

# **Overview of Fire Service Occupational Cancer Alliance**

- **Direction emerged from Tampa 2 – March 2014**
- **IAFF has led the way on fire fighter cancer**
- **The fire service must join in on this critical challenge**
- **Created a Forum to discuss the topic of cancer in the fire service**

➤ **January 2015 Forum to address *Occupational Cancer in the Fire Service***

- Research and science
- What has been done
- What needs to be done
- Specific populations
- Identify Partners
- Zadroga Act – CFSI Resolution
- Presumptive legislation
- Impact on workers' comp; pensions; etc.

➤ **May 2015 Steering Committee meeting to develop action plans for the recommendations that emerged during the January 2015 Forum:**

- Research gaps and funding**
- Prevention efforts and policies**
- Presumptive legislation**
- Engaging organizations as partners**
- Inclusion / recognition of cancer within LODD criteria**
- Identification of “next steps”**
- Named the group: *The Fire Service Occupational Cancer Alliance***

➤ **October 2015 meeting of *The Fire Service Occupational Cancer Alliance***

- Reviewed Steering Committees' work
- Branding the *Alliance* and naming prevention programs
- Research gaps – Research Agenda Symposium
- Roles of *Alliance* partners
- CFSI Resolution on fire service occupational cancer
- Next Steps

- **NFFF will facilitate the *Alliance***
- **Finding funding for the *Alliance***
- **Identify who is already doing what – and what is not being addressed**
- **Plan next meeting of the *Fire Service Occupational Cancer Alliance***

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