



# Comprehensive Cancer Control Collaborative of North Carolina (4CNC)



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# 4CNC Aims

- Engage health care and community partners and build their capacity to adopt, implement, and scale-up evidence-based cancer prevention and control interventions
- Lead and participate in **cross-center projects**
- Conduct community-engaged intervention and implementation research to prevent and control cancer in NC populations that are vulnerable due to their race/ethnicity, socioeconomic status, or rural residence



# PharmFIT Aims & Activities

4CNC's Core Project



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# Rationale & Purpose

Rural populations have lower rates of colorectal cancer (CRC) screening and less access to health services than their urban and suburban counterparts.

- Rural residents often have greater access pharmacies than to primary care facilities.
- Pharmacists are highly trained medical professionals who regularly counsel patients.
- **Study Purpose:** To develop and pilot test a model for delivering FIT kits for CRC screening in pharmacy settings.



# Preliminary Work

- 12 patient interviews
- 12 primary care provider interviews
- 12 pharmacist interviews
- Additional interviews conducted in Washington (Fred Hutch)
- Coding and analyses is currently underway



## PharmFIT Aim 1: Years 1-2

Evaluate patient and pharmacist perceptions of community pharmacy-based delivery of FIT kits.

- 1. Conduct a national survey of average-risk U.S. adults eligible for CRC screening aged 50-75.
- 2. Conduct a national survey of community pharmacists.



## PharmFIT Aim 2: Year 2

Refine the programmatic features of a community pharmacy-based FIT kit distribution program.

- 1. Identify five target community pharmacies and describe their care coordination capabilities with primary care clinics, including access to electronic health record (EHR) data.
- 2. Conduct key informant interviews with pharmacy staff and primary care providers (PCP) to identify facilitators and barriers to care coordination for patients with positive (e.g. abnormal) test results.



## PharmFIT Aim 3: Years 2-4

Pilot test a FIT kit distribution program (PharmFIT) in five rural community pharmacies and assess implementation and effectiveness outcomes.

- 1. Implement a small, non-randomized test of the PharmFIT program.
- 2. Evaluate implementation outcomes associated with the PharmFIT program.



# 4CNC Member Strengths & Partnerships





#### Jennifer Leeman, DrPH, MDiv School of Nursing

- Implementation frameworks, strategies, & outcomes
- Healthy eating & physical activity

#### Alison Brenner, PhD School of Medicine

- Development & testing of patient decision aids
- Colorectal cancer screening



#### Catherine Rohweder, DrPH | HPDP (PRC)

- Community engagement & capacity building
- Colorectal cancer screening



#### Mary Wangen, MPH | HPDP (PRC)

- Project management, communications & research administration
- Qualitative methods

#### Victoria Petermann, RN, BSN | School of Nursing

- Rural-urban differences in gynecologic cancer care
  Impact of geographic factors on cancer care access
  - & outcomes

#### Sarah Birken, PhD | Health Policy & Management

- Implementation science
- Theory selection & application
- Cancer survivorship



#### Dan Reuland, MD, MPH | School of Medicine

- Health communication & decision making
- Colorectal cancer & lung cancer screening in diverse populations

#### Ben Urick, PharmD, PhD | School of Pharmacy

- Novel community pharmacy practice models
- Pharmaceutical reimbursement & pharmacy profitability

### Stephanie Wheeler, PhD, MPH | Health Policy &

- Mathematical modeling & systems thinking
- Colorectal cancer, breast cancer, financial toxicity
- Comparative & cost effectiveness research



#### Alice Ammerman, DrPH Professor, UNC Department of Nutrition

Director, HPDP



#### Kurt Ribisl, PhD

Professor and Chair, Health Behavior Program Leader, LCCC



#### Marti Wolf, RN, MPH, PCMH CCE Clinical Programs Director, NC Community Health Center Association

# 4CNC Partners & Advisors



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# **Collaboration Opportunities**



