

## Louisiana Cancer Strategy Leadership Committee Meeting – March 23, 2018

### Summary of Meeting Decisions

#### **Participants:**

- Rebekah Gee, LDH (Co-chair)
- Augusto Ochoa, LSU School of Medicine (Co-chair)
- Pete Croughan, LDH
- Sven Davidson, LCRC
- Renea Duffin, Mary Bird Perkins
- Jonah Frohlich, Manatt
- Megan Ingraham, Manatt
- Christine Malcolm, Salt Creek Advisors
- Jennifer Malin, UnitedHealth Group
- Glenn Mills, LSU, Shreveport Cancer Center
- Steve Nelson, LSU School of Medicine
- Charlotte Parent, LCMC Health
- Emily Pirch, Ochsner Health System
- Oliver Sartor, Tulane School of Medicine
- Greg Sonnenfeld, Willis-Knighton Health System
- Todd Stevens, Mary Bird Perkins
- Paul von Ebers, Prospective Health
- Vindell Washington, BCBSLA
- Scott Wester, Our Lady of the Lake Hospital
- Donna Williams, Louisiana Cancer Prevention and Control
- Carrie Vogelsang, LDH
- Gary Wiltz, Teche Action Clinics
- Jeff Williams, Louisiana State Medical Society

#### **Interventions:**

- Meeting participants agreed that the collaborative will initially focus on one screening and one treatment intervention, including:
  - A statewide colorectal cancer screening campaign that will layer on screenings for additional cancers (e.g., breast, skin, lung, prostate, head and neck) as communities can meet the treatment demands that are expected to arise from the expanded screening; and,
  - A breast cancer treatment intervention focused on expanding adherence to NCCN and other guidelines across the state with payers incenting the utilization of these guidelines.
- Both interventions will include a component related to expanding access to genetic testing to support appropriate screening and treatment practices.

#### **Framework:**

- The proposed organizational framework, characterized by a Steering Committee supported by Clinical, Policy and Data & Reporting sub-committees and a staffed Program Director, is supported by the meeting participants.
- With the recognition that hiring the Program Director will take time, the following organizations committed to staff the next phase of work as volunteers:
  - Donna Williams will offer staff from Cancer Prevention and Control;
  - Oliver Sartor will offer staff from Tulane;
  - Charlotte Parents will offer LCMC staff; and,
  - Renea Duffin and her team from Mary Bird Perkins will support this effort.

## **Proposed Next Steps**

- LDH will convene colorectal and breast doctors, other physicians with experience developing pathways, and payers (e.g., BCBS, United) in the coming weeks as the basis of the Clinical Committee to:
  - Outline the charter of the Committee; and,
  - Build consensus around:
    - The steps and process necessary to develop, review and approve pathways;
    - An initial set of guidelines and protocols to be vetted by this Committee for breast and CRC screening and treatment; and,
    - The approach to specifying the role of testing in these practices, including how to achieve economies of scale in the implementation of testing related to colorectal and breast cancers.
- LDH will begin to organize strawman charters for the Policy and Data committee in the coming weeks.