



What is Prostate Cancer?

UNDERSTANDING PROSTATE CANCER

The prostate is a small gland located below the bladder. It is part of the male reproductive system.

Prostate cancer occurs when a normal prostate cell becomes altered and starts growing in an uncontrolled way.

For many men, prostate cancer is relatively slow-growing. However, some cases are more fast-growing and aggressive and need more urgent treatment.

HOW COMMON IS PROSTATE CANCER?

Approximately **1 in 8 men in the U.S. will be diagnosed with prostate cancer** during his lifetime—about the same rate as women and breast cancer. **For Black men, 1 in 6 will develop the disease.** Prostate cancer is the second most commonly diagnosed type of cancer in men, after skin cancer.

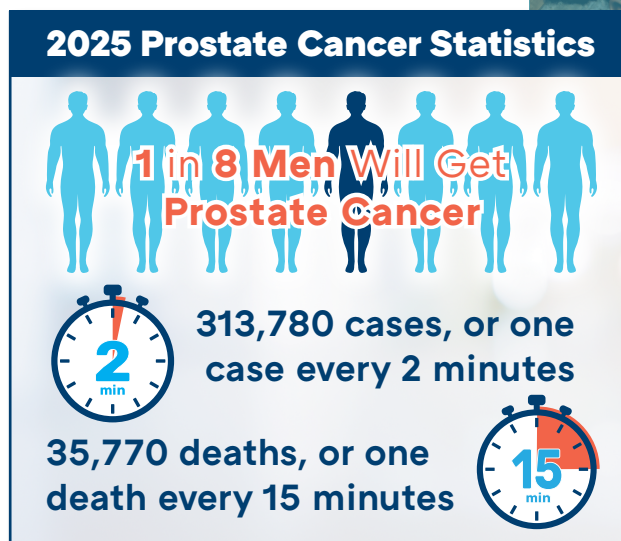


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WHAT ARE SYMPTOMS OF PROSTATE CANCER?

Prostate cancer often has no symptoms until the disease is advanced. This is why early detection of prostate cancer is so important.

Symptoms can include changes in urination or ejaculation, or pain in the lower back and pelvis.



CAN I BE SCREENED FOR PROSTATE CANCER?

Yes. Screening may help detect cancer early, when the chances of treatment success are high. **Screening starts with a simple blood test.** Talk to your doctor about the risks and benefits of screening.

