

Lurie Cancer Center COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT UPDATES



Lurie Cancer Center Hispanic Breast Cancer Clinic is Open!

September 1st marked the official opening of the [Lurie Cancer Center Hispanic Breast Cancer Clinic at Northwestern Memorial Hospital](#), created to address the need of our Spanish-speaking patients. Led by Dr. Claudia Tellez our clinic offers personalized care from a multidisciplinary team, including nurses, medical assistants, a social worker and administrative staff who all speak Spanish. Our goal is to ensure that patients and their families have the information, educational materials, and resources for the best possible outcomes. A research assistant will be available to help identify treatment options that may be available through clinical trials. The clinic, located on the 4th floor of Northwestern's Prentice Women's Hospital, is open Fridays, from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call our Spanish-speaking patient liaison at 312-472-0805.



Collaborative Art Project

Fortunehouse Art Gallery and Lurie Cancer Center partnered for a Collaborative Art project. Adolescent and young adult cancer patients, survivors, and advocates were invited to express themselves using artistic expression as therapy. The instructor led collaborative art project featured a grounding and visualization session, storytelling, and an opportunity to build community and introduce art therapy as a tool to self-support. Art created during this two-day activation was featured during the September Bronzeville Summer Nights Exhibition.

Upcoming Events

CHICAGO CHEC 8TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY FORUM

September 29, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Arturo Velasquez Institute, 2800 S
Western Ave, Chicago, IL

[Register here](#)

ELLAS WALK-A-THON

October 1, 2023

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Harrison Park, 19th Street and
Wolcott, Chicago, IL

[Register here](#)

MOLA LATINX HEALTH SYMPOSIUM 2023

October 13 & 14, 2023

Rush University, 600 S. Paulina
Street, Chicago, IL

[Register here](#)

SISTERS WORKING IT OUT DAY OF BEAUTY

November 11, 2023

Location TBD

[Register here](#)



Fiesta del Sol
ChicagoCHEC (Chicago Cancer Health Equity Collaborative) once again participated in Fiesta del Sol. Fiesta del Sol is the largest Latino festival highlighting culture, food, and music in the Pilsen neighborhood. Staff

engaged with community members to discuss their work in advancing cancer health equity and provide cancer prevention and educational resources.



002 District National Night Out at Taylor Park

Lurie Cancer Center partnered with 002 Police District National Night Out Community Health Fair at Taylor Park on August 1st. Chicago Park District sharing education and resources on cancer prevention and screening materials.



Black Women's Expo
Lurie Cancer Center participated in the 28th Annual Black Women's Expo at McCormick Place Chicago designed to share ideas and information on relevant issues that affect Black Women and their families. The day provided opportunities for the community to connect with Northwestern Medicine and Lurie Cancer Center, learn about the new outpatient site in Bronzeville, participate in a research project conducted by our Center for Health Equity and Transformation (CHET)

focused on heavy metals in Chicago neighborhoods and receive education and resources on cancer prevention, screenings, diet, and physical activities recommendations.



Apostolic Church of God Community Health and Resource Fair

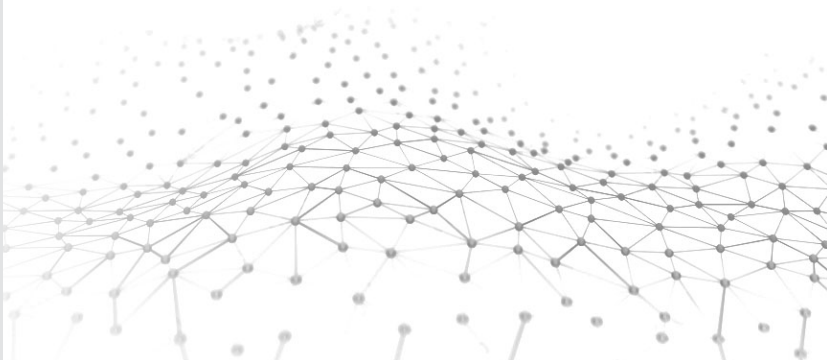
Lurie Cancer Center participated in the Apostolic Church of God Community Health and Resource Fair Saturday, August 5, 2023. The event featured health screenings, back to school immunizations and health talks. Over 20 other health and wellness organizations participated and Lurie Cancer Center distributed sunscreen, tailored skin cancer prevention education resources, and other cancer prevention materials. Our community partner, SkinIO conducted onsite skin cancer screenings to over 20 attendees.



The Latino Family Wellness & Health Equity Fiesta Tour

The Latino Family Wellness & Health Equity Fiesta Tour at the Instituto Del Progreso Latino was curated to offer free or low costs health services such as screenings, consultations, and resources to the medically underserved Latinx population. A panel featured our very own, Drs.

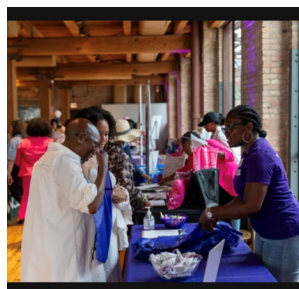
Claudia Tellez and Gladys Rodriguez who spoke about the Lurie Cancer Center Hispanic Breast Cancer Clinic and colorectal cancer screening.





Tigerlily Foundation “We Will Overcome” Town Hall

The Tigerlily Foundation “We Will Overcome” town hall in the beautiful Bridgeport Art Center’s Sculpture Garden on Chicago’s southside featured our own Tarneka Manning as part of panel discussing Community Engagement and Health Equity alongside Dr. Paris Thomas from Equal Hope, Dr. Yamile Molina from UI Health Cancer Center, and Tigerlily advocate and breast cancer survivor, Lisa Weems. Claudia Tellez, MD, joined the panel to discuss triple negative breast cancer, clinical trials, and genetic testing. Lurie Cancer Center shared breast cancer educational materials, including information about our new Hispanic Breast Cancer Clinic at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, in our purple collapsible SWAG bags, which was a hit among the attendees.



Kelly Hall YMCA Back to School Block Party

Lurie Cancer Center participated in the Kelly Hall YMCA Back to School Block Party for the second year in a row. The event served hundreds of families in the Humboldt Park neighborhood, providing HPV vaccination and cancer screening educational materials in Spanish.

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Lab Social

Lurie Cancer Center partnered with Michael “Muffy” Collins of Run from Prostate Cancer for our first Lab Social here at Northwestern in the Olson Pavilion. The Lab Social offered men a tour of Dr. Adam Murphy’s lab and a space to learn more about prostate health. The event also included a presentation about clinical trials by our Sr. Research Coordinator, Jorge Heneche, and a Lunch and Learn with Dr. Murphy to learn more about how community input impacts science.



Community Back2School Bash, Health, and Resource Fair

Lurie Cancer Center supported our community partners, Sister’s Working it Out and Timothy Community Corporation, for a Back2School Bash, health, and resource fair. The fair

featured a DJ, food, family activities, school supply-filled book bags and other giveaways designed to elevate people’s everyday health and wellness. Dr. Adam Murphy and his team conducted PSA screenings for prostate cancer alongside a host of other health institutions and community organizations. In addition, our community partner, Common Threads, provided recipes for the food boxes that were distributed to the attendees.

Colorectal Cancer Ambassador Training

Lurie Cancer Center partnered with Malcolm X Community College and The Blue Hat Foundation to offer students an opportunity to receive field experience and earn hours as community health workers. 24 students were recruited to become colorectal cancer ambassadors. Upon completion of an online training course, they will be equipped to accompany The Blue Hat Foundation at community outreach and engagement programming events across Chicago.





7th Annual Run from Prostate Cancer Awareness Weekend

Our community partner in the Woodlawn neighborhood, Michael “Muffy” Collins, hosted the 7th Annual Run from Prostate Cancer Awareness Weekend at the Southside YMCA. The event began with Lurie Cancer Center’s Dr. Adam Murphy and his team conducting PSA screenings. Dr. Murphy also participated in a panel discussion about prostate cancer screening, prevention, and treatment. The weekend ended at the Southside YMCA field with hundreds of community members taking part in the 5k walk/run. The goal for the weekend was to raise awareness and educate the community about prostate cancer, increase screening rates among black and brown men, and encourage healthier eating habits and physical activities that are known to reduce the risks of cancer.



Lurie Cancer Center has a long-standing history of commitment to advocacy, education, outreach and engagement. Our community partnerships and programs aim to identify and address barriers to cancer health equity and improve outcomes in traditionally underserved neighborhoods. Working together with new and existing organizations in our communities, our efforts include:

- Expanding awareness and improving access to cancer services, treatment and clinical trials
- Providing up-to-date information and community-based screening programs to reduce cancer risk and increase early detection
- Identifying the social and economic challenges in underserved neighborhoods to guide our efforts
- Developing educational resources to improve health literacy and raise awareness about follow-up and survivorship care
- Advocating for public policy changes to ease the burden of cancer
- Supporting healthy lifestyle changes to reduce cancer risk

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SAVE THE DATE
LURIE CANCER CENTER COMMUNITY
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
October 30, 2023, 11:00 a.m