



## **National Cancer Registrars Week, April 11-15, 2016**

### ***Cancer Registrars: The Heart of Improving Cancer Care***

The staff at C/NET Solutions of the Public Health Institute salute all cancer registrars everywhere for their contributions to the fight against cancer. We are proud to support them and the National Cancer Registrars Association in 2016.

Cancer registrars are data information specialists that collect and code patient level data for cancer registries, who in turn compile that data for healthcare providers and health officials to better monitor and improve cancer treatment, conduct research, and target cancer prevention and screening programs.

I have worked closely with and for cancer registrars for nearly 35 years now, and I have always been impressed with the breadth and depth of knowledge they bring to the profession. Without their dedication and contributions to the collection of quality data on the care and survival of cancer patients, as well as the demographic and geographic distribution of the disease, I don't think we could have made the tremendous advances that we have seen over the period of my career.

I will be retiring later this year, and I invite all registrars to stop by our booth at the NCRA meeting in Las Vegas so that I can thank you personally for your efforts on behalf of everyone.

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