

LUNGevity Statement in Support of the Comprehensive Cancer Survivorship Act

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LUNGevity Foundation applauds the introduction of the Comprehensive Cancer Survivorship Act (CCSA), a bipartisan bill that would improve care coordination and access for cancer survivors. The bill is sponsored in the House by Representatives Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL-25), Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA-1), and Mark DeSaulnier (D-CA-10); and in the Senate by Senators Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) and Ben Cardin (D-MD).

"From diagnosis to long-term survivorship, people living with cancer face many hurdles to receiving coordinated, high-quality care," said Andrea Ferris, President and CEO of LUNGevity Foundation. "We commend Reps. Wasserman Schultz, Fitzpatrick, and DeSaulnier, and Sens. Klobuchar and Cardin for their outstanding leadership and advocacy on behalf of cancer survivors. This legislation would make numerous meaningful improvements in the delivery of cancer care, and we look forward to working with these congressional champions to make this a reality."

The CCSA includes provisions that would provide coverage for patients and providers to develop personalized treatment care plans; initiate a demonstration program with grants for patient navigation services; establish a program to provide workforce assistance to cancer survivors; and create a comprehensive cancer survivorship program that would provide educational resources to both survivors and healthcare providers, among many other measures.

LUNGevity will engage its Action Network and work with partner organizations across the cancer community to support this legislation. For more information on the bill, please see the official <u>press</u> release from Rep. Wasserman Schultz and her fellow sponsors.