To take on the significant health burden of liver cancer, the **GESA Liver Cancer Alliance** has been established.

The GESA Liver Cancer Alliance has established 4 streams with expertise in the complex issues relating to the research, treatment, prevention and cure for liver cancer.

These are:

1. A national liver cancer Clinical Research Network;
2. A national Experimental Liver Cancer Network;
3. A liver cancer Public Health Network; and
4. A national Community Network through the charity, The Liver Foundation.

Finding funding partners to support research will be vital in discovering answers to drive change.

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**“Liver Cancer is estimated to cost the Australian community $4.2 billion per year in productivity losses”**

GESA Liver Cancer Alliance Steering Committee:
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The GESA Liver Cancer Alliance will also seek support from a range of organisations to ultimately form a National Liver Cancer Consortium including:

- Cancer Australia
- Cancer Council Australia
- Clinical Oncology Society of Australia
- Australia New Zealand Hepatic, Pancreatic and Biliary Association
- Interventional Radiology Society of Australasia
- Australasian Gastro-Intestinal Cancer Trials Group
- Cancer Institute NSW
- Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
- Cancer Patient Support Groups
- The Liver Foundation.

To improve outcomes for Australian liver cancer patients, the GESA Liver Cancer Alliance will:

**Establish a ‘Brain-pool’**

- Representing experimental and clinical research, public health and patient advocacy.
- With partnerships representing a variety of disciplines and Working Groups to enhance the collaborative and multidisciplinary understanding regarding research, treatment and management options of liver cancer.

**Commit to Research**

- Identify gaps in research, developing a research plan and supporting future research into liver cancer.

**Establish optimal Care Pathways & Seek Funding**

- To support research and coordinated activities.

Liver Cancer is a primary malignancy of the liver and occurs predominantly in patients with underlying chronic liver disease and cirrhosis. It accounts for 70%-90% of primary liver cancers and is more common in men than women. In 2018 in Australia, of the 2,215 people who develop Liver Cancer, only a small number will survive.