical trials and treatments centers throughout the state.

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