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The Abundant Life Health Ministries Network for Faith, Health & Community

Comprehensive Cancer Center

Thinking about starting a health ministry, building upon an existing health ministry, or exploring partnerships with communities of faith and health ministries, we have proven techniques and resources that can help.

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What is the Abundant Life Health Ministries Network (ALHMN)?

The Abundant Life Health Ministries Network (ALHMN) was created in 2005 by the UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center (HDFCCC) Community Advisory Board, Faith Communities Committee, a program of the UCSF HDFCCC Office of Community Engagement.

The goal is to build collaborative partnerships with communities of faith, UCSF, community partners & the public for ongoing engagement with health ministries that help end cancer health inequities & disparities in blacks/African Americans and communities of color who experience a greater burden of cancer.

Why an Abundant Life Health Ministries Network?

Blacks/African Americans and other communities of color are at high risk for many serious and often deadly diseases including:

- Many types of cancer (breast, colorectal, prostate, lung and other cancers)

- High Blood Pressure
- Heart Disease
- Stroke
- Obesity
- Diabetes

The power of faith, community, prevention, information, education, and access are associated with health protective practices. The ALHMN promotes actions to take to improve health and lower the risk of some cancers and chronic diseases.

What are the Abundant Life Health Ministries Network program components?

- Health Ministry capacity building & technical assistance
- Health information dissemination & education; annual "Gathering" Forum
- Health Ministry funding
- Regional Health Ministry Liaisons for consultations
- Network of diverse faith communities programs
- Partnerships, engagement, service & research

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What are the areas of focus areas for ALHMN:

- Health Ministry development, strengthening & partnerships
- Cancer awareness, information dissemination & education
- Disease Prevention & ways to lower risk
- Healthy eating & physical activity
- Colorectal cancer education & screening
- Women's Health & Men's Health cancer education & screening
- Cancer Research & Clinical Trials Education
- Asset Based Community Development (ABCD)
- Health equity, disparities & policy awareness & action
- Tobacco control awareness & education

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Faith Communities Committee Leadership

- Wilma Batiste, Chair
- Marion Harris, Co-Chair
- Dr. Ka'Ryn Holder Jackson, Co-Chair
- Gloria Brown, Founding Chair
- Advisors: Vonda Nolan, Rev. Babatunde Onadele, Sr., Dr. James McCray, Jr.



UCSF HDFCCC Community Advisory Board (CAB) Leadership:

- Lisa Tealer, Chair
- Roxanna Bautista, Co-Chair
- Arnold Perkins, Immediate Past CAB Chair
- Frank E. Staggers, Sr., Founding CAB Chair (now deceased)

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Join us to foster health promotion and education for faith, health & community.



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