



An Important Message Regarding PAC³

After more than 5 years of supporting the comprehensive cancer control efforts of PAC³ members, **the PAC³ Coordinating Office will close on April 30, 2010.** This difficult decision was recently made by the PAC³ Board of Directors in response to the economic climate that has challenged PAC³ and other organizations during the past 18 months.

PAC³, as an organization, will continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The Board of Directors is committed to continuing the key communications and initiatives of the organization to further comprehensive cancer control efforts. Both Board members and some of their respective organizations have volunteered to take leadership of key initiatives during this transitional period.

- Fox Chase Cancer Center will manage PAC³ communications, including the website and the newsletter (PAC³ Portal). The contact person will be Linda Fleisher (215-728-3690 | linda.fleisher@fccc.edu). The PAC³ Portal will return with a new issue next week.
- Kimmel Cancer Center will provide leadership in continuing to develop strategic initiatives. The contact person will be Dr. Ronald Myers (215-503-4085 | ronald.myers@jefferson.edu).
- Northeast Regional Cancer Institute will endeavor to continue PAC³ networking through periodic conference calls and/or meetings, as necessary or appropriate. The contact person will be Robert Durkin (570-941-7984 | durkinr2@scranton.edu).
- The Pennsylvania Cancer Resource Database, online at www.resources.pac3.org, is in need of an organization with an interest in housing and continuing promotion of this program. Please contact the PAC³ Coordinating Office at pac3@upmc.edu or 412-623-0033 if you are interested in this opportunity.

The PAC³ Board of Directors will continue to provide leadership for the organization and seeks your ongoing support and participation in implementing the goals and objectives of the Pennsylvania Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan. We appreciate the commitment that each of you has made to PAC³, and we hope that, together, we can continue to work toward achieving our vision of a world without death and suffering from cancer. We

welcome your ideas and suggestions as we strive to develop a new way to coordinate collaborative cancer control efforts in Pennsylvania.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact members of the PAC³ Executive Committee, whose contact information is below.

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The Board of Directors also would like to express our sincere thanks to the current PAC³ staff – Kathy Stadler and Mark Byrne – who have done so much over the years to promote the mission and agenda of comprehensive cancer control across the Commonwealth.