

September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Prostate cancer is the most common cancer found in American men.

Increased age and family history of the disease are the major risk factors. Prostate cancer is more common among African-American men. The chance of developing the disease dramatically increases at age 55 and is predominant in men over 65.

Early prostate cancer often causes no symptoms. If you have concerns about prostate cancer, ask your doctor about available diagnostic tests and whether they're right for you.

Most men with prostate cancer survive it. Treatment depends on the stage of the cancer, your age, and general health, and may include active monitoring, surgery, radiation therapy or other methods. Talk to your doctor about which treatment is best for you.

For more information on prostate cancer risks, screening, diagnosis and treatment, visit:

RadiologyInfo.org:

- Ultrasound of the Prostate (<http://www.radiologyinfo.org/en/info/us-prostate>)
- MRI of the Prostate (http://www.radiologyinfo.org/en/info/mr_prostate)
- Prostate Cancer (<http://www.radiologyinfo.org/en/info/prostate-cancer>)
- Prostate Cancer Treatment (http://www.radiologyinfo.org/en/info/pros_cancer)
- External Beam Therapy (<http://www.radiologyinfo.org/en/info/ebrt>)
- Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT) (<http://www.radiologyinfo.org/en/info/imrt>)

Outside websites:

- RTAnswers.com: Radiation Therapy for Prostate Cancer (<http://www.rtanswers.org/prostatecancer/>)
- National Cancer Institute: Prostate Cancer (<https://www.cancer.gov/types/prostate>)
- American Cancer Society: Prostate Cancer (<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/prostate-cancer.html>)

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