

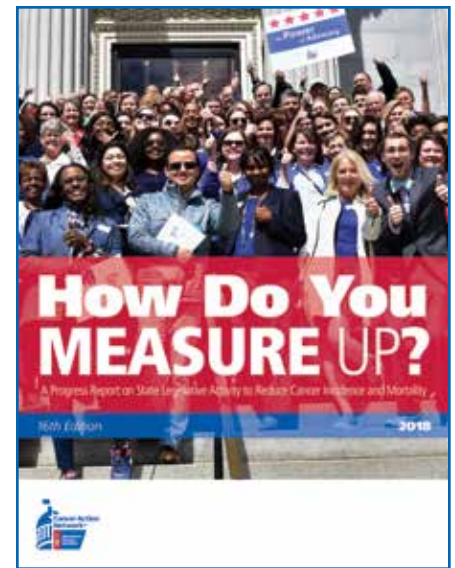
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How Does Your State Measure Up?

The 16th edition of How Do You Measure Up?, along with this one-page summary, illustrates how your state stands on issues that play a critical role in reducing cancer incidence and death. The goal of every state should be to achieve “green” in each policy area delineated in the report. By implementing the solutions set forth in the report, state legislators have a unique opportunity to save lives, save money and fight back against cancer. How does your state measure up?

To read this report online, please go to: www.acscan.org/measure

Number of Areas that Met Green Benchmarks: 1 of 9



Performance Area

- G** Green represents a state has adopted evidence-based policies and best practices
- Y** Yellow indicates moderate movement toward the benchmark
- R** Red shows where states are falling short

Access to Care

State Decisions on Increasing Access to Health Care Through Medicaid Up to 138% FPL

- R** Governor/legislature opposed to improving access to health care coverage through Medicaid

State Appropriations for Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program - Fiscal Year 2017-2018

- G** State appropriation is equal to or greater than 33% of CDC funding

Quality of Life

Establishing a Palliative Statewide Expert Advisory Council

- Y** Formally introduced ACS CAN model legislation, but not yet passed and signed into law

2018 Pain Policy in the States

- Y** 50%-80% match to model policy

Prevention

2018 State Cigarette Excise Tax Rates, \$1.339 per pack

- Y** Between \$0.88 and \$1.75 per pack (the national average)

Smoke-free Legislation at the State Level

- Y** Smoke-free in workplaces and restaurants

Fiscal Year 2018 State Funding for Tobacco Control, \$68.6 million annually – 35.3% of CDC recommended spending

- Y** 25-49.9% of the CDC recommended funding level

Medicaid Coverage of Tobacco Cessation Treatments (Traditional Medicaid)

- R** No type of counseling (individual, group, or phone) or no FDA-approved tobacco cessation medication covered for all enrollees

State Laws Prohibiting Minors from Using Tanning Devices

- R** Law allows for parental accompaniment under the age of 14 and parental consent between 14 and 18

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HOW DO YOU MEASURE UP?

A Progress Report on State Legislative Activity to Reduce Cancer Incidence and Mortality

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ACS CAN

ACS CAN, the nonprofit, nonpartisan advocacy affiliate of the American Cancer Society, supports evidence-based policy and legislative solutions designed to eliminate cancer as a major health problem. ACS CAN works to encourage elected officials and candidates to make cancer a top national priority. ACS CAN gives ordinary people extraordinary power to fight cancer with the training and tools they need to make their voices heard. For more information, visit www.acscan.org.

BLUEPRINT FOR LEGISLATORS

For the sixteenth year, ACS CAN has published a blueprint for state legislators on how to save more lives from cancer. Framed entirely on evidence-based policy approaches, How Do You Measure Up? provides an outline of what states can do to reduce the cancer burden and provides a snapshot of how states are progressing on critical public health measures.

HANGING IN THE BALANCE

This year's report includes a special section that will become a reoccurring feature of the How Do You Measure Up? Report. The new "Hanging in the Balance" section will shed light on a timely topic each year. This year the section details how policies aimed at combatting opioid addiction in Florida impact cancer patients and survivors' access to pain treatment. View the pain report card online: www.acscan.org/painreportcard.

ADDITIONAL SUCCESS

In 1999, the legislature created the Florida Biomedical Research Program, now known as the James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program, to award peer-reviewed competitive grants to researchers studying tobacco-related diseases. In 2006, the Bankhead-Coley Cancer Research Program was established, employing the same methodology to fund the best science in all cancers. The legislation was written to sunset in 2011, threatening the existence of both programs, but thankfully the legislature recognized their importance. In FY2018, the state awarded \$12 million to the King program and \$10 million to the Bankhead-Coley program.

CALL TO ACTION

The data in this year's edition of How Do You Measure Up? show that there is still much public policy work to be done to achieve our mission of eliminating suffering and death from cancer. It is estimated that nearly 1.7 million people in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer in 2018 and more than 600,000 people will die from the disease this year alone. ACS CAN is dedicated to ensuring that lawmakers enact state health policies that help prevent cancer and save lives.

In many cases, it costs the state little or nothing to do the right thing. In most cases, these solutions will save the state millions and perhaps billions of dollars in health care costs and increased worker productivity. If you want to learn more about ACS CAN's programs or inquire about a topic not covered in this report, please contact the ACS CAN State and Local Campaigns team at measure@cancer.org. You can also visit us online at www.acscan.org.