

Cancer Educational Wellness Series

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Robert Cook, MD, is a professor within the department of epidemiology at the University of Florida, with a joint appointment in the division of general internal medicine. Dr. Cook received his medical degree and master of public health degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. After completing a residency in internal medicine at the University of Virginia, he completed a residency in preventive medicine and a research fellowship in the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program at the University of North Carolina.

Dr. Cook's research focuses on strategies to improve health outcomes related to HIV and sexually transmitted diseases. He is the director of the Southern HIV Alcohol Research Consortium, or SHARC, which supports collaborative research and provides training related to alcohol and HIV infection across the state of Florida. Dr. Cook has led clinical trials for home screening options for STDs, pharmacotherapy for hazardous drinking, and the use of continuous monitoring to change drinking behavior.

Most recently, Dr. Cook has begun to study the effects of marijuana on HIV-related health and cognition, the systemic connections between the gut microbiome and neuro-inflammation, the use of clinical information systems to improve quality of clinical pain management, and the use of real-time monitoring to measure alcohol consumption.

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Medical Marijuana as a Treatment for Cancer and Cancer-Related Symptoms

Wednesday, July 22, 2020
1:30 to 2:30 p.m.
Free class series

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Many people with cancer are curious about medical marijuana. This one-hour presentation will discuss research and reports associated with medical marijuana as a treatment option.

There are informal reports that marijuana has helped to cure cancer or alleviate symptoms. Other personal accounts claim that it makes cancer treatment more tolerable. However, little research-based evidence exists. In an open discussion about cancer and medical marijuana, Dr. Cook will share local research, what we have learned and what we still have to learn. Questions from the audience are encouraged.

This educational class is offered to cancer patients, family members and the community to promote health and quality of life. Classes are free and now hosted online.

This month, the Cancer Educational Wellness Series presentation will be available ONLINE ONLY.
Visit UFHealth.org/cancer-educational-wellness-series, for more information and to join the class via Zoom.



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