

NBCRT Leadership Announcement

We are excited to share that Melissa Thomas, PhD, has joined the American Cancer Society National Breast Cancer Roundtable (ACS NBCRT) as strategic director.

Dr. Thomas brings more than 25 years of experience to ACS leading health disparities research and program initiatives, almost exclusively on breast cancer with a community-led and volunteer-engaged focus. During her tenure, she developed and led Project Hoffnung (Hope), a culturally competent breast health program to increase breast cancer screening among Amish and Mennonite communities. Most recently, she served as project director for the Ohio Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection program. She is also an assistant professor at Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine where she leads research projects on breast cancer education and health disparities in underserved communities, including rural, Appalachian, and LGBTQ+ communities.



Dr. Thomas is eager to get started in this role and looks forward to meeting with you soon. She is a passionate advocate for diminishing breast cancer disparities and will use her skills to move our work forward.

Membership Meeting Update

We had previously shared in our newsletter that we were planning for a September in-person meeting. We are no longer planning to host a September in-person annual meeting and we will instead be hosting two **Virtual Membership Engagement Forums** in November.

This adjustment will allow our ACS NBCRT team a chance to further develop current project plans and products for the roundtable, better engage our roundtable members, and deliver more robust content to you all, our esteemed Membership.

This is a members-only meeting and the invite is not transferrable. Please use the link below to **REGISTER** for November meetings (dates below), and agendas will be forthcoming.

- November 4, 1-3pm EST
- November 13, 2-4pm EST

[Register Here](#)

Patient Navigation Survey

Calling all patient navigators, clinicians, health system administrators, and beyond — your perspective is crucial! The American Cancer Society National Navigation Roundtable invites you to participate in a survey to share your experiences with the new CMS/PIN & AMA/CPT billing codes to support patient navigation services.

- Take this quick survey to help improve these codes. Institutions should coordinate for a single response. Please share this link widely with other patient navigation programs!
- The deadline to submit feedback is August 6, 2024.

Take the Survey



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