



## NEWS RELEASE

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## Summit launches new Alabama Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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The Alabama Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition is hosting the first Alabama Cancer Control Summit on June 17 in Montgomery. This event serves as the official release of the 2006 - 2010 Alabama Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan.

The 2006- 2010 Alabama Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan is divided into the following sections that address topics that are relevant to cancer control in Alabama:

- Prevention, including tobacco, nutrition and physical activity, and ultraviolet light
- Early detection, including breast, cervical, colorectal, and prostate cancers
- Survivorship, including treatment and care, follow-up care, and end-of-life care for cancer patients and survivors
- Environmental, medical and occupational exposure
- Surveillance
- Research

The plan is comprehensive and covers all aspects of cancer in Alabama. An emphasis has been placed on those who suffer the greatest burden of cancer morbidity and mortality - rural, minority, and medically underserved Alabamians.

Physicians, nurses, other health care professionals, community leaders, business leaders, researchers and cancer advocates who are interested in implementing the Alabama Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan are encouraged to contact Haley Justice at (334) 206-7066 for more information. A copy of the plan is available at the Alabama Department of Public Health Web site at <http://www.adph.org/ADMINISTRATION/accccp.pdf>.

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## **TAPE FEED & WEBCAST FOR ALABAMA CANCER SUMMIT**

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Taped comments from speakers will include remarks by:  
Dr. Donald Williamson, State Health Officer  
Gov. Bob Riley

The Alabama Department of Public Health will uplink this taped briefing for your free and unrestricted use. Satellite coordinates are listed as follows:

### **Satellite Transmission Information: Friday, June 17**

Ku Band Only Orbital Location: 74 degrees West

Satellite: SBS 6 Downlink Frequency: 11921 MHz

Transponder: 9 Audio: 6.2 - 6.8

Polarity: Horizontal

Tech support for satellite downlink: 800-811-6047 (approx. 1:30-1:35 p.m. central).

Satellite set-up time is from 1:30-1:35 p.m. Central time

### **Internet WebCast Information: Friday, June 17**

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