BCCHEC Notes

October 24th, 2016

Baltimore City Health Department

In Attendance: Toni Brafa-Fooksman, James Zabora, Emilie Gilde, Rhonda Silva, Rebkha Atnafou, Lee Bone, LaVerne Perry, Rafael Guerrero-Preston, Norma Kanarek

**Agenda Items**

**Welcome and Introductions**

**Coalition Business**

* Colorectal Screening Project with Park West
  + BCHD awarded $35,000 to work with FQHC’s in Park West Community
  + The purpose of this award is to increase colorectal cancer screening rates among the age appropriate patient populations served by health centers, regardless of insurance status.
  + BCHD will work in partnership with American Cancer Society and Urban Health Institute
* Urban Health Institute will be conducting outreach for colorectal cancer on the West side as part of a new grant they were awarded
* Review of Resource Guide
  + Leukemia and Lymphoma Support Group information out of date
  + Will further review at Core Group meeting on November 18th, from 8:30-10 am

**“Precision Medicine Tools for Cancer Prevention and Control”**

Rafael Guerrero-Preston, PhD, Assistant Professor

Johns Hopkins School of Medicine

Department of Otolaryngology Research

**“Decreasing Distress and Improving Quality of Life Among Newly Diagnosed African American Cancer Patients and Their Family Members”**

James Zabora, ScD

Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center

Johns Hopkins Center to Reduce Cancer Disparities

Director, Community Outreach & Education

**Partner Updates**

* Rebkha Atnafou with the Urban Health Institute is looking to recruit survivors of colorectal cancer to complete a survey. Participants will be compensated.
* Check out the Urban Health Institute’s new PSA at <https://youtu.be/HeA7KgSQRtA>
* The core group will be meeting November 18th 8:30-10:00 am at Baltimore City Cancer Program @ UMGCC (4538 Edmondson Ave., Baltimore, Maryland  21229) to plan for upcoming meetings, review potential funding opportunities for the coalition, and finalize the resource guide.
* The next coalition wide meeting will be in January 2017 – date/time/location TBD.