Aislinn Rookwood is one of the leaders in the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) Youth Enjoy Science Program (YES). The YES Program is funded by the National Cancer Institute specifically to educate Native American students, teachers, and communities about cancer research and to encourage entry into biomedical careers.

Aislinn is a Training Navigator Program member who completed her Ph.D. degree in Dec. 2023, and she is now an Assistant Professor in the College of Public Health at UNMC.

If you know of students who might benefit from the YES Program, they can contact Misty Pocwierz-Gaines or email Aislinn Rookwood (aislinn.rookwood@unmc.edu) for information.
Educators are invited to participate in NCI-funded UNMC Youth Enjoy Science (YES) Program workshops on developing Indigenous STEM pedagogy, practices, and resources in relation to cancer education. There is no cost, and participants will be paid $75 per workshop.

CANCER: GENETICS & ENVIRONMENT WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

**June 20th 4pm-6pm: Environmental Health**
Location: Online

**July 25th 12pm-4pm: Native Science & Lab Skills**
Location: University of Nebraska Omaha, Department of Biology

Contact Dr. Aislinn Rookwood (aislinn.rookwood@unmc.edu) to register for one or both of these workshops.

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The NCI Intramural Continuing Umbrella of Research Experiences (iCURE) program supports research experiences at the National Cancer Institute campuses in Maryland.

The NCI is especially interested in encouraging applications from individuals from a variety of backgrounds (for example, those from groups that are listed in this National Institutes of Health Notice: NOT-OD-20-031 https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-031.html).

Accepted applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. The iCURE scholars receive a monthly stipend based on their education level, GPA, and relevant experience.

The application process will open in October 2024.

For more information, see https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/crchd/diversity-training/icure
Cattlemen’s Ball of Nebraska

The Cattlemen’s Ball is an annual chance for Nebraskans to enjoy country music and activities, while supporting cancer research and care.

The next Cattlemen’s Ball will be on June 7-8, 2024 near Minatare, Nebraska
https://cattlemensball.com

Tours of the UNMC Campus and the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center Building

If you know a student group that would like to learn more about UNMC, view the great UNMC campus, and see how the design of the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center building facilitates cancer research and patient care, please contact Misty to arrange a tour.