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Mission:

Working together to reduce the incidence and impact of cancer for all North Dakotans.

Vision:

A cancer-free future for North Dakota.

The Comprehensive Cancer Prevention and Control Program works with the North Dakota Cancer Coalition, stakeholders and partners to reduce the incidence of cancer, create a coordinated statewide cancer plan and assemble available resources to carry out the plan.



"Every year in my birth month, I have always gone in for a full physical, so when *Women's Way* came along, I signed up and have been with them ever since."
-Monica Nagel, New Town, N.D.



"Cancer is a scary situation. One thing is for sure, if I knew how the several years of smoking would affect me and my family, I would never would have picked up my first cigar."
-Verle Marsaa, Tappen, N.D.
Lip and Skin Cancer Survivor



Women's Way works to reduce mortality from breast and cervical cancer by increasing education and screening among low-income, medically underserved, high-risk and minority women. *Women's Way* has provided services since September 1997 and over 15,000 eligible women have benefited from this program.



Mission: Measure and report behaviors, risk factors and practices that lead to disease, disability and premature death.

Vision: Improved health for North Dakotans resulting from informed health policies and interventions.

Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) – The BRFSS is an ongoing state-based telephone health survey that annually collects information on health conditions, behaviors, preventive practices, and access to health care. BRFSS data are used to identify emerging health problems, establish health objectives and track their progress, and develop and evaluate public health policies and programs to address identified problems.



The North Dakota Statewide Cancer Registry (NDSCR) - is located on the campus of the University of North Dakota – Grand Forks and housed within the Department of Pathology in the School of Medicine and Health Sciences. The purpose of the NDSCR, established in 1997, is to collect cancer incidence, survival and mortality data to monitor cancer trends, promote research, increase survival, develop cancer education, guide policy planning for cancer prevention and screening programs and respond to cancer concerns from patients or the public. The NDSCR is a collaborative partnership between the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) and the University of North Dakota. Data provided by NDSCR is used to guide decisions for the NDDoH cancer programs.



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