

What is the Cancer SCN?

The Cancer Strategic Clinical Network (SCN™) brings together patients, health experts, research, and community partners from across Alberta to lead and support evidence-informed improvements in cancer prevention, treatment and care.

The Cancer SCN launched in 2012, with a mission to lead transformation and improve care across the cancer continuum in Alberta. To achieve this mission, we:

- Build a community that strategically transforms cancer care.
- Translate evidence and data to inform priorities, planning, practice, and policy.
- Enhance experiences for patients and families and improve outcomes and efficiencies across the health system.

Our Network

Our network includes stakeholders from across the province—those working in prevention, health care, research, and policy. Together, we lead and support evidence-informed improvements and bring innovation to health care.

Members include:

- Patients and families from across Alberta
- Primary Care
- Provincial and national organizations
- Philanthropic organizations
- Community organizations
- Community health providers and programs
- Industry
- Government
- Research community
- Alberta Health Services

Members provide important insights into the work of the Cancer SCN. They help identify emerging issues, assist with priority setting, and contribute to planning and designing solutions. Members are proponents of change, bringing not only a wide range of expertise and experience, but also voices of, and access to, broader communities that can be mobilized as required to advance innovation and health system improvements.



Examples of Key Work

Alberta Cancer Diagnosis Program

Today, there is no provincial diagnosis program to help coordinate and accelerate cancer diagnosis. Working with patients, families, communities and Primary Care, the CSCN is co-designing an Alberta Cancer Diagnosis Program. [Learn more](#)

Future of Cancer Impact Alberta Report

Designed as a resource to stimulate discussion about the evolution of cancer care amongst a broad range of stakeholders, this comprehensive report provides updated projections of numbers of cancer cases and deaths to 2040, an overview of cancer-related supports and services in Alberta, and insights into topics pertaining to models of care and health equity.

[Learn more](#)

To find out more about the Cancer SCN, how to get involved, and current projects and priorities, visit www.ahs.ca/cancerscn.