

PCAP Mission

The Prostate Cancer Advocacy Program (PCAP) at the Karmanos Cancer Institute in conjunction with Wayne State University is dedicated to the prevention and cure of prostate cancer. Our goal is to develop and promote a formal means for active patient advocacy; to facilitate prostate cancer clinical trials awareness and accrual throughout local and state communities; and finally to provide a forum for prostate cancer education with regards to the state of prostate cancer prevention, screening, treatment, research, clinical trials, and survivorship.

PCAP Membership

- Under leadership of Dr. Elisabeth Heath, Director Prostate Cancer Research.
- 25 community members, survivors and caregivers.
- Clinicians: Oncologist, social work, internal medicine
- Researchers: epidemiologist, basic scientist
- Patient education nurses and coordinators





Prostate Cancer Symposium

- **7th Annual Prostate Cancer**
- Over 300 attendees
- Advances in prostate cancer research
- Promotion of clinical trials
- Advocacy on the community, state and national level
- by prostate cancer including friends



Karmanos Cancer Institute Prostate Cancer Advocacy Program

Presenter: Mr. Frank Fields, Patient Advocate

Symposium and National Summit

Survivorship for all those affected patients, families, partners and

Personal goals

Promote and normalize full family involvement in Prostate Cancer Survivorship at every stage of care and treatment, with particular emphasis on continued follow up post treatment. The key to long term success is the joint involvement of survivor-patient, family-spouse, significant other, children, siblings and friends with an engaged medical community that can build on success and trust. Involving men of the family in patient care, treatment and screening knowledge is crucial to protecting the next generation from Prostate Cancer. I feel PCAP helps me meet this goal.







Advocacy Events

- May 2017 ACS Day at the Capitol discussion of Tobacco Tax, Oral **Chemotherapy Parity and** development of a task force for Palliative Care Research and Implementation
- July 2017 Harley Day Men's Health Event hosted at Wolverine Harley Davidson Educate public on Lung, Prostate, Colorectal, Heart, and Breast health
- August 2017 100 Black Men of Detroit, Inc. Man up For Better Health Event
- September 2017 Prostate Cancer Symposium and National Summit
- Participation in community health fairs and events

Scientist-Advocate Partnership Research training program Review lay abstracts for DOD grant submissions and provide feedback

- to scientists
- advocate members
- patients
- Review patient materials



Future Directions

- Continued community outreach which includes seeking novel approaches to connect with populations most at risk
- Collaboration with National Advocacy Groups
- projects

Five research groups, each with two Advocates provide input on the impact of research projects on

(brochures, consent forms, etc.)

Continued lay abstract review Participation in current research