

What You Should Know About Oral Cancer

- Oral Cancer often starts as a tiny, unnoticed white or red spot or sore anywhere in the mouth.
- It can affect any area of the oral cavity including the lips, gum tissue, check lining, tongue and the hard or soft palate.
- Other signs include:
 - A sore that bleeds easily or does not heal
 - A color change of the oral tissues
 - A lump, thickening, rough spot, crust or small eroded area
 - Pain, tenderness, or numbness anywhere in the mouth or on the lips
 - Difficulty chewing, swallowing, speaking or moving the jaw or tongue
 - A change in the way teeth fit together.
- Oral Cancer most often occurs in those who use tobacco in any form.
- Alcohol use combined with smoking greatly increases risk.
- Prolonged exposure to the sun increases the risk of lip cancer.
- More than 25% of oral cancers occur in people who do not smoke and have no other risk factors.
- There has recently been proven a direct correlation between the Human Papilloma Virus and oral cancer.
- There has been a five-fold increase in incidence in Oral Cancer patients under the age of 40.

All walkers will receive a free T-shirt when they check in or register the morning of the walk. At the completion of the walk all participants will receive a tote bag.

All registered walkers can enjoy lunch compliments of **Pizza's by Marchelloni & Subway.**

For every \$25 raised you will receive 10 RED tickets for the chinese auction. After the walk is completed we will be having a drawing for gift baskets and gift cards donated by local businesses. Additional T-shirts and Totes can be purchased the day of the walk for \$5 each. Also additional tickets can be purchased for a \$10 donation receiving 15 BLUE tickets for a chance to win the four ticket passes.

4th Annual Oral Cancer Awareness Walk May 21st, 2011

**“Join The Fight”
“Support Oral Cancer
Awareness!”**

Complimentary Lunch Provided By:
**Pizza's by Marchelloni &
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*Buhl Park, Hermitage, PA***

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**Chinese Auction Tickets
\$25 sponsorship= 10 Tickets
Additional \$10 Donation= chance to
win 4 tickets for either a Pirates
Game, Idlewild Park, Sandcastle,
Pittsburgh Zoo, Kennywood or
Waldameer!**