



KET call-in provides answers about colon cancer

The Commonwealth currently leads the nation in colon cancer deaths, and thousands of Kentuckians are diagnosed with the disease each year. Fortunately, colon cancer is one of the most preventable types of cancer. A panel of experts answers questions about the disease on ***Catching a Killer: Preventing Colon Cancer in Kentucky***, a live call-in program presented by KET and the Colon Cancer Prevention Project (CCPP). The program, hosted by Renee Shaw, airs Tuesday, June 16 at 9/8 p.m. CT on KET1.

The panel includes Dr. Whitney Jones, founder of the CCPP; Torrie Harris, DrPH, director of the Kentucky Office of Health Equity; Dr. Jon Hourigan, a colon and rectal surgeon and professor at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine; and Ted McCoy, a colon cancer survivor.

The guests address the importance of prevention and early detection through proper screening, the impact of colon cancer in different populations, access to proper health care and more.

The CCPP's mission is to eliminate colon cancer death and suffering by increasing screening rates through education, advocacy and health systems improvement in Kentucky and surrounding communities. More information about the organization is available at www.coloncancerpreventionproject.org or by calling (502) 290-0288.

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