



Terms of Reference

The Global Cancer Coalitions Network (GCCN) is an informal, non-legal entity, comprised of patient-driven global cancer coalitions and alliances. The GCCN initially came together to respond to the impact of COVID-19 on member organizations however its members are committed to continue to work together as a Network to:

- Respond to urgent issues (like COVID-19)
- Respond to ongoing, shared issues and challenges that impact on the GCCN as well as their respective patient advocacy organization members
- Identify emerging common issues and challenges
- Raise awareness of the value and contribution of cancer patient advocacy
- Raise awareness of the value and contribution of global cancer coalitions and alliances
- Provide mutual support within the Network by sharing information and expertise
- Encourage individual members to connect and work together outside the core Network where and when they have common interests or issues that do not affect all members of the GCCN (peer support)

What the GCCN does

The Global Cancer Coalitions Network seeks to undertake activities that align with the objectives above. This will include:

- Formally and informally facilitating information exchange and sharing of expertise, for example:
 - By hosting open events on specific topics and issues
 - Through discussion at regular GCCN meetings
- Identify common emerging issues that impact the GCCN and its member organizations
- Collecting evidence through surveys and other means that measures the impact of new, emerging, and urgent issues (such as COVID-19) on our cancer patient communities

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- Develop public facing position statements and reports on issues that affect GCCN members and their respective patient advocacy members
- Promote awareness of the issue facing the global patient advocacy organizations through submissions of articles, abstracts, and posters, and presenting at conferences and meeting in addition to other means

Our Membership

Members of the GCCN are global cancer coalitions and alliances who have demonstrated the following criteria:

- They have a global patient advocacy remit
- Their members/partner organizations reflect a global perspective or there is a commitment to extending their member/partner organization base to achieve global representation
- Experience working collaboratively at an international level
- Willing to contribute to the Network at senior leadership level from within their organization

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