

Cancer Services Program (CSP) of Lewis & Jefferson County

History

The Cancer Services Program (CSP) of Lewis & Jefferson (formerly the Wellness Connection) is one of 46 community based cancer-screening “partnerships” across NYS. The program is funded through the NYS Department of Health (NYSDOH) and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to deliver comprehensive breast, cervical and colorectal cancer screening and early detection services to uninsured and/or under-insured (those with high deductible or other financial barriers to screenings) for women age 40 and older and men 50 and older.

In addition to screening services, the partnership provides case management services, education about cancer prevention and early detection and provides access to treatment funding through the Medicaid Cancer Treatment Program (MCTP) for women diagnosed with breast, cervical or colorectal cancer and for men diagnosed with colorectal and prostate cancer.

For several years the program has received funding from the *Susan G Komen for the Cure* to assist women not eligible for breast screening through NYSDOH CSP to access comprehensive breast screening, purchase post-surgical aides and accessories, educational supplies and/or materials and to promote services through advertising and education.

Partnership and Partners

Currently, one or more of the CSP partnership programs serves all NYS counties. The “partnership” model from the CDC was selected as the most effective model based on the concept of “community of solution”. With this concept, a variety of existing community entities contribute and mobilize their resources collectively to solve problems. Since 1998 the CSP has partnered with over 90 healthcare providers and institutions, human service agencies, organizations, businesses, government agencies and individuals. The goal is reaching the uninsured and/or under-insured individuals in our area. Partnership meetings are held quarterly to assist with implementation of required activities as appropriate to the mission and role of their organizations. Partners help programs reach their goals by: expanding and maximizing resources, coordinating program activities, overcoming obstacles to improve the recruitment of priority populations, and in the promotion of the delivery of breast, cervical and colorectal cancer screening.

Outreach Activities

During 2009, the CSP partnered with the local Lewis County General Hospital to create a Breast Cancer Outreach Team for the purpose of promoting screening and education. Approximately 60 events were completed to raise awareness about cancer screening and to recruit individuals for screening including: screening clinics, outreach events, worksite wellness clinics, educational seminars, community fundraisers, two breast cancer awareness dinners and health committees. In addition to outreach, the CSP promotes October Breast Cancer Awareness Month and March Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. With the grant from *Susan G Komen for the Cure*, the program is able to purchase up-to-date educational materials and supplies for these outreach events and increase advertising.

Performance Measures

Each month the New York State Department of Health, Cancer Services Program publishes quality indicators called Performance Measures for each of the Cancer Services Partnerships throughout NYS.

NYS Department of Health Cancer Services Program of Lewis & Jefferson Data Submitted Through December 31, 2009				
NYS DOH CSP Performance Measures “Quality Indicators”	# of clients served	% for Lewis / Jefferson	NYS Average	Goal
Performance Measure # 1 Percent of Screening Mammogram Clients Age 50 and Older	283	66.7%	56%	75%
Performance Measure #2- Percent of Initial Pap Tests for women rarely or never screened for cervical cancer	24	30%	26.2%	20%
Performance Measure #4- Percent of Male clients Age 50 and older	33	9.3%	6.3%	20%
Performance Measure # 5 Percent of Clients Rescreened by Fecal Test with 10-14 Months	53	55.2%	27%	60%
Performance Measure #6- Percent of Clients Age 50-64	343	54.9%	47.6%	75%
Performance Measure #7- Percent of women age 50 and older with Comprehensive Cancer Screening	138	57.7%	50.1%	50%
Performance Measure #9 - Percent of Eligible Priority Population Screened in Each County	Lewis 119 9.4%	Jefferson 329 Served 11.8%	NYS Average 4.9%	Goal 15%
Performance Measure #10- Percent of abnormal cervical screens with timely follow-up (*)	26	65%	65.3%	75%
Performance Measure #11- Percent of abnormal breast screens with timely follow-up (*)	87	86.1%	73.4%	75%
Performance Measure #12- Percent of abnormal colorectal screens with timely follow-up (*)	N/A	N/A	52%	75%
Performance Measure #13- Percent of eligible clients enrolled in MCTP	9	81.8%	78.8%	90%
Performance Measure #14- Percent of Screening Intake Forms with timely submission (90 days)	844	93.5%	74.9%	85%
Performance Measure #15- Percent of Follow-up Forms with timely submission (60 days)	129	96.3%	83.9%	85%

- Followed up within <60 days

2009 Program Statistics	Cervical	Breast	Colorectal
# Follow-up for Abnormal Screening	74	106	35
# Cancer Diagnoses	49	9	1

# Cancer Incidence Comparison Report			
Program Statistics Program Year	# Cancer Diagnosis*	# of Clients Eligible for MCTP*	# of Clients Enrolled in MCTP 4/1/08-3/31/09
Breast Cancer 2009	8	6	6
# Cervical Cancer 2009	7	7	7
# of Colorectal Cancer and Or Prostate Cancer 2009	1	1	1
2008	76	27	8
2007	118	52	30

* Breast cancer includes Lobular in Situ, Other Carcinoma in Situ and invasive breast cancer.

*Cervical cancer includes CIN I, II, III and invasive cervical cancer.

*Medicaid Cancer Treatment Program

Statistical Data

According to the *American Cancer Society's 2009 Lewis County Cancer Burden Profile*, the four major cancer sites (lung /bronchus; prostate, female breast and colorectal) represent 53.7.2% of all new cancer cases and 49.70% of all new cancer deaths. In Lewis County, breast cancer accounts for approximately 10.9% of these new cancers and 5.9% of cancer deaths. Colorectal cancer cases accounts for 11.9% of all cancer cases and 11.2% of all cancer deaths.

The annual incidence rate has increased 1.9% since 1991-1995 largely due to the fact that more individuals are being screened and annual mortality rates have decreased. Individuals diagnosed with early stage disease for colorectal, breast and prostate cancers have the best survival rates.

According to the 2008 NYS DOH State Cancer Registry, Lewis County has a higher percentage of individuals diagnosed with colon cancer than other areas in the state. Colon cancer is a preventable cancer with regular screening. Factors such as age, life style and family history contribute to a person's lifetime risk.