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**UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute
to Host Nov. 18 Town Hall in Dierks**

LITTLE ROCK — The public is invited to a community town hall meeting on cancer prevention and screening at noon Tuesday, Nov. 18, at Dierks Church of Christ, 308 Main Ave., in Dierks.

Hosted by the [UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute Community Outreach and Engagement](#) team, the free event will share information with area residents about current cancer screening guidelines, available screening options and foster dialogue about barriers residents may face in getting screened. Attendees will also learn about statewide cancer patient navigation services, cancer research initiatives and clinical trials available through the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS).

Lunch will be provided for the first 25 attendees. No preregistration is required.

“Our mission is to meet people where they are, listen to their experiences and provide them with resources that can truly make a difference in their health,” said Dan Dixon, Ph.D., associate director of Community Outreach and Engagement for the Cancer Institute. “Events like this town hall allow us to partner directly with communities to improve cancer prevention, early detection and access to care across Arkansas.”

The UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute is Arkansas’ only academic cancer research center with nearly 100 scientists actively researching high priority cancers affecting Arkansans. In addition to a robust statewide cancer outreach and engagement network, UAMS is home to the state’s only bone marrow transplant program and the world-renowned Myeloma Center.

UAMS is the state’s only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; a hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and eight institutes: the Winthrop P.

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