

Heather Bryant, MD, PhD

Chief Scientific Officer at Canadian Partnership Against Cancer

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Dr. Heather Bryant is a cancer control leader whose expertise spans the continuum - prevention and screening to diagnosis and clinical care

Biography

Heather Bryant is the Chief Scientific Officer at the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer. She joined the Partnership in January 2008, and as Vice President, Cancer Control, she leads a portfolio of pan-Canadian cancer control programs throughout the cancer continuum, and has led in the development of cancer system performance reporting in Canada. Prior to this, she was Vice President, Population Health and Information at the Alberta Cancer Board for many years.

Dr. Bryant has chaired many national cancer and research committees and currently chairs the Pan-Canadian Lung Cancer Network. She was the inaugural chair of the Institute of Cancer Research's Advisory Board (Canadian Institutes for Health Research), the Canadian Breast Cancer Network, and the National Colorectal Cancer Screening Network. She currently serves as a Board Member for BioCanRx, a Canadian Network Centre of Excellence.

Dr. Bryant was elected to the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) Board of Directors in 2012 and has been re-elected for two subsequent terms. She co-chaired the scientific program committee for the UICC's World Cancer Congress held in Montreal, Canada in 2012 and in Melbourne, Australia in 2014. She is also the chair of the International Cancer Benchmarking Program, an international comparison of cancer survival and its antecedents carried out by Cancer Research UK.

Dr. Bryant studied medicine at the University of Calgary followed by a fellowship in community medicine and a PhD in epidemiology. She is a clinical professor in the Department of Community Health Sciences and Department of Oncology at the University of Calgary. In 2015, she was named one of the 100 Most Powerful Women in Canada by the Women's Executive Network.

Areas of Expertise

Epidemiology, Public Health, Cancer, Clinical Research, Health Policy, Prevention, Program Evaluation, Research, Policy, Healthcare

Affiliations

University of Calgary: Clinical Professor

Education

University of Calgary

PhD Epidemiology

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