

**Pancreatic Cancer Working Group  
of the  
Clinical Trials and Translational Research Advisory Committee (CTAC)**

**Function Statement**

The purpose of the Working Group is to develop strategies and recommendations that will advise the CTAC and the NCI Director on ways to reduce the incidence and mortality rates of pancreas cancer.

The goals include:

- Developing strategies to increase the extent of collaboration between centers studying pancreatic cancer. This may include:
  - Increasing tissue acquisition in association with high-quality clinical data to facilitate greater genetic and biochemical characterization of this disease;
  - Assessing recent progress in the field;
  - Scanning the horizon for future developments in medical science.
- Developing recommendations to capitalize on new investment opportunities.
- Provide advice on the NCI plan to implement the recommendations.