

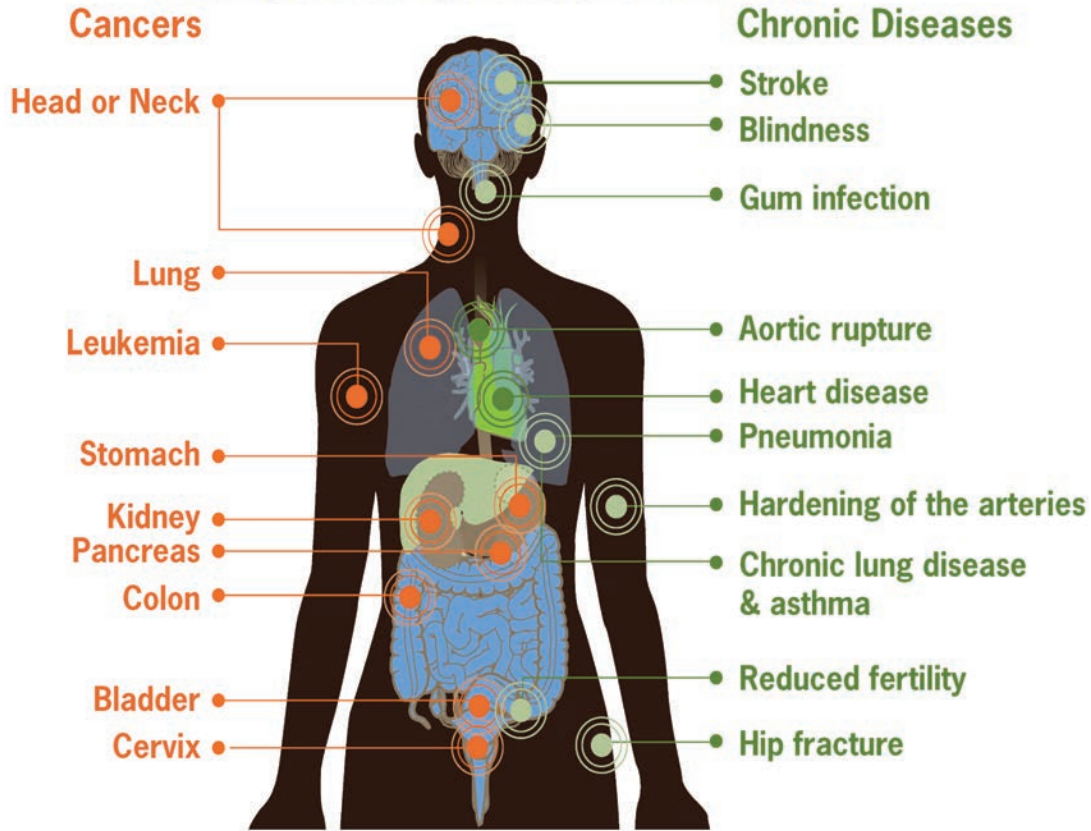


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Risks from Smoking

Smoking can damage every part of the body



Tobacco Related Cancers for the Month of May



Melanoma and Skin: Cancers: Melanoma is

a cancer that develops in melanocytes, the pigment cells present in the skin. It can be more serious than the other forms of skin cancer because of a tendency to spread to other parts of the body and cause serious illness and death. Because most melanomas occur on the skin where they can be seen, patients or their spouses are often the first to detect suspicious tumors. Caught early, most melanomas can be cured with relatively minor surgery.



Bladder Cancer: Bladder cancer is any of several types of cancer arising from the tissues of the urinary bladder. It is a disease in which cells grow abnormally and

have the potential to spread to other parts of the body. Symptoms include blood in the urine, pain with urination, and low back pain. Risk factors for bladder cancer include smoking, family history, prior radiation therapy, frequent bladder infections, and exposure to certain chemicals. The most common type is transitional cell carcinoma. Other types include squamous cell carcinoma and adenocarcinoma.

Quit line: 1-800-QUIT-NOW

Honoring Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls

In 2016 there were 5,712 cases of missing and murdered indigenous women and girls (MMIWG) reported by the National Crime Information Center, however only 116 of the cases were logged into the US Department of Justice database. In an effort to help fill some of the gaps in reporting and information the Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI) conducted a study in 2017 of urban MMIWG cases. UIHI focused on 71 urban cities across the US and identified 506 unique MMIWG cases, 128 were missing persons cases, 280 were murder cases and 98 were of unknown status. UIHI found that the median age for the victims was 29.

As part of this study 71 city police departments and 1 state agency were surveyed. Out of those, 40 agencies provided some level of data, 14 did not provide data and 18 agencies still had pending Freedom of Infor-

mation Act requests as of the end date in October 2018. UIHI also found 153 cases that had not been recorded in law enforcement records at all. In order to address some of the issues in reporting and investigating MMIWG cases in the State of Oregon, Representative Tawna Sanchez sponsored House Bill 2625 which was passed on March 13, 2019. HB2625 directs the department of State Police to conduct a study which will determine how to increase state criminal justice protective and investigative resources for reporting, identification and investigation of missing Native American women in the state of Oregon. This bill is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health and safety, and an emergency was declared at the time of passing.



May 5, 2019 is the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls
You can show your support by **WEARING RED** on May 5

The CARE Program will be hosting a Round Dance in honor of the missing and murdered
Monday, May 6th at the Siletz Rec Center: Dinner will be served at 5:30 - please **WEAR RED**