

ARKANSAS CENTRAL CANCER REGISTRY

March 2024 Monthly Newsletter



MEET THE ARKANSAS CENTRAL CANCER REGISTRY (ACCR) TEAM!



LINDSAY COLLINS, MPA
ACCR Director

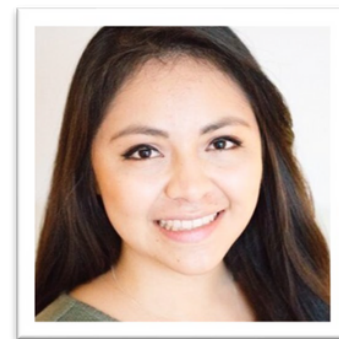
Lindsay is the ACCR Director at the Arkansas Department of Health. She is a native Arkansan and has served the public for 11 years in various government roles working in Medicaid and health plan compliance, behavioral health, and the supervision of parolees and sex offenders. Her work in healthcare program and grant management led her to the cancer community where she directs ACCR operations and has successfully obtained funding through new grant opportunities. She began her position as ACCR Director in January 2022.

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DANIELA RAMIREZ AGUILAR, MPH
Cancer Surveillance Manager

Daniela is the cancer epidemiologist/surveillance manager at ACCR. She has an MPH in epidemiology and a growing interest in data science. She has experience in population health cancer academia research, COVID-19 surveillance, oral health program, and maternal and child health partnership program. She has worked with interdisciplinary groups including community outreach programs. During her time at ACCR, Daniela has provided descriptive cancer statistic presentations for the cervical cancer task force group in AR and for AR partner events.

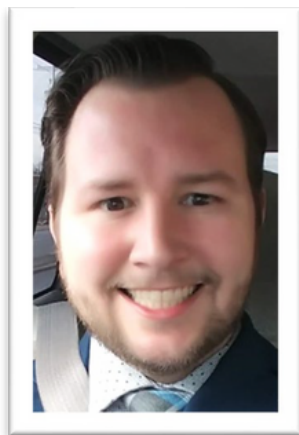
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CLINT LEMONS
Senior Software Support Analyst

Clint is the IT software support analyst. He provides support to ACCR staff, contractors, and state cancer reporters using approved cancer reporting software programs. Clint handles all data linkages, standard setter data submissions, data dictionaries, and uploads records received from state cancer reporters to ACCR's database management system, SEER*DMS.

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RULES FOR ARKANSAS CANCER CASE REPORTING

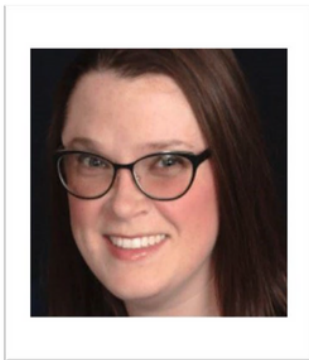
In accordance with Arkansas cancer reporting law, all licensed health care facilities and providers are required to report cancer cases to the ACCR no later than six months after the date of diagnosis of cancer and/or initial treatment of cancer.

All cancer cases that were diagnosed or began initial treatment on or before August 31, 2023, should have been reported to ACCR. If you still have cases remaining from this period, report them immediately. Cases should be reported via WebPlus.

Month	Abstract due to ACCR	Follow-up Month	Follow-up and case update due
August 2023	February 2024	August of the Year Before	September 1
September 2023	March 2024	September of the Year Before	October 1
October 2023	April 2024	October of the Year Before	November 1

MEET OUR NEW EDUCATION & TRAINING TEAM!

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MELISSA CHAPMAN, RHIT, ODS-C **ACCR Education & Training Coordinator**

Melissa will be involved in the education and training of Arkansas Cancer Reporters in 2024.

Melissa is a Quality Consultant with Registry Partners. She has several years of quality management, education, and training. Melissa works closely with other Central Registries in their education and training programs as well.

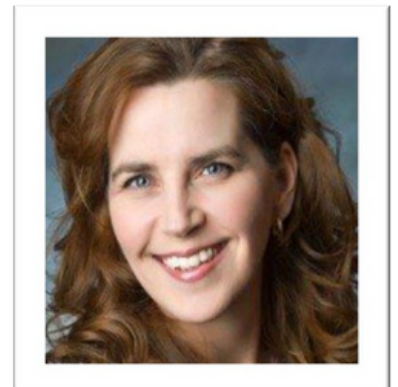
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JANET RALEIGH, RHIA, ODS-C **ACCR Education Content Manager**

Janet will be involved in the creation and presentation of the ACCR Educational Webinar Series in 2024.

Janet is also a Quality Consultant with Registry Partners. She has many years of quality management, education, and training. She currently provides ODS-C training to new and current professionals in the Cancer Registry.

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MEET OUR ODS-C AND QUALITY ASSURANCE TEAM!

ACCR has contracted with Westat, Inc. to fill the role of Quality Assurance Coordinator for the State of Arkansas. Mary Mesnard will be involved in the role of Quality Assurance Supervisor, providing oversight, and reporting to the ACCR Director. She will also work closely with the ETC to highlight areas of focused training needs based on QA findings. Vanessa McLean will serve as the QA Coordinator. Vanessa will be involved in facility audits and conducting QA activities on ACCR data. Mary and Vanessa will lead a team comprising of four additional ODS-C: Nicole Vyce, Raquel Brown, Nivia Vasquez Cubano, and Michele Whelan.



MARY MESNARD, BS, ODS-C **Quality Assurance Supervisor**

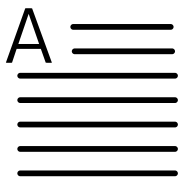
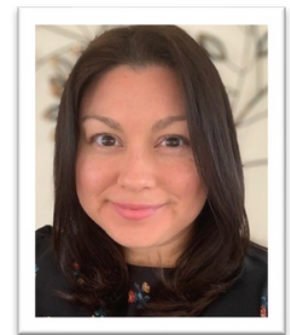
Mary will be involved in the overall QA activities and working closely with the ACCR Director to manage QA studies, monitoring data acquisition, reporting, and providing technical assistance to the reporters in Arkansas. Mary has years of experience working with central registries and conducting QA activities within the states she has managed.

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VANESSA MCLEAN, BS, ODS-C **Quality Assurance Coordinator**

Vanessa will be involved in facility audits and data quality assurance for specific disease sites. Vanessa has many years of experience performing quality control and quality assurance activities for several state central cancer registries.

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Monthly Abstractor Tip

Include detailed text with your abstracts when reporting a cancer case. Text is required by ACCR for Quality Assurance. Providing text may prevent numerous follow-back requests from ACCR to your facility for more patient information and decrease the likelihood of your facility having to re-abstract and send the case back to ACCR.



Resources for Cancer Reporters

Check out our utilities page at www.adh.cancer.arkansas.gov.



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Email ADH.ACCR@Arkansas.gov and someone from the ACCR team will contact you!

Register for the ACCR Educational Webinar Series:

A review of Class of Case, Date of 1st Contact and Follow-up

Date/Time: March 12, 2024 @ 12pm CST

Register via FLccSC: https://ars.fcdslms.med.miami.edu/ords/lmsadmin/r/f_105/login_desktop?session

Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to accurately code Class of Case, Date of 1st Contact, and patient Follow-up data items. Attendees will demonstrate understanding of these items through case examples and quizzes by utilizing resources available to assign the appropriate codes. The attendees will leave this presentation with a newfound confidence for coding these three, often challenging, data items.



Approved for 1 Category A CE

Are you planning to attend the NCRA conference April 24-27, 2024?



Our new ETC, Melissa Chapman, and QA, Mary Mesnard, will be there in person.

Stop by and say "Hello"



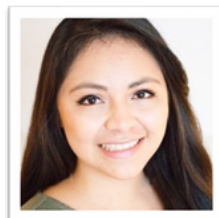
Melissa



Mary



Lindsay



Daniela

Look for ACCR Director, Lindsay Collins, and Cancer Surveillance Manager, Daniela Ramirez Aguilar who will be in attendance and have a poster presentation!

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DID YOU KNOW?

Cancer is a reportable disease in the State of Arkansas.

Section #20-15-201 of 1989 Act 435 requires health care professionals to report all cancer cases to the Arkansas Central Cancer Registry (ACCR) no later than six months after the date of diagnosis of cancer and/or initial treatment of cancer.

DO YOU DIAGNOSE AND/OR TREAT CANCER?

If the answer is yes, then you are mandated to report cancer cases to ACCR. Pathology labs, radiology labs, and other diagnostic clinics are also required to send cases to ACCR.

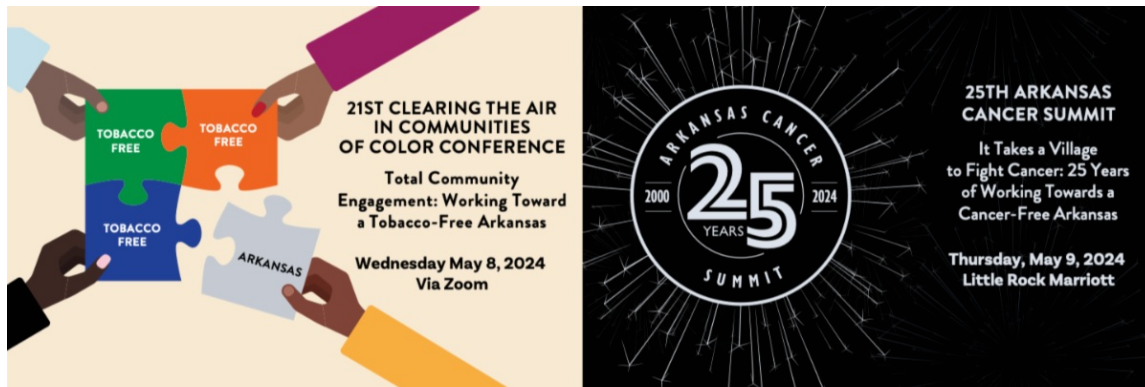
HOW DO I REPORT CANCER CASES?

Email ADH.ACCR@arkansas.gov to get setup for cancer case reporting. Additional information can be found at <https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/arkansas-cancer-registry>.



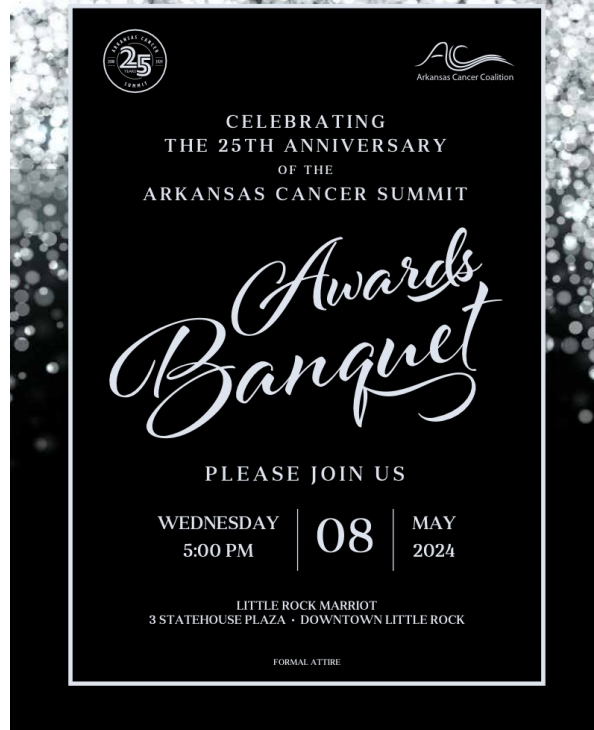


Arkansas Cancer Coalition



Your support of the Arkansas Cancer Summit is invaluable. By supporting the Summit, you have an opportunity to join in the fight against cancer. Your organization will also receive valuable exposure as you help support a worthy cause.

Sponsorship packets and Exhibitor packets, as well as registration are available by clicking the links below. To request an invoice, please contact Rachael Moore, Operations Manager, rachael.moore@arcancercoalition.org



This year we celebrate 25 years of bringing Arkansas cancer control advocates together to strategize on how to fight cancer. Wear your best formal attire and join us as we honor those who have been instrumental in pushing us forward over the past 25 years. Click below to register.

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Exhibitor Registration

Supporter Packet

Exhibitor Packet

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