# COLON CANCER SCREENING AND MINORITY HEALTH

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#### **Outline**

- Facts and Figures
- 2016 Recommended Colon Cancer Screening Guidelines
  - US Preventive Services Task Force Recommendation Statement June 2016
- Barriers to Screening
- Solution



# Facts and Figures

- Colorectal cancer is the SECOND leading cause of cancer death in the United States
- Fourth most common type of cancer affecting men and women (breast, lung, prostate)
- 2016 estimates:
  - 134,000 will be diagnosed
  - 49,000 will die
- Colorectal cancer is most frequently diagnosed among adults 65-74y; median age at death is 68y
- SCREENING SAVES LIVES!

#### Colon Cancer At-A-Glance\*



Colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related death in the U.S.

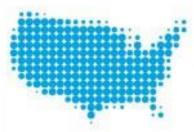


On average, your risk is about 1 in 20, although this varies widely according to individual risk factors. **50**+

90% of new cases occur in people 50 or older.



People with a first-degree relative (parent, sibling or offspring) who has colon cancer have two to three times the risk of developing the disease.

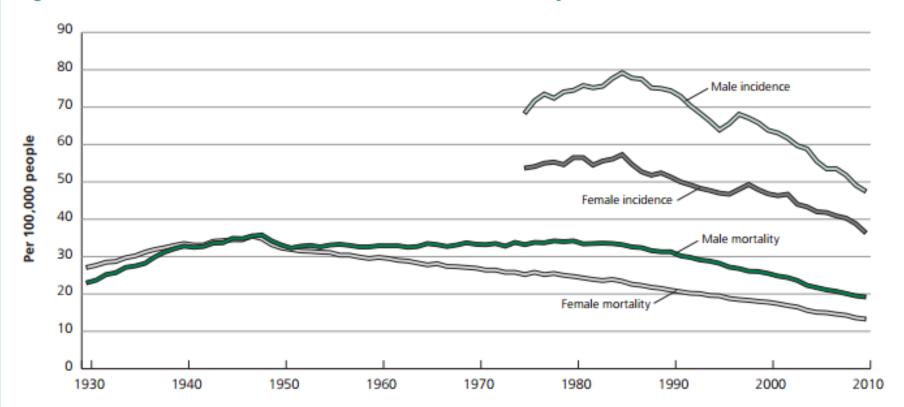


There are currently more than one million colon cancer survivors in the U.S.

<sup>\*</sup>Source: American Concer Society

# Facts and Figures

Figure 4. Trends in Colorectal Cancer Incidence and Death Rates by Sex, US, 1930-2010



Rates were age adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. Incidence rates were adjusted for delays in reporting. Due to changes in International Classification of Diseases (ICD) coding for mortality, numerator information has changed over time.

Source: Incidence - Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Program, SEER 9 registries, National Cancer Institute, 2013.

Mortality - US Mortality Volumes 1930 to 1959, US Mortality Data 1960-2010, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2013.

American Cancer Society, Surveillance Research, 2014

# Facts and Figures - Incidence

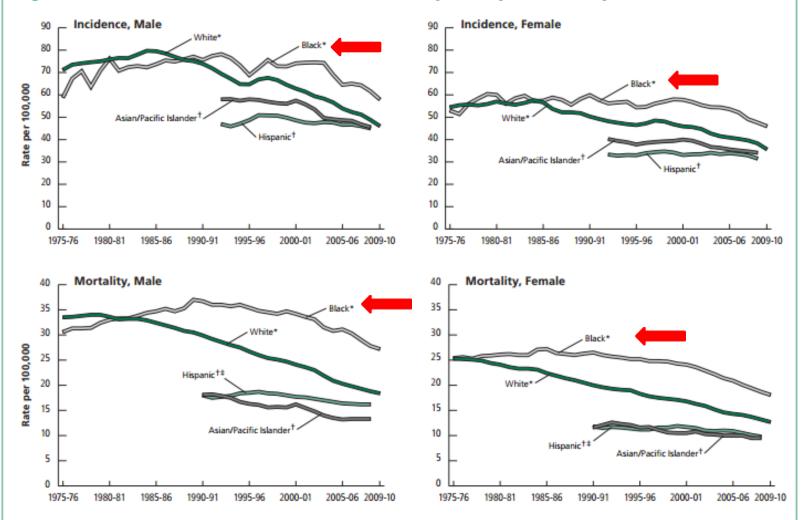
| MEN                 | Rates per<br>100,000 | WOMEN               | Rates per<br>100,000 |
|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| African<br>American | 63.8                 | African<br>American | 47.6                 |
| American<br>Indian  | 51.7                 | American<br>Indian  | 42.7                 |
| White               | 50.9                 | White               | 38.6                 |
| Hispanic            | 47.3                 | Hispanic            | 32.6                 |
| Asian               | 40.8                 | Asian               | 31.0                 |
| TOTAL               | 51.7                 | TOTAL               | 39.1                 |

American Cancer Society. 4th ed. Colorectal Cancer Facts & Figures:2014-2016

# Facts and Figures - Mortality

| MEN                 | Rates per<br>100,000   | WOMEN               | Rates per<br>100,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|--|---------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| African<br>American | 29.4   | African<br>American | 19.4                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White               | 19.2   | American<br>Indian  | 15.4                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| American<br>Indian  | 18.7   | White               | 13.6                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hispanic            | 16.1   | Hispanic            | 10.2                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Asian               | 13.1   | Asian               | 9.7                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL               | 19.6   | TOTAL               | 13.9                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| American Cancer     | American Cancer Society. 4 <sup>th</sup> ed. Colorectal Cancer Facts & Figures:2014-2016 |                     |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 5. Trends in Colorectal Cancer Incidence and Mortality Rates by Race/Ethnicity and Sex, 1975-2010



Trends for American Indians/Alaska Natives are not included due to sparse data. Rates are per 100,000 and age adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. \*Rates are two-year moving averages. †Rates are three-year moving averages. ‡Rates exclude deaths from Connecticut, District of Columbia, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New York, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Vermont, and Virginia due to incomplete ethnicity data.

Source: Incidence - Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Program, National Cancer Institute. Mortality - National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 2013.

#### CRC:

# American College of Gastroenterology

- Colonoscopy, beginning at age 50 and performed every 10 years, is the "preferred" screening test for colorectal cancer. They recommend that physicians first offer this test alone rather than a menu of options
- However, if patients are not willing to have a colonoscopy, they support offering:
  - Preferably, a cancer prevention test: Either flexible sigmoidoscopy every 5 to 10 years or CT colonography every 5 years
  - A test primarily for cancer detection: Preferred test is fecal immunohistochemical test for blood (FIT)
- They further recommend that African Americans begin testing at 45 rather than 50

# CRC Changes from 2000 Guidelines American College of Gastroenterology

Screening tests are divided into cancer prevention and cancer detection tests. Cancer prevention tests are preferred over tests that primarily detect colorectal cancer.

- Screening is recommended for African Americans beginning at age 45.
- CT colonography every 5 years replaces double contrast barium enema as the radiology screening alternative when patients decline colonoscopy.
- FIT (fecal immunohistochemical testing) replaces older guaiac-based fecal occult blood testing. FIT is the preferred cancer detection test.
- Annual Hemoccult SENSA and fecal DNA testing every three years are alternative cancer detection tests.
- A family history of only small tubular adenomas in first-degree relatives (parents, children, siblings) is not considered to increase the risk of colorectal cancer.
- Individuals with a single first-degree relative with colorectal cancer or advanced adenomas diagnosed at age 60 or older can be screened like average risk people.

#### Recommended Colon Cancer Screening

- US Preventive Services Task Force Recommendation Statement June 2016
- Risk:
  - Average (no personal or family hx)- age 50
  - High (personal and/or family hx)- age 40 or 10y prior to 1<sup>st</sup> degree family member dx
  - Symptoms- any age
- CRC Screening start at age 50y, continue to age 75y
- Individualized decision for ages 76-85y, and those at high risk or with symptoms
- African Americans start at age 45y (American College of Gastroenterology)
   JAMA. 2016;315(23):2564-2575.

doi:10.1001/jama.2016.5989.

#### Risk Factors

#### Table 2. Summary of Selected Risk Factors for Colorectal Cancer

|   | Relative Risk* |
|---|----------------|
| Factors that increase risk:                         |                |
| Heredity and Medical History                        |                |
| Family history                                      |                |
| 1 first-degree relative <sup>43</sup>               | 2.2            |
| more than 1 relative <sup>43</sup>                  | 4.0            |
| relative with diagnosis before age 45 <sup>44</sup> | 3.9            |
| Inflammatory bowel disease <sup>† 62</sup>          |                |
| Crohn disease (colon)                               | 2.6            |
| Ulcerative colitis                                  |                |
| colon   | 2.8            |
| rectum  | 1.9            |
| Diabetes <sup>42</sup>                              | 1.2            |
| Behavioral factors <sup>42</sup>                    |                |
| Alcohol consumption (heavy vs. nondrinkers)         | 1.6            |
| Obesity   | 1.2            |
| Red meat consumption                                | 1.2            |
| Processed meat consumption                          | 1.2            |
| Smoking (current vs. never)                         | 1.2            |
| Factors that decrease risk:                         |                |
| Physical activity (colon)73                         | 0.7            |
| Dairy consumption87                                 | 0.8            |
| Fruit consumption <sup>85</sup>                     | 0.9            |
| Vegetable consumption <sup>85</sup>                 | 0.9            |
| Total dietary fiber (10 g/day)84                    | 0.9            |

<sup>\*</sup>Relative risk compares the risk of disease among people with a particular "exposure" to the risk among people without that exposure. Relative risk for dietary factors compares the highest with the lowest consumption. If the relative risk is more than 1.0, then risk is higher among exposed than unexposed persons. Relative risks less than 1.0 indicate a protective effect.

<sup>†</sup>Several recent, small studies indicate that current risk may be lower due to improvements in treatment and the use of colonoscopy screening to detect precancerous lesions.

# **CRC Screening Tests**

| Screening Method  | Frequency <sup>b</sup>      | Evidence of Efficacy  | Other Considerations  |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Stool-Based Tests |                             |   |   |
| gFOBT             | Every year                  | RCTs with mortality end points:<br>High-sensitivity versions (eg, Hemoccult SENSA)<br>have superior test performance characteristics<br>than older tests (eg, Hemoccult II)   | Does not require bowel preparation, anesthesia,<br>or transportation to and from the screening<br>examination (test is performed at home)   |
| FIT <sup>©</sup>  | Every year                  | Test characteristic studies:<br>Improved accuracy compared with gFOBT<br>Can be done with a single specimen   | Does not require bowel preparation, anesthesia,<br>or transportation to and from the screening<br>examination (test is performed at home)   |
| FIT-DNA           | Every 1 or 3 y <sup>d</sup> | Test characteristic studies: Specificity is lower than for FIT, resulting in more false-positive results, more diagnostic colonoscopies, and more associated adverse events per screening test Improved sensitivity compared with FIT per single screening test | There is insufficient evidence about appropriate<br>longitudinal follow-up of abnormal findings afte<br>a negative diagnostic colonoscopy; may<br>potentially lead to overly intensive surveillance<br>due to provider and patient concerns over the<br>genetic component of the test |

#### **CRC:** Direct Visualization Tests

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| <b>Direct Visualization Tests</b>  |   | XXX   |   |
| Colonoscopy  | Every 10 y  | Prospective cohort study with mortality end point   | Requires less frequent screening<br>Screening and diagnostic follow-up of positive<br>findings can be performed during the same<br>examination                                  |
| CT colonography*   | Every 5 y   | Test characteristic studies   | There is insufficient evidence about the potential<br>harms of associated extracolonic findings,<br>which are common  |
| Flexible sigmoidoscopy   | Every 5 y   | RCTs with mortality end points:<br>Modeling suggests it provides less benefit<br>than when combined with FIT or compared<br>with other strategies | Test availability has declined in the United States   |
| Flexible sigmoidoscopy<br>with FIT <sup>c</sup>  | Flexible sigmoidoscopy<br>every 10 y plus FIT<br>every year | RCT with mortality end point (subgroup analysis)  | Test availability has declined in the United States<br>Potentially attractive option for patients who<br>want endoscopic screening but want to limit<br>exposure to colonoscopy |

Stool Tests (Low-sensitivity stool tests, such as single-sample FOBT done in the doctor's office or toilet bowl tests, are not recommended) High-Sensitivity Guaiac-based Fecal Occult Blood Test (FOBT) No bowel preparation Performance: Requires multiple stool samples Annual Intermediate for cancer Sampling is done at home Will miss most polyps Low cost May produce false-positive test results Complexity: Noninvasive Pre-test dietary limitations Low Slightly more effective when combined with a flexible sigmoidoscopy every five years Colonoscopy necessary if abnormalities are detected Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) No bowel preparation Performance: Requires multiple stool samples Annual Intermediate for cancer Sampling is done at home Will miss most polyps May produce false-positive test results Low cost Complexity: · Slightly more effective when combined with a flexible Noninvasive Low sigmoidoscopy every five years Colonoscopy necessary if abnormalities are detected Stool DNA Test No bowel preparation Performance: Will miss most polyps Uncertain Intermediate for cancer Sampling is done at home High cost compared to other stool tests Requires only a single stool New technology with uncertain interval Complexity: sample between testing Low Colonoscopy necessary if abnormalities are detected Noninvasive

\*Complexity involves patient preparation, inconvenience, facilities and equipment needed, and patient discomfort.

| Benefits   | Performance &<br>Complexity*  | Limitations   | Test Time<br>Interval |
|--|---|---|-----------------------|
| Structural Exams   |   |   |                       |
| Flexible Sigmoidoscopy   |   |   |                       |
| <ul> <li>Fairly quick</li> <li>Few complications</li> <li>Minimal bowel preparation</li> <li>Does not require sedation or<br/>a specialist</li> </ul>  | Performance: High for rectum & lower one-third of the colon  Complexity: Intermediate | Views only one-third of colon Cannot remove large polyps Small risk of infection or bowel tear Slightly more effective when combined with annual fecal occult blood testing Colonoscopy still needed if abnormalities are detected Limited availability                                   | 5 years               |
| Colonoscopy  |   |   |                       |
| <ul> <li>Examines entire colon</li> <li>Can biopsy and remove<br/>polyps</li> <li>Can diagnose other<br/>diseases</li> <li>Required for abnormal<br/>results from all other tests</li> </ul> | Performance:<br>Highest<br>Complexity:<br>Highest                                     | <ul> <li>Full bowel preparation needed</li> <li>Can be expensive</li> <li>Sedation of some kind usually needed, necessitating a chaperone to return home</li> <li>Patient may miss a day of work.</li> <li>Highest risk of bowel tears or infections compared with other tests</li> </ul> | 10 years              |
| Double-contrast Barium Enema   |   |   |                       |
| <ul> <li>Can usually view entire colon</li> <li>Few complications</li> <li>No sedation needed</li> </ul>   | Performance: High (for large polyps)  Complexity: High                                | Full bowel preparation needed     Some false positive test results     Cannot remove polyps or perform biopsies     Exposure to low-dose radiation     Colonoscopy necessary if abnormalities are detected     Very limited availability  | 5 years               |
| Computed Tomographic Colonography  |   |   |                       |
| <ul> <li>Examines entire colon</li> <li>Fairly quick</li> <li>Few complications</li> <li>No sedation needed</li> <li>Noninvasive</li> </ul>  | Performance:<br>High (for large polyps)<br>Complexity:<br>Intermediate                | Full bowel preparation needed     Cannot remove polyps or perform biopsies     Exposure to low-dose radiation     Colonoscopy necessary if abnormalities are detected     Not covered by all insurance plans  | 5 years               |

Table 4. Colorectal Cancer Screening (%) among Adults Age 50 and Older in the US, 2010

|                          | FOBT* | Endoscopy† | Either FOBT or<br>Endoscopy <sup>‡</sup> |
|--------------------------|-------|------------|--|
| Gender                   |       |            |  |
| Men                      | 9.0   | 57.4       | 60.2                                     |
| Women                    | 8.6   | 55.6       | 58.3                                     |
| Age (years)              |       |            |  |
| 50-64                    | 8.0   | 52.3       | 55.2                                     |
| 65+                      | 9.7   | 61.2       | 63.7                                     |
| Race/Ethnicity           |       |            |  |
| White (non-Hispanic)     | 9.2   | 58.5       | 61.5                                     |
| Black (non-Hispanic)     | 8.4   | 53.0       | 55.5                                     |
| Asian <sup>§</sup>       | 6.9   | 44.5       | 45.9                                     |
| American Indian/         |       |            |  |
| Alaskan Native1          | 6.1   | 46.5       | 48.1                                     |
| Hispanic/Latino          | 5.6   | 45.3       | 47.0                                     |
| Education (years)        |       |            |  |
| 11 or fewer              | 5.8   | 42.1       | 43.9                                     |
| 12                       | 6.8   | 51.9       | 54.2                                     |
| 13 to 15                 | 11.0  | 59.5       | 63.1                                     |
| 16 or more               | 10.4  | 66.7       | 69.2                                     |
| Health Insurance         |       |            |  |
| Yes                      | 9.2   | 59.4       | 62.2                                     |
| No                       | 1.6   | 17.8       | 18.8                                     |
| Immigration              |       |            |  |
| Born in US               | 9.2   | 58.0       | 60.9                                     |
| Born in US Territory     | 4.7   | 53.3       | 55.6                                     |
| In US less than 10 years | 1.7   | 24.1       | 25.3                                     |
| In US 10 years or more   | 6.5   | 46.5       | 48.4                                     |
| Total                    | 8.8   | 56.4       | 59.1                                     |
|                          |       |            |  |

Percentages are age adjusted to the 2000 US standard population.

Note: The 2010 estimate for endoscopy and combined FOBT/endoscopy cannot be compared to estimates from 2008 and prior because of changes in questions assessing endoscopy use.





For more information on the different ways you can be tested, call 1.800.227.2345 or visit www.cancer.org/NYNI.

**Source**: National Health Interview Survey Public Use Data File 2010, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

# **CRC** Screening



| 5 YEAR SURVIVAL % |
|-------------------|
| 48.6              |
| 58.0              |
| 59.7              |
| 66.5              |
|                   |

## Barriers to Screening among Minorities

- Health Literacy
  - Not informed about colon cancer and importance of screening
- Low income individuals
  - Fear of cost
- Lack of access to healthcare
  - Rural areas
  - Lack of health insurance
  - Access/Scheduling
- Language and culture
- Differences in provider and patient testing preferences



## Patient Reported Barriers to Screening

| <ul><li>Fear</li></ul>                | 10.1% |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| <ul> <li>Lack of knowledge</li> </ul> | 7.9%  |
| <ul> <li>Bowel prep</li> </ul>        | 7.9%  |
| <ul><li>Pain</li></ul>                | 7.6%  |
| <ul><li>Cost</li></ul>                | 6.0%  |
| <ul> <li>Afraid of results</li> </ul> | 5.4%  |
| <ul> <li>Fear of procedure</li> </ul> | 4.4%  |
| <ul><li>Time</li></ul>                | 4.4%  |
| <ul> <li>Embarrassment</li> </ul>     | 4.1%  |
| <ul> <li>Lack of symptoms</li> </ul>  | 4.1%  |

Jones et al. Patient-reported barriers to colorectal cancer screening: a mixed-methods analysis. Am J Prev Med. 2010 May; 38(5):508-516

- Personal v Automated Phone Call Reminders
- Reaching the Patient
- Reaching the Provider
- Photo Booklet easy to understand
- Multimedia
  - Physician EMR
  - Patient Education
- Culturally targeted patient navigator
- Peer navigation: patients helping patients

#### Recent progress in policies and legislation related to colorectal cancer screening

On March 23, 2010, Congress passed and the president signed health care reform legislation, which included approximately 160 provisions that will meaningfully improve the health care system for cancer patients. Many of those provisions will help colorectal cancer patients and give greater access to colorectal cancer screening and treatment. For example:

- Ensure that individuals with a history of colorectal cancer are no longer denied coverage because of a pre-existing condition.
- Prohibit the sudden discontinuation of coverage because a patient is diagnosed with colorectal cancer or another health condition.
- Prohibit the use of annual dollar limits on coverage and lifetime limits that leave cancer patients without coverage.
- Require that all commercial health insurance plans cover colorectal cancer screening tests (fecal occult blood testing, sigmoidoscopy, or colonoscopy) for all adults beginning at age 50 and continuing until age 75.
- Ensure that colorectal cancer screening tests, except when a polyp is removed during a screening colonoscopy, are administered at no cost to patients in the Medicare program. (Patients can be charged a co-pay if a polyp is removed during a screening colonoscopy.)
- Create a national prevention and public health fund to expand and sustain national investment in prevention and public health programs, including health screenings

- In February 2013, the federal government issued an important clarification on preventive screening benefits under the Affordable Care Act.
- Patients with private insurance will no longer be liable for cost sharing when a precancerous colon polyp is removed during screening colonoscopy.
- This ensures that colorectal cancer screening is available to privately insured patients at no additional cost, as intended by the new healthcare law.
- Patients with Medicare coverage must still pay a coinsurance when a polyp is removed as a result of the screening colonoscopy.

#### Solution – in the works

- Removing Barriers to Colorectal Cancer Screening Act of 2015
- This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to waive coinsurance for colorectal cancer screening tests (in order to cover 100% of their cost under Medicare part B [Supplementary Medical Insurance Benefits for the Aged and Disabled]), regardless of the code billed for a diagnosis as a result of a test, or for the removal of tissue or other procedure furnished in connection with, as a result of, and in the same clinical encounter as the screening test.

#### Solution – in the works

- Benefits of the Removing Barriers to Colorectal Cancer Screening Act of 2015 include:
  - Lifting a financial burden for people living on a fixed income, allowing men and women on Medicare to receive these important screenings without risking coinsurance
  - Increasing screening rates and reducing the incidence of colorectal cancer

- CDC Colorectal Cancer Program
- American Cancer Society-Cancer Action Network
- NCCRT (National Colorectal Cancer Round Table)
  - Goal of 80% by 2018



#### The National Colorectal Roundtable

The National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable (NCCRT) is a coalition of more than 70 public, private, and voluntary organizations, led by the American Cancer Society and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, whose mission is to advance colorectal cancer control efforts by improving communication, coordination, and collaboration among health agencies, medical-professional organizations, and the public.

The ultimate goal of the Roundtable is to increase the use of colorectal cancer screening tests among the population for whom screening is recommended. It serves as a forum for communication and developing consensus in order to advance key initiatives that can address gaps and create opportunities to improve cancer screening. Once the Roundtable identifies a key issue, it leverages the talents of the members to conduct studies, create tools, and identify emerging issues that can advance colorectal cancer control efforts. While the Roundtable focuses on colorectal cancer control, many of the initiatives, tools, and evidence-based interventions developed by the coalition can easily be adapted to inform a broad array of cancer control activities.

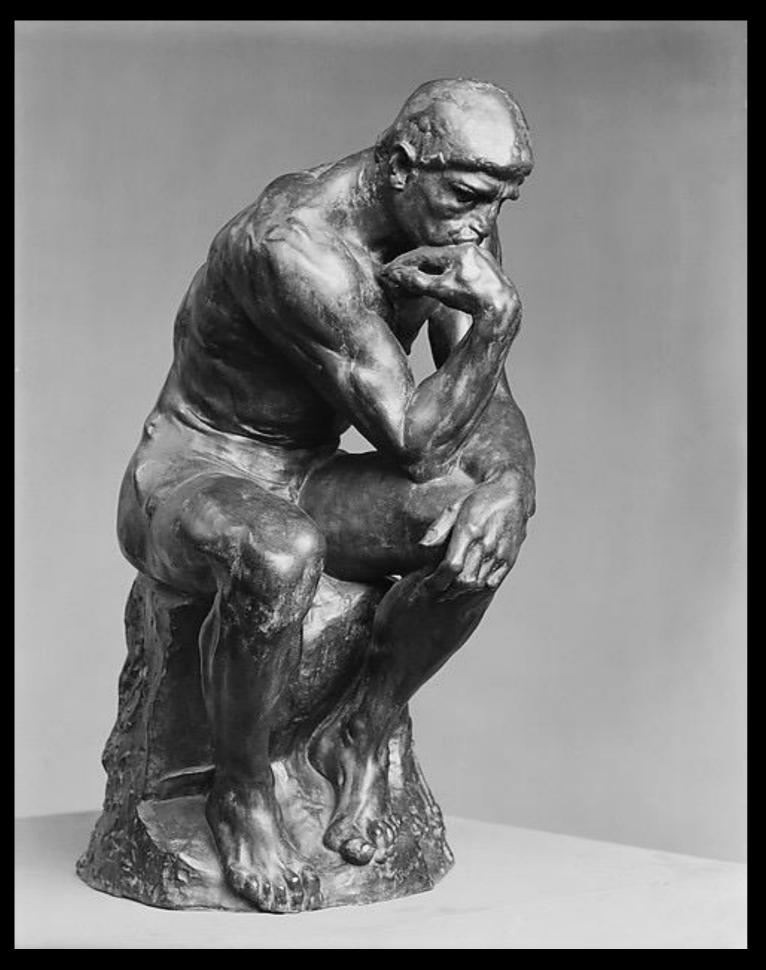
#### Recent initiatives include:

- Partnering with Patient Centered Primary Care Collaborative to increase cancer screening in the patient centered medical home
- Collaborating with the National Association of Community Health Centers to implement strategies that increase colorectal cancer screening for the vulnerable populations served by these facilities
- Developing the signature guide: How to Increase Colorectal Cancer Screening Rates in Practice: A Primary Care Clinician's Evidence-Based Toolbox and Guide
- Promoting collaborative efforts to improve the quality of screening colonoscopy
- Developing a March Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month marketing kit
- Commissioning research to assess state-by-state Medicaid coverage of preventive services published in Health Affairs
- Developing a colorectal cancer evaluation tool kit that includes template evaluation materials in both English and Spanish and conducts evaluation training

In short, the National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable and its partners work together to unify and magnify efforts around colorectal cancer. In this way, it maximizes limited resources, pools talent, and strengthens the collective energy behind CDC strategic priorities for increasing colorectal cancer screening.

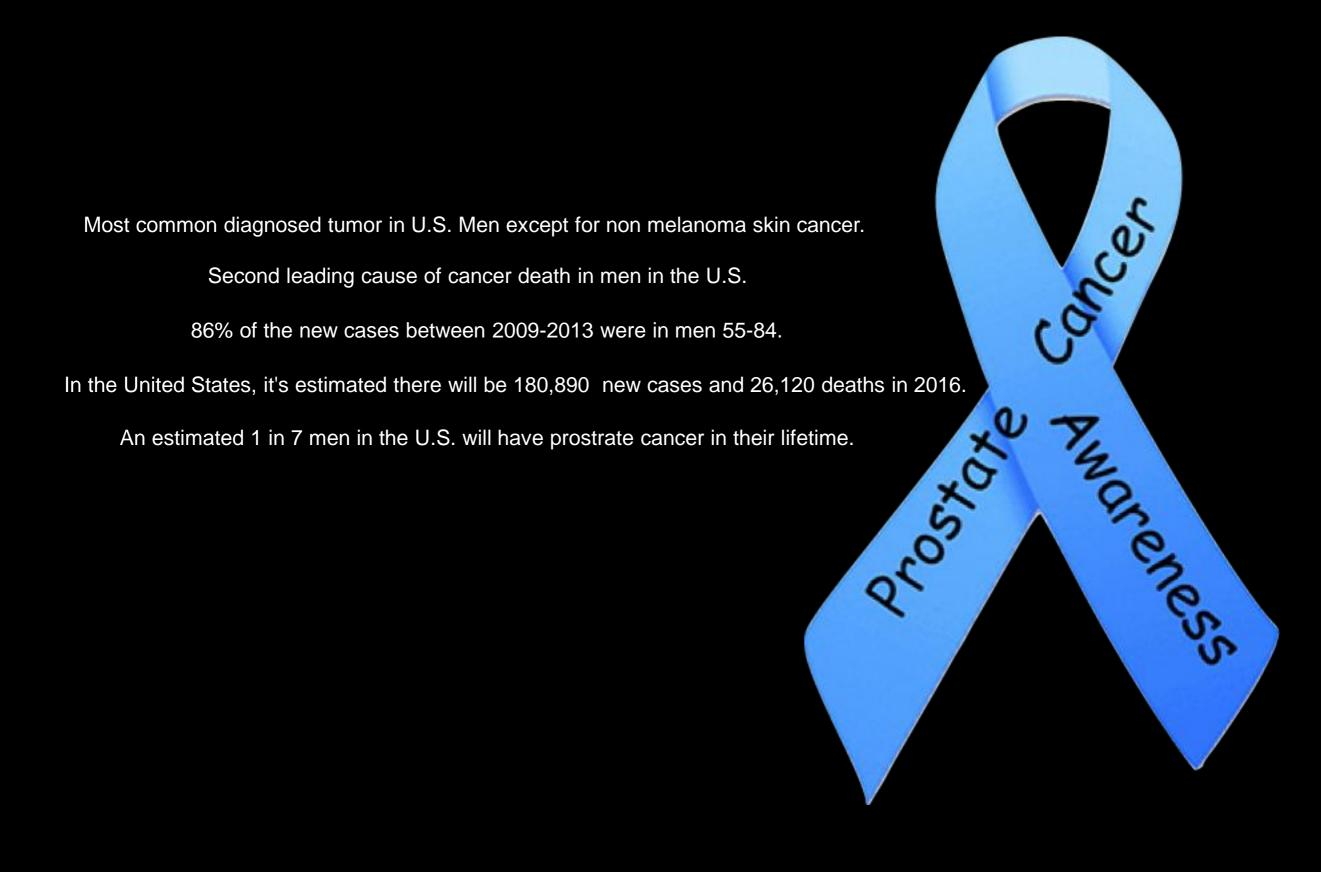
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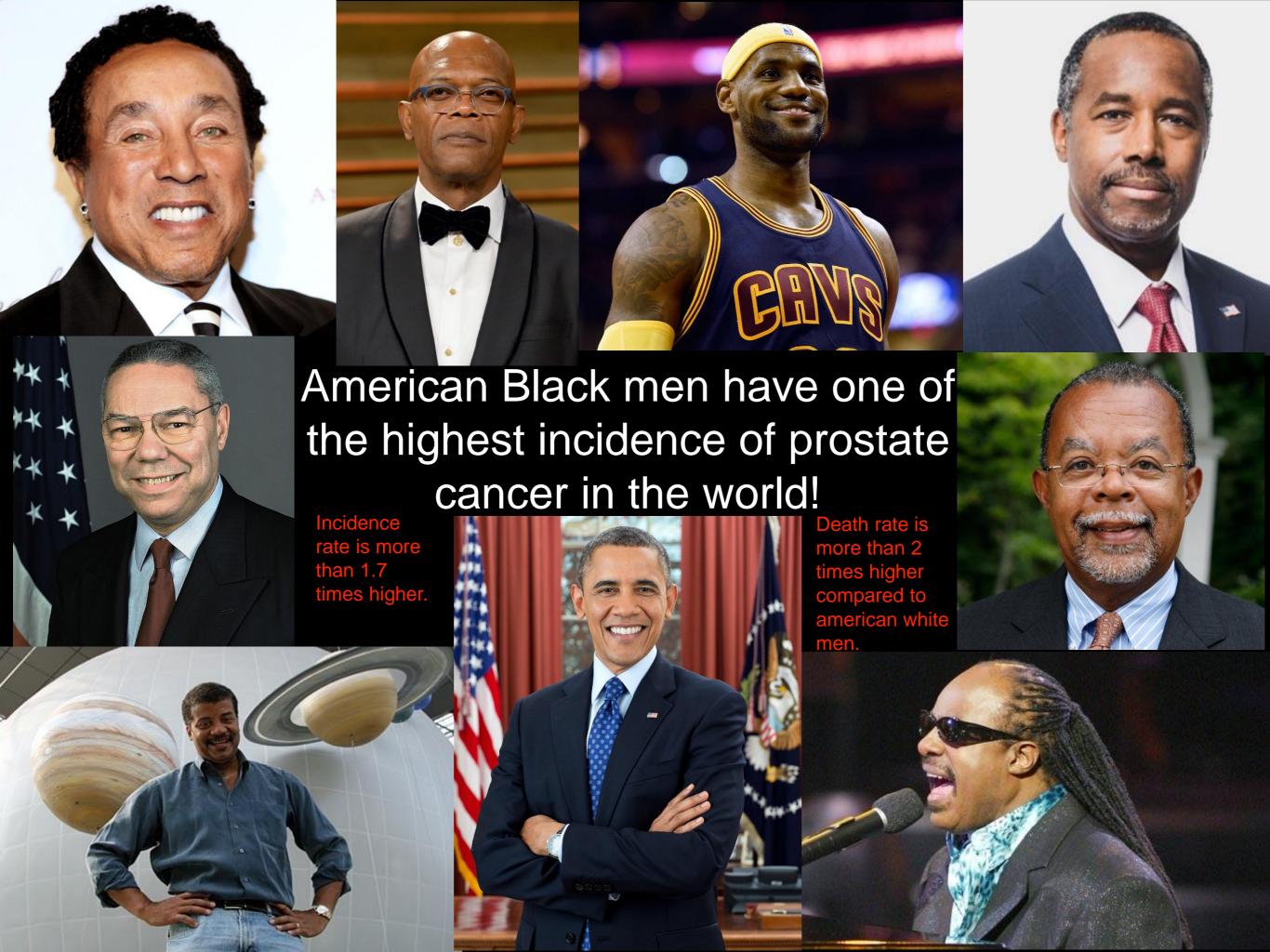
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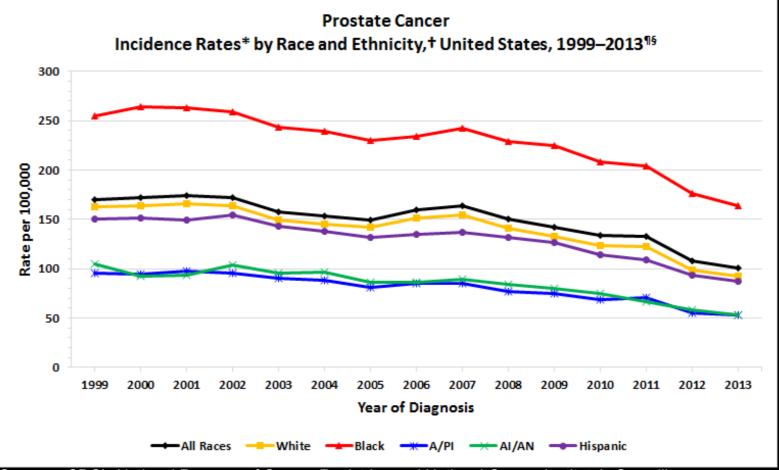




cases per 100,00 2009-2013 SEER Data

203.5 (Black men) 121.9 (White men) 106.9 (Hispanic men) 68.9 (Asian/Pacific Islander men) 63.9 (American/Alaska native men) Incidence Rates by Race/Ethnicity

"Incidence rate" means how many men out of a given number get the disease each year. The graph below shows how many men out of 100,000 got prostate cancer each year during the years 1999–2013. The year 2013 is the most recent year for which numbers have been reported. The prostate cancer incidence rate is grouped by race and ethnicity. The graph below shows that in 2013, black men had the highest rate of getting prostate cancer, followed by white, Hispanic, American Indian/Alaska Native (Al/AN), and Asian/Pacific Islander (A/PI) men.



Sources: CDC's National Program of Cancer Registries and National Cancer Institute's Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results program.

\*Rates are the number of cases per 100,000 persons and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population (19 age groups – Census P25–1130). For more information, see the <u>USCS technical notes.</u> †Race categories are not mutually exclusive from Hispanic origin. Rates are not presented for persons of unknown or other race. Data for specified racial or ethnic populations other than white and black should be interpreted with caution. For more information, see the <u>USCS technical notes.</u>

¶ Data are compiled from cancer registries that meet the data quality criteria for all invasive cancer sites combined for all years, 1999–2013 (covering approximately 92% of the U.S. population). See <a href="registry-specific data quality information for all years, 1999–2013">registry-specific data quality information for all years, 1999–2013</a>. Use caution when comparing incidence and death rates because of potential differences in population coverage.

§Invasive cancer excludes basal and squamous cell carcinomas of the skin except when these occur on the skin of the genital organs, and in situ cancers except urinary bladder. Behavior recode for analysis used for 1999–2013 individual years.





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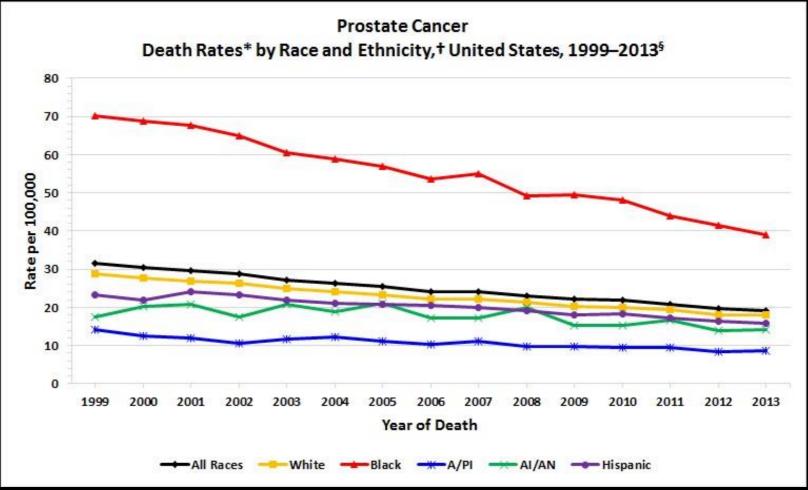
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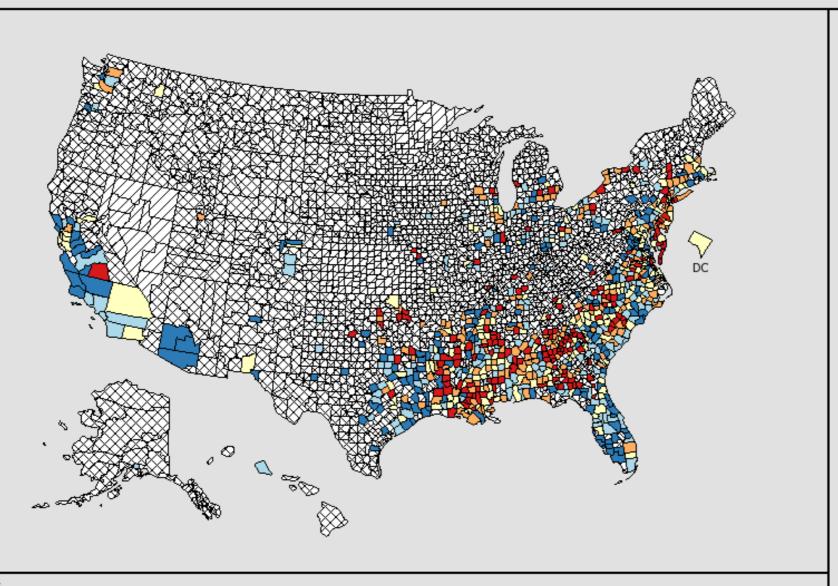
#### Death Rates by Race/Ethnicity

From 1999–2013, the rate of men dying from prostate cancer has varied, depending on their race and ethnicity. The graph below shows that in 2013, black men were more likely to die of prostate cancer than any other group, followed by white, Hispanic, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Asian/Pacific Islander men.



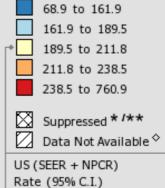
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# Incidence Rates<sup>†</sup> for United States by County Prostate, 2009 - 2013 Black (includes Hispanic), Male, All Ages



Age-Adjusted
Annual Incidence Rate
(Cases per 100,000)

#### Quantile Interval



194.3 (193.3 - 195.3)

#### Notes:

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¶¶ - Data for the United States does not include data from Nevada.

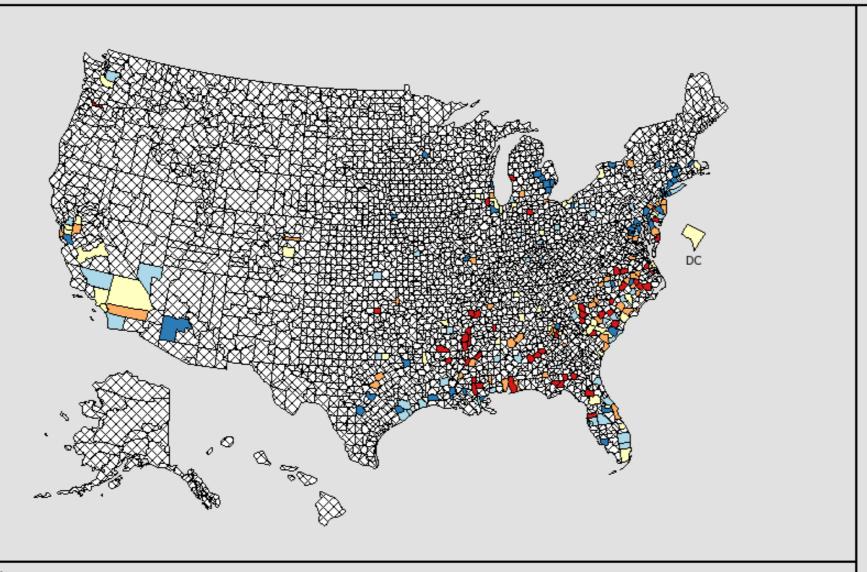
¶ - Data for the Minnesota and Kansas is not available at the county level.

State Cancer Registries may provide more current or more local data.

Data presented on the State Cancer Profiles Web Site may differ from statistics reported by the State Cancer Registries (for more information).

- Incidence rates (cases per 100,000 population per year) are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population (19 age groups: <1, 1-4, 5-9, ..., 80-84, 85+). Rates are for invasive cancer only (except for bladder which is invasive and in situ) or unless otherwise specified. Rates calculated using SEER\*Stat. Population counts for denominators are based on Census populations as modified by NCI. The 1969-2014 US Population Data File is used for SEER and NPCR incidence rates.</p>
- \* Data have been <u>suppressed</u> to ensure confidentiality and stability of rate estimates. Data is currently being suppressed if there are fewer than 16 counts for the time period.
- \*\* Data have been <u>suppressed</u> for states with a population below 50,000 per sex combination for American Indian/Alaska Native or Asian/Pacific Islanders because of concerns regarding the relatively small size of these populations in some states.
- Data not available for this combination of geography, statistic, age and race/ethnicity.

#### Death Rates for United States by County Prostate, 2009 - 2013 Black (includes Hispanic), Male, All Ages



Annual Death Rate
(Deaths per 100,000)

Quantile Interval

24.1 to 38.1

38.1 to 43.7

43.7 to 48.0

48.0 to 57.8 57.8 to 113.6

Age-Adjusted

Suppressed\*

United States Rate (95% C.I.) 44.2 (43.6 - 44.8)

Healthy People 2020 Goal C-7 21.8

#### Notes:

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Source: Death data provided by the <u>National Vital Statistics System</u> public use data file. Death rates calculated by the <u>National Cancer Institute using</u>

SEER\*Stat. Death rates (deaths per 100,000 population per year) are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population (19 age groups: <1, 1-4, 5-9, ..., 80-84, 85+). The Healthy People 2020 goals are based on rates adjusted using different methods but the differences should be minimal. Population counts for denominators are based on the Census 1969-2014 US Population Data File as modified by NCI.

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Healthy People 2020 Goal C-7: Reduce the prostate cancer death rate to 21.8.

Healthy People 2020 Objectives provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention .

#### Table 23.15 Cancer of the Prostate (Invasive)

#### Estimated United States Cancer Prevalence Counts on January 1, 2013 By Race/Ethnicity and Years Since Diagnosis

| Years Since Diagnosis          | 0 to <3 | 5 to <10 | 10 to <15 | 15 to <20 | 20 to <25 | 25 to <30 | 0 to <21e | 0 to <38e | >=38 <sup>g</sup> | Completeh |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| Race<br>All Races <sup>b</sup> | 996,735 | 835,034  | 588,312   | 302,931   | 105,849   | 16,054    | 2,810,743 | 2,849,303 | 836               | 2,850,139 |
| White <sup>b</sup>             | 793,823 | 686,303  | 496,168   | 260,108   | 95,674    | 14,647    | 2,315,571 | 2,350,701 | 988               | 2,351,689 |
| Black <sup>b</sup>             | 148,024 | 111,939  | 73,675    | 34,907    | 8,142     | 1,133     | 375,436   | 378,155   | 84                | 378,239   |
| Asian/Pacific Islander         | 21,381  | 16,882   | 10,000    | +         | +         | +         | 52,881    | +         | +                 | +         |
| Hispanic <sup>d</sup>          | 60,772  | 45,886   | 29,420    | +         | +         | +         | 150,385   | +         | +                 | +         |
|                                |         |          |           |           |           |           |           |           |                   |           |

Estimated prevalence percent on January 1, 2013, of the SEER population diagnosed in the previous 21 years By Age at Prevalence and Race/Ethnicity

|                                 | Age Specific (Crude) |     |             |         |         |         |         |         | Age-Adjustedf |          |          |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|-----|-------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|----------|
| Age at Prevalence               | All Ages             | 0-9 | 10-19       | 20-29   | 30-39   | 40-49   | 50-59   | 60-69   | 70-79         | 80+      | All Ages |
| Race_<br>All Races <sup>c</sup> | 1.5451%              | 20  | =           | 0.0003% | 0.0014% | 0.0774% | 1.0088% | 4.8974% | 11.8301%      | 15.0969% | 1.6948%  |
| White <sup>c</sup>              | 1.6325%              | EM. | <b>5</b> .0 | 0.0003% | 0.0012% | 0.0666% | 0.9540% | 4.8256% | 11.9166%      | 15.0297% | 1.6837%  |
| Black <sup>c</sup>              | 1.7495%              | -8  | -21         | -       | 0.0034% | 0.2055% | 2.0295% | 8.4702% | 17.8005%      | 20.8709% | 2.6527%  |
| Asian/Pacific Islander          | 0.7380%              | -   | _3          | _       | -       | 0.0193% | 0.3384% | 2.0299% | 5.8994%       | 9.8450%  | 0.8715%  |
| Hispanic                        | 0.5682%              | _   | _           | -       | _       | 0.0406% | 0.6020% | 3.3836% | 9.3451%       | 12.9804% | 1.3247%  |



US 2013 cancer prevalence counts are based on 2013 cancer prevalence proportions from the SEER registries and 1/1/2013 US population estimates based on the average of 2012 and 2013 population estimates from the US Bureau of the Census.

Prevalence was calculated using the First Malignant Primary Only for a person.

Statistics based on (b) SEER 9 Areas (c) SEER 13 Areas excluding the Alaska Native Registry

(d) NHIA for Hispanic for SEER 13 Areas excluding the Alaska Native Registry.

Maximum limited-duration prevalence: 38 years for 1975-2013 SEER 9 data; 21 years for 1992-2013 SEER 13 data

(excluding the Alaska Navtive Registry) used to calculate prevalence for Hispanics and Asian Pacific Islanders.

Percentages are age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population (19 age groups - Census P25-1130) by 5-year age groups. ghi (g) Cases diagnosed more than 38 years ago were estimated using the completeness index method (Capocaccia et. al. 1997, Merrill et. al. 2000). (h) Complete prevalence is obtained by summing 0 to <38 and >=38. (i) Age-specific completeness index was approximated using empirical data from historical Connecticut tumor registry.

Statistic not shown. Statistic based on fewer than 5 cases estimated alive in SEER for the time interval.

Not available.

### What Can Internists Do?



Discuss the possible risk factors.

Discuss and Complete screening in higher risk men. Refer to a urologist when PSA level is persistently elevated.

## Associations for Higher Risk

Obesity
Smoking
High Fat diet
High Red Meat Intake
Agent Orange Exposure

Established Risk Factors

Age

Being an American Black Man Prostate Cancer in Father or Brother



## Prostate Cancer Guidelines

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) recommends against prostate-specific antigen (PSA)-based screening for prostate cancer.

But

Majority of men diagnosed with prostate cancer underwent biopsy because an abnormal PSA.

## Fight for Screening



**ERSPC VS PLCO** 

Both resulted in little or no affect on prostate cancer specific mortality.



#### 2013 Guideline Statements

- 1: The Panel recommends against PSA screening in men under age 40 years. (Recommendation; Evidence Strength Grade C)
- In this age group there is a low prevalence of clinically detectable prostate cancer, no evidence demonstrating benefit of screening and likely the same harms of screening as in other age groups.

**Guideline Statement** 

- 2: The Panel does not recommend routine screening in men between ages 40 to 54 years at average risk. (Recommendation; Evidence Strength Grade C)
- For men younger than age 55 years at higher risk (e.g. positive family history or African American race), decisions regarding prostate cancer screening should be individualized.

**Guideline Statement** 

- 3: For men ages 55 to 69 years the Panel recognizes that the decision to undergo PSA screening involves weighing the benefits of preventing prostate cancer mortality in 1 man for every 1,000 men screened over a decade against the known potential harms associated with screening and treatment. For this reason, the Panel strongly recommends shared decision-making for men age 55 to 69 years that are considering PSA screening, and proceeding based on a man's values and preferences. (Standard; Evidence Strength Grade B)
- The greatest benefit of screening appears to be in men ages 55 to 69 years.

**Guideline Statement** 

- 4: To reduce the harms of screening, a routine screening interval of two years or more may be preferred over annual screening in those men who have participated in shared decision-making and decided on screening. As compared to annual screening, it is expected that screening intervals of two years preserve the majority of the benefits and reduce overdiagnosis and false positives. (Option; Evidence Strength Grade C)
- Additionally, intervals for rescreening can be individualized by a baseline PSA level.

**Guideline Statement** 

- 5: The Panel does not recommend routine PSA screening in men age 70+ years or any man with less than a 10 to 15 year life expectancy. (Recommendation; Evidence Strength Grade C)
- Some men age 70+ years who are in excellent health may benefit from prostate cancer screening.

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#### Guidelines 2016

The ACS recommends that asymptomatic men who have at least a 10-year life expectancy have an opportunity to make an informed decision with their health care provider about screening for prostate cancer after they receive information about the uncertainties, risks, and potential benefits associated with prostate cancer screening. Prostate cancer screening should not occur without an informed decision-making process. Men at average risk should receive this information beginning at age 50 years. Men in higher risk groups should receive this information before age 50 years. Men should either receive this information directly from their health care providers or be referred to reliable and culturally appropriate sources. Patient decision aids are helpful in preparing men to make a decision whether to be tested. CA Cancer J Clin 2010;60:70–98. © 2010 American Cancer Society, Inc.



#### Guidelines 2016

- 1.PSA screening should not occur unless a man with a 10 year life expectance has given informed consent after discussing their prostate cancer risk and risks and benefits of PSA screening with their healthcare provider.
- 2.Discuss the risks and benefits of PSA screening with men older than 50 and men less than 50 with high risk of prostate cancer.

For men who choose to be screened for prostate cancer after considering the possible benefits and risks:

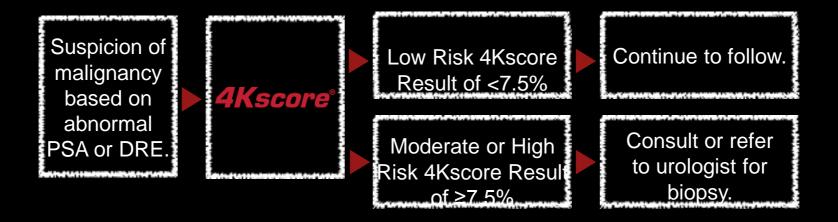
- Screening is recommended with PSA with or without DRE.
- Screening should be conducted yearly for men whose PSA level is 2.5 ng/mL or greater. For men whose PSA is less than 2.5 ng/mL, screening intervals can be extended to every 2 years.
- A PSA level of 4.0 ng/mL or greater historically has been used to recommend referral for further evaluation or biopsy, which remains a reasonable approach for men at average risk for prostate cancer.
- For PSA levels between 2.5 ng/mL and 4.0 ng/mL, health care providers should consider an individualized risk assessment that incorporates other risk factors for prostate cancer, particularly for high-grade cancer, that may be used to recommend a biopsy. Factors that increase the risk of prostate cancer include African American race, family history of prostate cancer, increasing age, and abnormal DRE. A previous negative biopsy lowers the risk. Methods are available that merge this information to achieve an estimate of a man's overall risk of prostate cancer and, more specifically, of his risk of high-grade prostate cancer (see "Beyond Prostate-Specific Antigen: Individualized Risk Assessment," below).

## New Horizons

PHI, p2PSA, Free PSA, 4 kallikrein assay



- Low Risk: 4Kscore result <7.5%</li>
- Intermediate Risk: 4Kscore result 7.5-19%
- High Risk: 4Kscore result ≥20%



#### LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS:

Do not use the 4Kscore Test for a patient:

- With a previous diagnosis of prostate cancer.
- That has received a DRE in the previous 96 hours (4 days) before phlebotomy. A DRE performed after the phlebotomy is acceptable.
- That has received 5-alpha reductase inhibitor (5-ARI) therapy, such as Avodart® (dutasteride) or Proscar® (finasteride), within the previous six (6) months.
- That has undergone any procedure or therapy to treat symptomatic BPH or any invasive, urologic procedure that may be associated with a secondary PSA elevation prior to phlebotomy within the previous six (6) months.

## Don't believe the hype!



## Keep this in Mind

Biological Distinct Human Races Do Not Exist.

The genes of American Black men are not predominantly responsible for the disparity in cases of prostate cancer.

It is not Scientific Fact that Darker skin innately increases the risk of Black American men developing prostate cancer.

Black Americans in the U.S. have higher incidence and mortality in a variety of cancers.

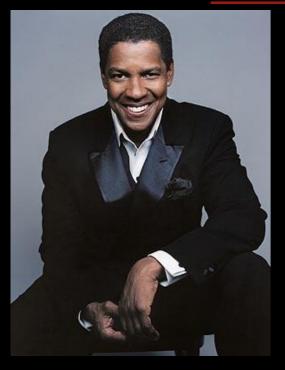
Public health data and other studies suggest cultural and environmental causes may be responsible for much of the disparity.

Prostate cancer incidents rates can vary among all men according to geography and culture.

## Conclusion

DO NOT TELL YOUR BLACK MALE PATIENTS THAT THEIR DNA IS THE PROBLEM.

# Assuming because your patient is born



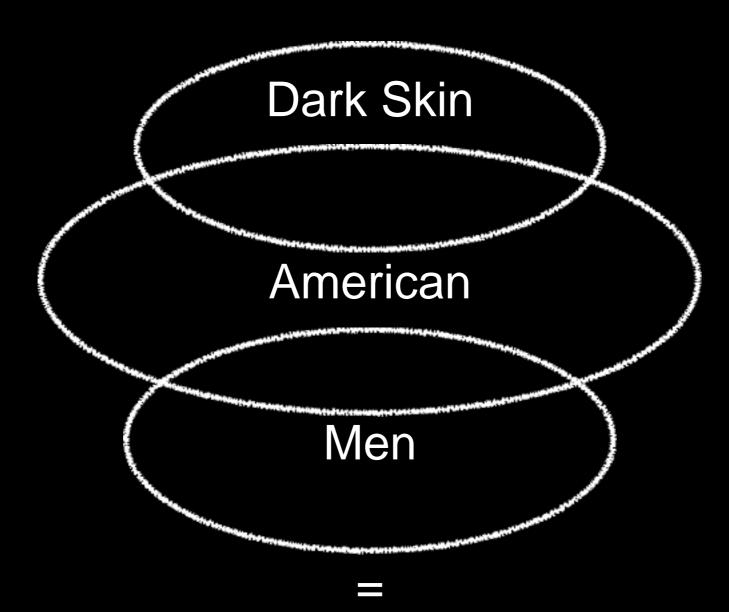


Higher incidence
Prostate Cancer
and Cancer
Mortality

= Pseudoscience

Prostate Cancer risk is mostly acquired.

Disparities in health and health outcomes.



Consequences Cultural/Social Position and Environmental Exposures

Increased risk of prostate cancer and poor health outcomes



- · Prostate Cancer is prevalent and American Black men are diagnosed and die with prostate cancer disproportionately.
- We can have a great impact now by treating patients as individuals while assessing and discussing their risk.
  - Do not assume nor treat Black men like the increased risk of prostate cancer is mostly due to their DNA, it's most likely due to the affect of the environment and society/culture on their bodies.

Focus on decreasing possible acquired risk factors.

Discuss screening with those at high risk.

Test high risk patients per AUA/ACS guidelines.

Refer them to urology as soon as possible if needed.

## Don't Miss It.



# Disclosures

NONE

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