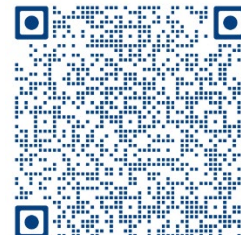


# Exploring Strategies to Mitigate the Impact of Extreme Weather Events on Clinical Cancer Research and Care: A Virtual Workshop Series

## Part 1

June 15, 2026



National Cancer Policy Forum in collaboration with the  
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**MONDAY, June 15, 2026  
12:00 pm– 3:00 pm (Eastern Time Zone)**

<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="#">Scarlett Lin Gomez</a>, Workshop Planning Committee Chair</li> <li>○ <a href="#">Rob Winn</a>, Virginia Commonwealth University; National Cancer Policy Forum Chair</li> </ul>
<b>12:15</b>	<b>Overview: Direct and Indirect Effects of Extreme Weather Events Along the Continuum of Cancer Research and Cancer Care</b> <i>Moderator: Scarlett Lin Gomez</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Leticia Nogueira</a>, American Cancer Society</li> </ul>
<b>12:30</b>	<b>Panel Discussion 1: Lived Experience: Impact of Extreme Weather Events on Clinical Cancer Research and Care</b> <i>Moderator: Robin Yabroff, American Cancer Society</i> <p><b>(Each panelist to make up to 5-minute opening remarks)</b></p> <p><b>Patient Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Forthcoming</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Cancer Center Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Forthcoming</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Researcher Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Claire Crawford</a>, Texas Children’s Hospital</li> </ul> <p><b>Panel Discussion and Audience Q&amp;A</b></p>

<b>1:15</b>	<b>Transition Break</b>
<b>1:20</b>	<p><b>Panel Discussion 2: Efforts and Success Stories: Mitigating the Effects of Extreme Weather Events on Patients with Cancer</b>  <i>Moderator: Elena Martinez, UC San Diego</i></p> <p><b>(Each panelist to make up to 5-minute opening remarks)</b></p> <p><b>Clinician Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Manali Patel</a>, Stanford University</li> </ul> <p><b>Healthcare System Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Forthcoming</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Researcher Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Shohreh Farzan</a>, University of Southern California</li> </ul> <p><b>Non-Profit Perspective (Replace with industry perspective?)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Forthcoming</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Panel Discussion and Audience Q&amp;A</b></p>
<b>2:05</b>	<b>Transition Break</b>
<b>2:10</b>	<p><b>Panel Discussion 3: Policy Gaps and Future Research Needs</b>  <i>Co-Moderators: Crystal Denlinger, NCCN</i></p> <p><b>(Each panelist to make up to 5-minute opening remarks)</b></p> <p><b>Clinician Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Andrew Hantel</a>, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute</li> </ul> <p><b>Researcher Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Ana Patricia Ortiz</a>, University of Puerto Rico Comprehensive Cancer Center</li> </ul> <p><b>Accreditation Agency Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Kathryn Spates</a>, The Joint Commission</li> </ul> <p><b>State Perspective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Dr. Joseph Kanter</a>, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials</li> </ul> <p><b>Panel Discussion and Audience Q&amp;A</b></p>
<b>3:00</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>