Who are we?
Cancer Health Equity Collaborative (CHEC) a collaborative between stakeholders in the fight against cancer that work together in impacting the cancer continuum.

Our mission is to improve access to cancer prevention, early detection, treatment, survivorship support and services throughout San Diego and Imperial Counties, with an emphasis on underserved and uninsured communities, through collaborative partnerships.

Welcome to Cynthia Knapp, our 2022 CHEC Community Co-Chair!

Cynthia's professional background is centered on service. In her current role, Cynthia serves as the Project Director for a state funded tobacco control and prevention program with SAY San Diego. Her background is in coaching, Motivational Interviewing, food security and resource development. She holds a Masters in Public Health, a certificate in Nonprofit Management, and has authored 4 guided journals. Cynthia is a native San Diegan and enjoys camping, tacos, and playing with her three kids.
Looking Ahead: 2022 Activities

- Engaging community organizations on the importance of clinical trials
- Networking opportunities between cancer stakeholder organizations
- Continued sharing of cancer patient and survivor community resources
- 2022 Meeting Dates: March 24, June 23, September 22, December 8

2021 CHEC Highlights

- Formation of "Advocacy in Action" Sub-group and special presentation on June 3rd featuring Councilmember Monica Montgomery-Steppe (District 4)
- Clinical Trial Accrual in African Americans by Angelique Richardson, MD (UC San Diego Health)
- Program Spotlights by SAY San Diego, Cancer Legal Resource Center, Cancer Resource Center of the Desert, American Cancer Society, Office of Assemblymember Akilah Weber, and Oncology and Kids

2021 Active Members

- Aetna
- Alliance Healthcare Foundation
- American Cancer Society
- American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
- American Lung Association
- Be Well Therapy Inc
- Borrego Health
- California Proton Cancer Therapy Center
- Cancer Legal Resource Center
- Cancer Resource Center of the Desert
- Champions for Health
- Curebound
- Every Woman Counts, California Health Collaborative
- Office of Assemblymember Akilah Weber
- Office of Congressman Scott Peters
- Office of Congressman Mike Levin
- Office of Congresswoman Sara Jacobs
- Office of Binational Border Health
- Oncology and Kids
- Palomar Health
- Pfizer Oncology
- Pink Crescent
- SAY San Diego
- Scripps MD Anderson Cancer Center
- SDSU Institute for Public Health
- Susan G. Komen San Diego
- The Clearity Foundation
- The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
- Tigerlily Foundation
- UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center
- UCSD/HHSA - San Diego Immunization Program
- Vista Community Clinic

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