

OUR IMPACT

JANUARY – JUNE 2022

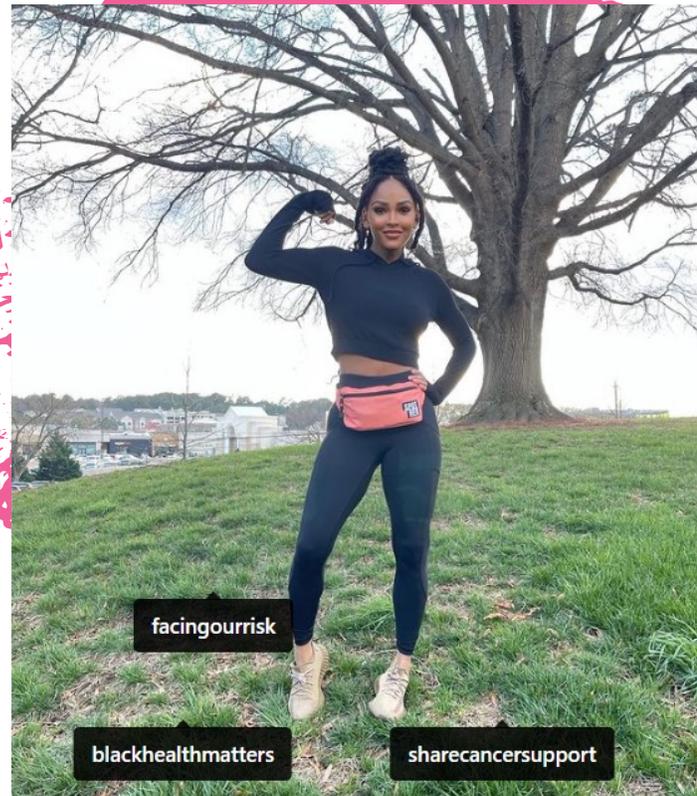
The first half of 2022 was busy as we welcomed many more individuals and families facing hereditary breast, ovarian, colorectal, endometrial, ovarian, pancreatic and prostate cancers. Our mission has always been to ensure that no one faces hereditary cancer alone, and we continue our commitment to being the single best resource for our growing community of survivors, previvors, caregivers and healthcare professionals. Read on to learn about some of our many accomplishments over the last six months made possible thanks to our generous community, healthcare partners and volunteers.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

FORCE continues to build diversity, equity and inclusion into all of our operations and programs. We recognize the impact of racial disparities on access to healthcare, cancer genetic services, screening, prevention and treatment as well as a sense of community and support. We continue to work toward closing those gaps.

OUR DEI PROGRESS:

- Our work on the SPOT HER campaign with partners Eisai, SHARE and Black Health Matters to boost awareness of endometrial cancer continued. Actress and activist Meagan Good joined the campaign as a spokesperson, elevating the conversation among diverse communities to an even greater level.
- We created an American Sign Language YouTube channel and enhanced our VolunteerFORCE Academy Training to be accessible for D/deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals interested in volunteering.
- Zoom support meetings in Spanish were initiated to address the unique needs of the Spanish-speaking hereditary cancer community.
- A dedicated information portal was developed to highlight resources, research and articles of interest related to cancer for people from the LGBTQIA+ community.



HOW TO DECIDE WHAT TO BELIEVE WHEN LOOKING FOR HEALTH INFORMATION ONLINE

TAKE THE QUIZ



EDUCATION

- We launched our Spot the BOAST initiative to help people distinguish between reliable online health information and misinformation.

SUPPORT

- Personalized support increased with the launching of seven new virtual community group meetings for Caregivers/Parents, Personas Que Hablan Espanol, People with Lynch syndrome, Previvors, Young Previvors, Survivors/Thrivers/People in Treatment and Young Survivors/Thrivers/People in Treatment. Attendees obtained precision support and connection with others just like them. We are excited to now offer 12 different community groups.
- We developed a user-friendly support meeting calendar with filters for time zones, community groups and locations to help constituents easily find support meetings that address their unique needs. Individuals can identify and connect with local volunteers in each state for additional resources and support.

RESEARCH

- Training for healthcare professionals and researchers was created to highlight health literacy challenges related to hereditary cancer research recruitment and provide tips and resources for researchers to improve organizational health literacy.

PUBLIC POLICY

- We conducted our first federal Advocacy Day recruiting 80 advocates who took part in 110 virtual meetings with members of Congress, urging support of legislation to ensure access to genetic counseling, testing, screening and preventive interventions needed by our high-risk community.
- We represented the patient community in the deliberation of a proposed law that would make sweeping changes to the way laboratory-developed tests are regulated, striving to ensure that patients have access to high-quality, safe and effective assays.

Advocacy Day



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