TAking control of cancer

Our research strategy to 2027 reflects a new and exciting approach to funding and conducting research — one that puts people at its core.

Building on our rich legacy of funding outstanding cancer research and as Canada’s largest cancer charity, the Canadian Cancer Society is uniquely positioned to drive life-saving advances that benefit all people in Canada.

To provide a foundation for our strategy and set an ambitious path forward, we have identified 5 grounding principles.

1. Person-centred
   Involve people from diverse communities, including those with lived cancer experience, in every step of the research process.

2. Diversified
   Maintain a broad portfolio of research programs that spans across cancer types and across the cancer continuum.

3. Collaborative
   Engage external partners from many sectors to expand reach and maximize capacity.

4. Impactful
   Remain outcome-driven to address areas of greatest unmet need and potential for near-term impact.

5. Innovative
   Find better, more relevant ways to evaluate research and accelerate impact by creating bold funding programs to spur new thinking.

Prevent
Reduce risk so fewer people in Canada will develop cancer.

Detect
Fewer people will be diagnosed with Stage 3 or Stage 4 cancer.

Care
People with cancer will live longer and with improved quality of life during and after treatment.

Champion
Equitable and timely access to innovative and affordable high-quality cancer prevention and care for more people in Canada.

To transform research to have maximum impact, we are enabling more research, faster — making measurable progress toward 4 long-term goals.

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, we are poised to push progress to new heights, improving and saving more lives.

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