# Update on the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences

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# **DCCPS** Organizational Leadership



Office of the Director VACANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR Recruiting in 2022 under new DCCPS Director



Office of Cancer Survivorship Dr. Emily Tonorezos DIRECTOR





Office of the Director Dr. David Chambers DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE



Office of the Director Dr. Shobha Srinivasan SENIOR ADVISOR FOR HEALTH DISPARITIES



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Surveillance Research Program Dr. Lynne Penberthy ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR



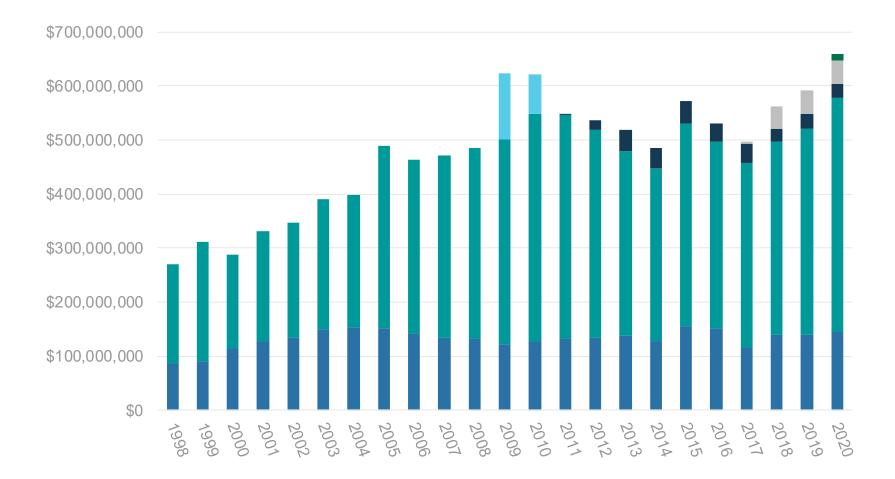
Behavioral Research Program Dr. William Klein ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR



Healthcare Delivery Research Program Dr. Paul Jacobsen ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR



# DCCPS Research Funding and Support Dollars, FY 1998-FY 2020



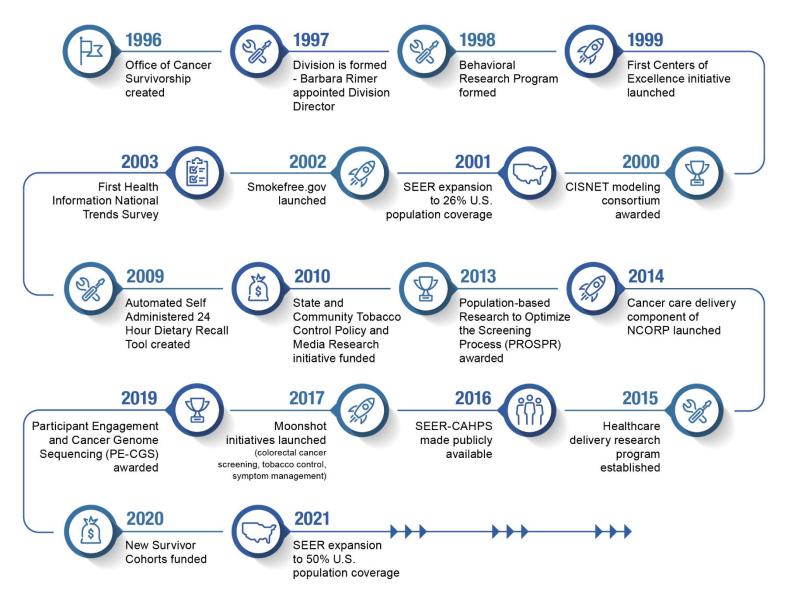
■ Operations/Center Grants/Contracts ■ Total RPG + Non-RPG ■ ARRA ■ FDA ■ Moonshot ■ Star Act

# Historical Context of DCCPS

- Two 1997 NCI BSA reports highly critical of NCI leadership and programs in prevention and control led to:
  - Creation of DCCPS
  - Substantial recruiting effort
  - Creation of new branches focused on basic behavioral science and health communication
  - Tobacco Research Implementation Group Report
  - Surveillance Research Implementation Group Report
- Development and expansion of productive interagency collaborations
- Strengthening of NCI's role and impact in public health



# Major Internal Events in the History of DCCPS



# CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE INITIATIVES

NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE



# Centers of Excellence Initiatives

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# What's Next?

Centers on Telehealth Research and Cancer-Related Care



#### **Future Initiative**

 Centers of Excellence for 24 Hour Behavior Patterns



NIH National Institutes of Health

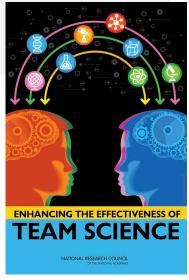
# 2020–2030 Strategic Plan for NIH Nutrition Research

A Report of the NIH Nutrition Research Task Force



#### Lessons Learned

- Team formation
- Leadership
- Communication and coordination
- Training
- Institutional policies and structure



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# Strategies for Team Science Success

Handbook of Evidence-Based Principles for Cross-Disciplinary Science and Practical Lessons Learned from Health Researchers

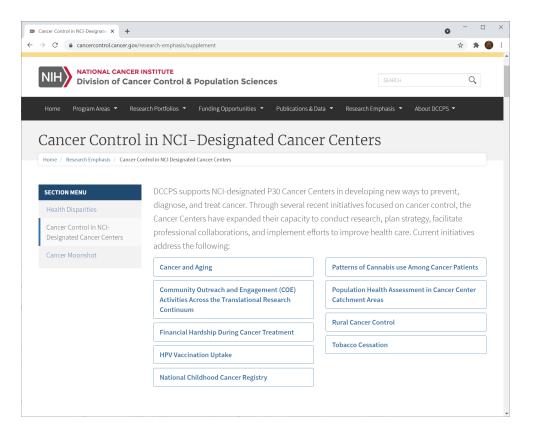


INSCITS Building the knowledge base for effective team science International Network for the Science of Team Science

# LEVERAGING NCI-DESIGNATED CANCER CENTERS FOR CANCER CONTROL

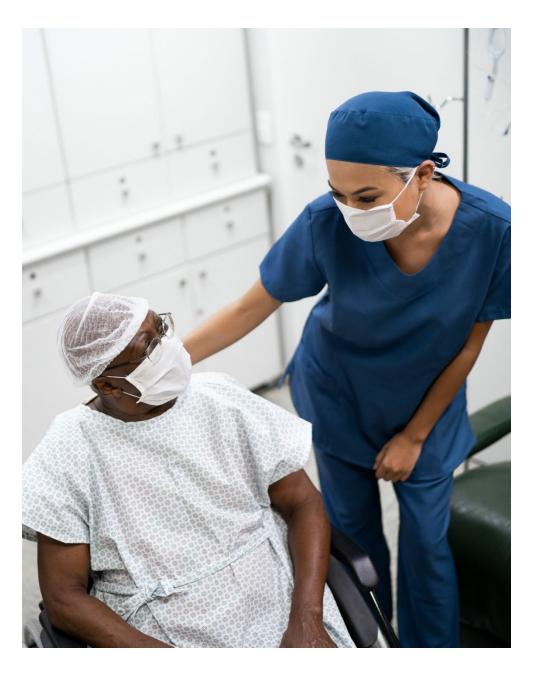
## DCCPS's CCSG Supplements History

- From FY 2014 FY 2021
- 261 administrative supplements across 18 initiatives
- \$62.8M
- 62 unique cancer centers; many got funds for more than 1 initiative
- HPV Vaccination Uptake, Catchment Areas, Tobacco Cessation, Rural & AI/AN, Aging, Cannabis Use, CCDI, COE, Financial Hardship, Cancer Survivorship in Children.



# CCSG Supplements: What's Next

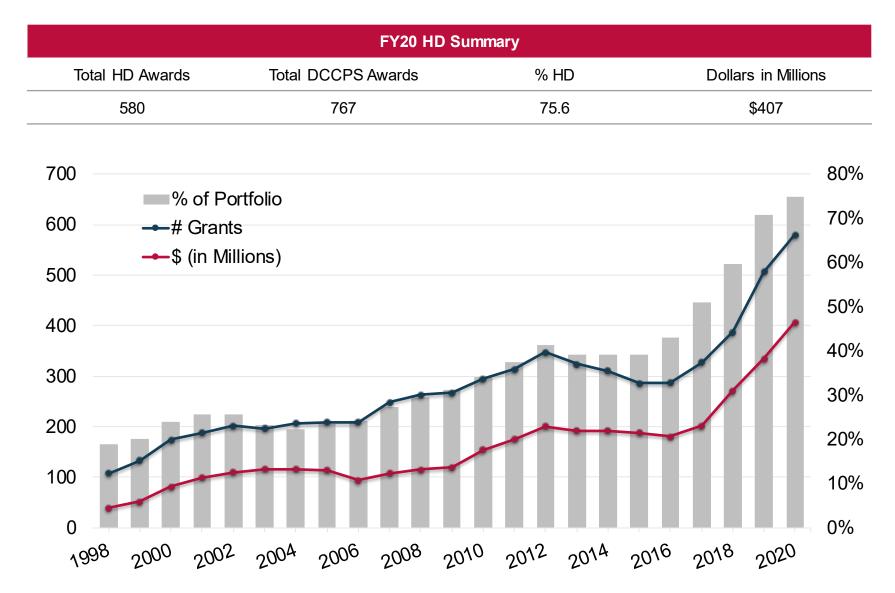
- Cannabis use, cont.
- Nicotine reduction in cigarettes
- Supporting HRSA clinic collaborations concerning cancer screening



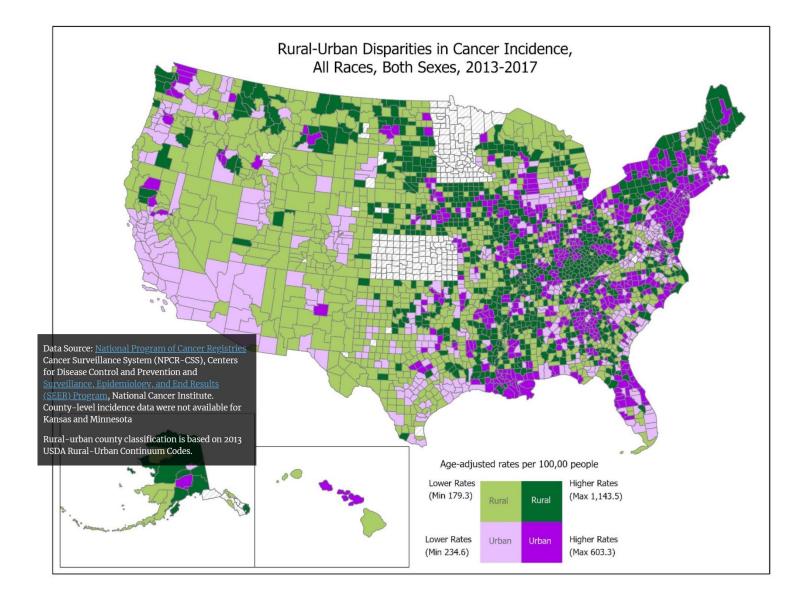
# HEALTH DISPARITIES



# DCCPS HD Portfolio Trends, FY 1998-FY 2020

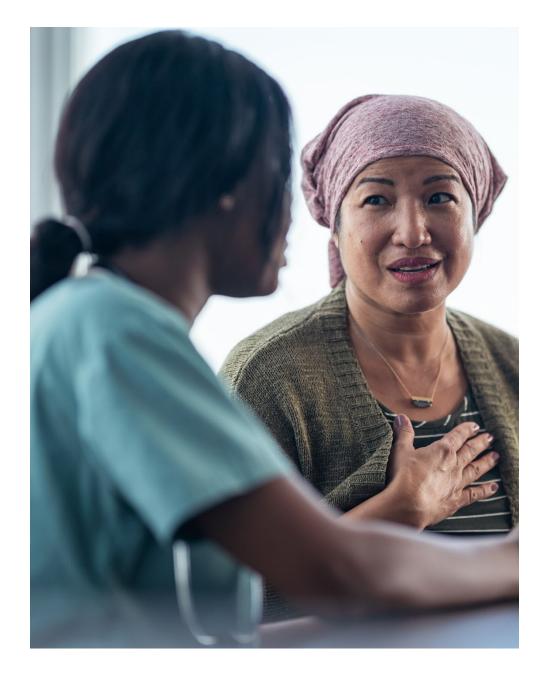


#### Rural-Urban Disparities in Cancer Incidence, All Races, Both Sexes, 2013-2017



# **Future Opportunities**

- AI/AN cancer control
- Sexual and gender minorities
- Regions in persistent poverty
  - P01 NOSI in NIH Guide
  - RFA planned for FY23 funding
- ARPA-H?



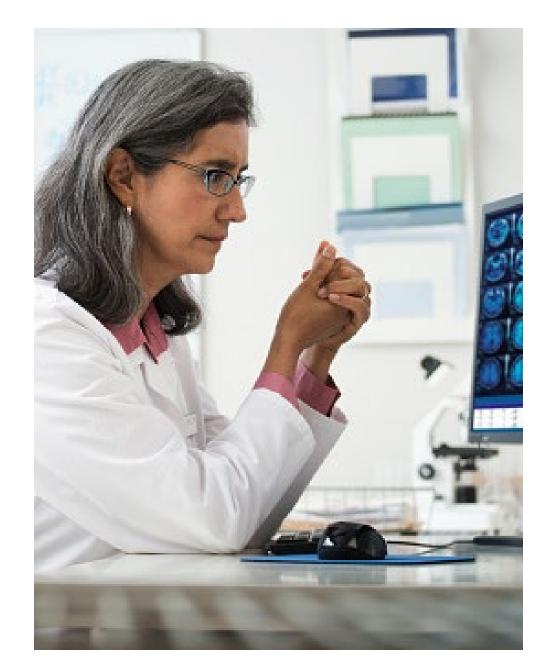
# CANCER SURVEILLANCE



# Reasons for SEER Expansion 2021

In order to represent real-world data at the population level:

- Increase data coverage to:
  - Enable reporting of trends in more refined, clinical categories such as:
    - histologic subtype
    - biomarkers status
    - treatment categories
  - and by important population subgroups
- As of June 1, 2021, SEER now covers ~50% of the US population
  - Represents >850,000 incident cancers reported annually

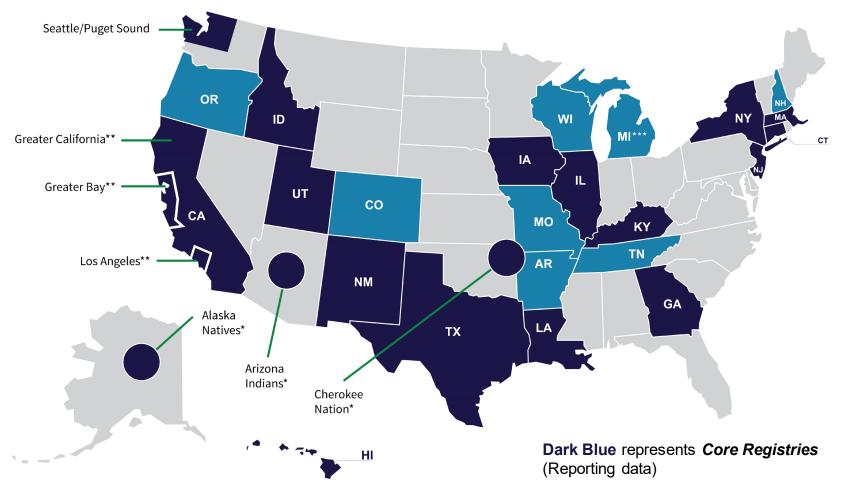


# Percent Increase for US Population Subgroups with SEER Expansion May 2021

Total Population	White	Black	Al/AN	Asian	Native HI/PI		
13.3%	12.5%	14.6%	6.5%	14.6%	5.0%		

2 or more Races	Chinese	Filipino	Japanese	Hispanic		
12.3%	11.3%	12.5%	6.1%	25.2%		

# Map of SEER Program, June 1, 2021



Light Blue represents *Research Support Registries*- participate in special projects

# CANCER SURVIVORSHIP

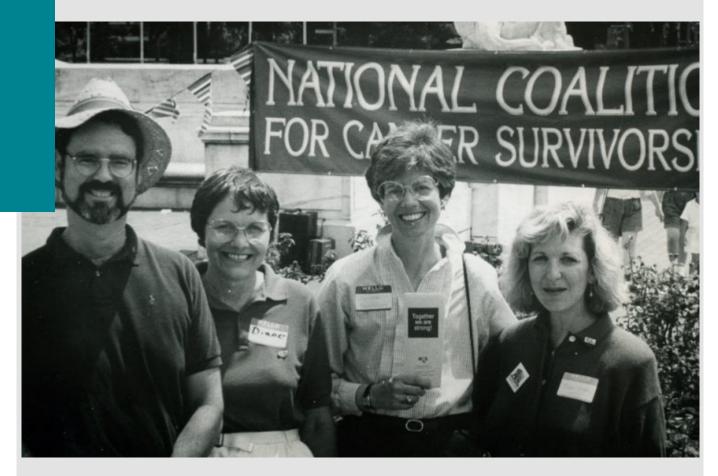


# **Goals for the Office of Cancer Survivorship**

- Support survivorship researchers
- Build infrastructure
- Leverage expertise
- Generate collaborations
- Promote understudied research areas

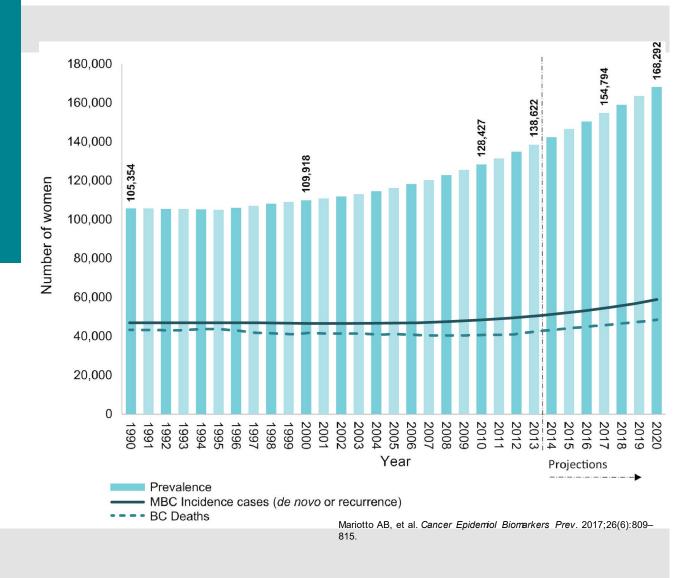
# Definition of Cancer Survivor: From Diagnosis

First developed by NCCS to define the population and move away from the term "cancer victim"



# Growing Population

Survivors with advanced and metastatic cancer are growing in number.



# **Definition of Cancer Survivor: Updated**

- An individual is considered a cancer survivor from the time of diagnosis, through the balance of life.
- Survivors include those living with cancer and those free of cancer.







# Defining the Population: Survivor Living with Cancer

- Diagnosed with metastatic or advanced cancer or with cancer that has progressed from early-stage to metastatic.
- Can be on or off treatment.

The goal of care is to prolong life without expectation of cure.

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# **Priorities:**

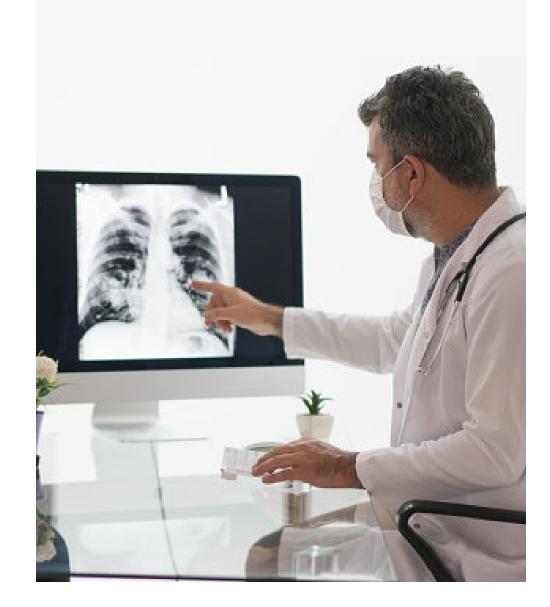
- Survivorship among those living with advanced and metastatic cancer
- Childhood cancer survivorship
- Disparities among cancer survivors
- Conducting longitudinal studies as well as longer-term follow-up studies
- Leveraging existing data
- Incorporating implementation science strategies
- Survivor cohort studies (3 awards in FY21)

# FUTURE

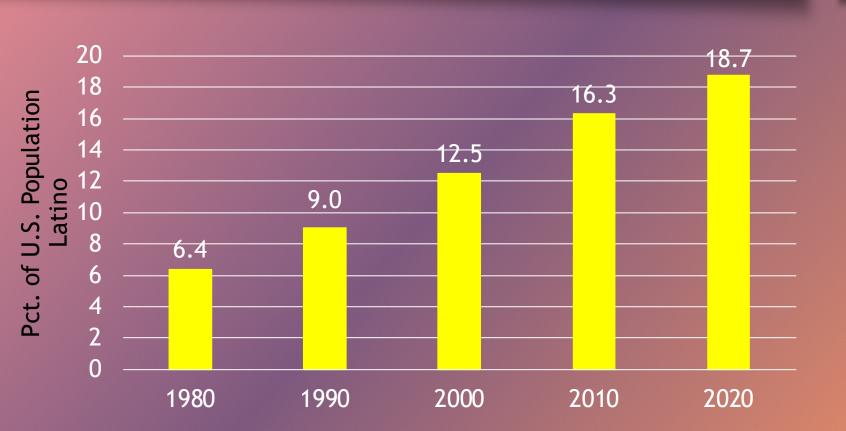


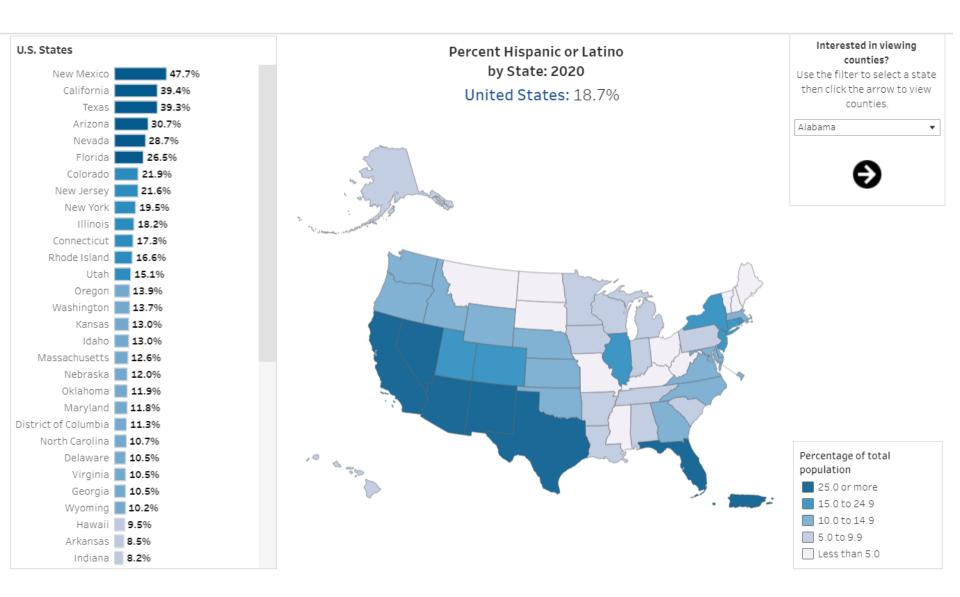
#### **Future Challenges**

- Revitalize Key Partnerships
  - ACS/CDC/NCI (e.g., lung cancer screening post COVID)
  - NIEHS (new cohorts for environmental exposures and cancer risk – RFA funding plan to SPL, Aug 17, 2021)
  - Trans-NIH (obesity, nutrition, and physical activity; behavioral prevention trials)
  - Cancer center community outreach and engagement

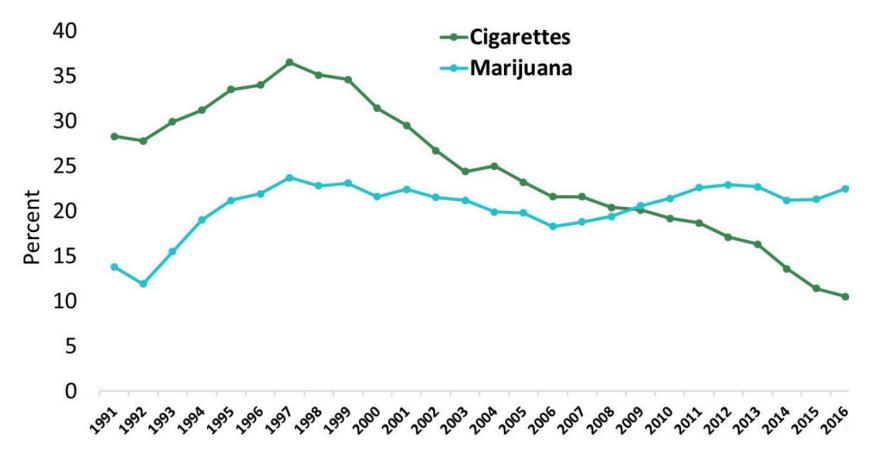


# Percent of U.S. Population Latino, 1980 to 2020



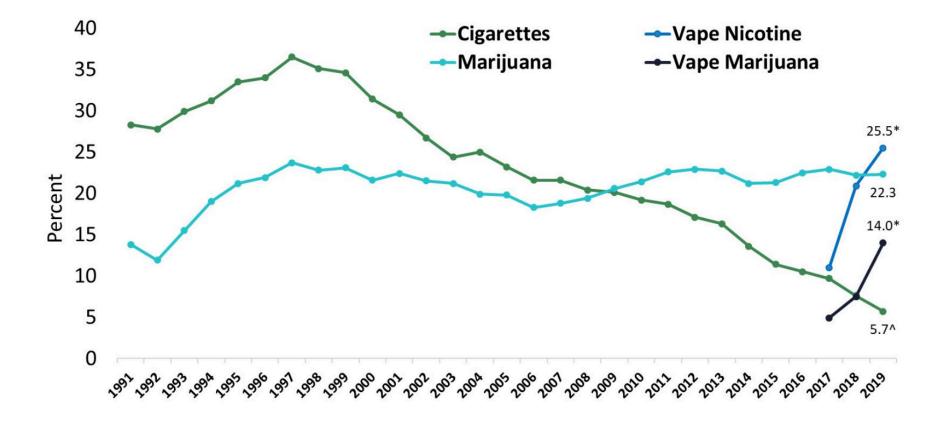


#### Prevalence of Past-month Use, 12th Grade



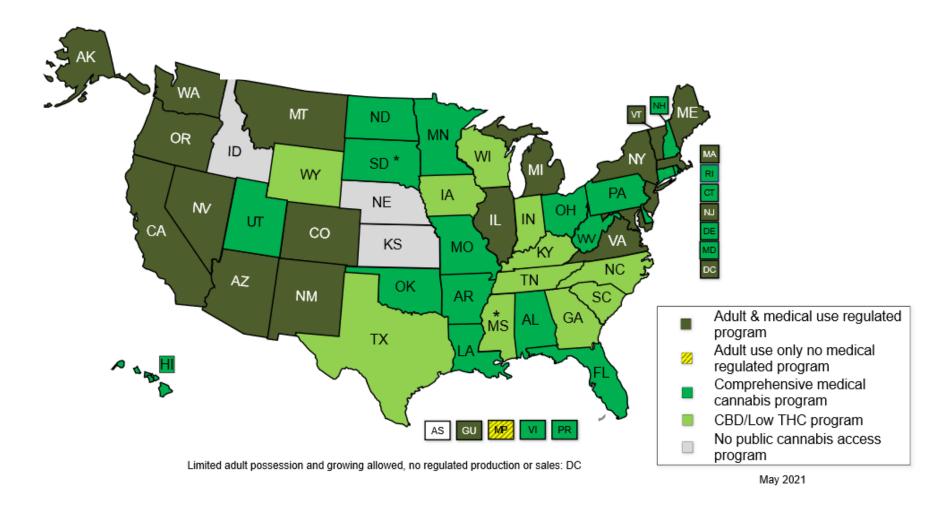
Monitoring the Future Survey, 2019

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#### State Regulated Cannabis Programs



\*2020 measures in Mississippi for medical-use and South Dakota for adult-use were overturned in 2021.

Source: https://www.ncsl.org/research/health/state-medical-marijuana-laws.aspx

# Future Challenges, cont.

- Ramp Up Cannabis Research:
  - Expand cancer center supplements in FY22
  - Concept development by Trans-NCI workgroup
  - Continue and enhance trans-NIH and interagency collaborations



# FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

#### New Initiatives Awarded in FY21

- CISNET Incubator for New Cancer Sites
- New Cohorts for Environmental Exposures and Cancer Risk
- Utilizing Cohort Studies to Address Health Outcomes in Cancer Survivors
- Research to Reduce Morbidity and Improve Care for Pediatric and AYA Cancer Survivors
- Improving the Reach and Quality of Cancer in Rural Populations
- Improving Smoking Cessation Interventions Among People Living w/HIV
- Tobacco Use and HIV in Low- and Middle-Income Countries

# **NEWS AND EVENTS**

# **DCCPS In Your Inbox**

#### **Newsletters, Listservs, and Blog**

#### Behavioral Research Program (BRP)

**BRP Listserv** – This group list receives periodic news about funding announcements, career and training opportunities, new resources, and webinars and other events.

cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brpsubscribe

**BRP Scientific Advances** – This quarterly e-newsletter provides information about funding announcements, staff updates, career and training opportunities, resources for researchers, along with grantee and staff publications and media coverage. <u>cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brpnews</u>

TUS-CPS Listserv – The Tobacco Use Supplement to the Current Population Survey (TUS-CPS) group list provides periodic updates about new data, resources, and training opportunities for researchers interested in using the TUS-CPS. cancercontrol.cancer.gov/tus-cps

#### Epidemiology and Genomics Research Program (EGRP)

EGRP Cancer Epidemiology News – This monthly e-newsletter provides information regarding funding opportunities related to cancer epidemiology, grantsmanship issues, research resources, and other relevant news. epi.grants.cancer.gov/news

#### **Implementation Science (IS)**

The monthly IS update features a letter from the director, a topical blog, funding announcements, IS resources and tools, publications, and upcoming team activities of note. Subscribers also receive first access to dissemination and implementation webinars and training registration opportunities. <u>cancercontrol.cancer.gov/is</u>

**Cancer Control P.L.A.N.E.T.** – The bimonthly e-newsletter provides cancer control planners, program staff, and researchers with updates on the web-based cancer control resources, upcoming events, and more.

#### Healthcare Delivery Research Program (HDRP)

HDRP E-News – This email listserv is used to provide updates about HDRP funding, resources, news, and events. Subscribe using the link on healthcaredelivery.cancer.gov.

#### Surveillance Research Program (SRP)

Annual Newsletter – SRP releases an annual newsletter to give an overview of recent reports, initiatives, organizational updates, grants activities, and publications. surveillance.cancer.gov/newsletters

**Blog** – Toward Precision Cancer Surveillance highlights research initiatives and major collaborations that expand the utility of SEER data for surveillance research. <u>surveillance.cancer.gov/blog/home-page</u>

#### **Social Media**

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**@NCICancerCtrl** – Offers links to cancer control information that bridges public health research, practice, and policy.

@NCIBehaviors - Behavioral health news and information from NCI.

**@NCICancerStats** – Cancer statistics from NCI.

**@NCICareDelivRes** – Health care delivery research-related news and information from NCI.

**@NCIHINTS** – NCI's Health Information National Trends Survey (<u>hints.cancer.gov</u>) is a national survey uniquely dedicated to learning how people find, use, and understand health information.

**@NCI\_ImpISci** – Dissemination and implementation research news and resources from NCI.

**@SmokefreeUS** – SmokefreeUS is intended to help you or someone you care about quit smoking with tips and support to be free of tobacco.

# **September 2021:** Final report under Croyle era

# October 2021: Welcome Katrina Goddard



