

## **CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS**

RE: the article “Lung Cancer, Who Cares?”

- The National Cancer Institute of Canada (NCIC) is the largest *charitable* funder of cancer research in Canada, but the largest overall source of cancer research funding is the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR).
- Figure 8 represents research funded directly by the NCIC and research administered by the NCIC for a number of different partnerships. For example, the NCIC administers research for the Canadian Breast Cancer Research Alliance, which includes funding from the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation, the Avon Flame Foundation and Health Canada. Other funding partnerships include the Canadian Prostate Cancer Research Initiative and the Canadian Tobacco Control Research Initiative, both with funding from a variety of partners other than the NCIC.
- Research spending shown in Figure 8 reflects some overlap, and does not reflect investments solely for the tumour sites named. Researchers often name multiple sites in their proposals because results may be useful for many different cancers. Therefore each of the columns shown would include a number of the same grants. For example, the lung cancer research spending would include all grants that mention lung cancer though the research proposal may have also named other tumour sites.
- In addition, we would like to note that a private PETSCAN Centre in Vancouver has been in continuous operation for more than three years. This Centre had followed all Health Canada requirements and did not receive the Health Canada mailout to other private PET scan operations instructing them to close operations until they had filed Clinical Trial Applications.