



NATIONWIDE INCIDENCE RATE

1 IN 8 MEN
will be diagnosed with
prostate cancer in their lifetime

3.3+ MILLION MEN
currently diagnosed with prostate cancer

This year in the United States:
New cases: **299,010** | Deaths: **35,250**

VETERANS ARE 1.5X
more likely to get prostate cancer

AFRICAN AMERICAN MEN ARE 2.1X
more likely to die of prostate cancer.

INCIDENCE RATE IN TENNESSEE

116.1 IN EVERY 100,000 MEN
will be diagnosed with
prostate cancer in their lifetime

19.4 IN EVERY 100,000 MEN
die from the disease

This year in Tennessee:
New cases: **6,150** | Deaths: **750**

NATIONAL RANKINGS BY STATE:

#19 for prostate cancer incidence
#30 for prostate cancer deaths

Source: Estimates based on 2024 data from the American Cancer Society

ZERO's Impact in Tennessee

Patient Programs

- **ZERO360** is a free, comprehensive support service that helps patients and their loved ones navigate insurance, find resources to help pay for treatment and living expenses, connect with emotional support services, and ensure access to care.
- **ZERO's nationwide Us TOO support group network** offers a variety of peer-led virtual and in-person groups offering emotional support, resources, and education to empower those impacted by prostate cancer to make informed decisions about their care.
- **ZERO's MENtor program** matches patients with trained, volunteer MENtors who have been on a similar journey to provide ongoing, one-on-one support.
- **ZERO Connect** is our online private Facebook group where you can connect with others affected by prostate cancer, ask questions, and learn from their experiences.

CDMRP* Grants in Tennessee

Year Introduced: 1997

Total Grants to Date: 60

Total Grand Awards Through FY 2022:** \$21.9M

* Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs

**PCRP (Prostate Cancer Research Program) data for FY 2023 has not yet been posted

GRANT RECIPIENT	YEAR	AMOUNT
Vanderbilt University	2014	\$842,214
	1999	\$2,419,924
Meharry Medical College, Nashville	2021	\$1,054,537
University of Tennessee Health Science Center	2021	\$975,531
	2017	\$843,694

CDC's National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program (NCCCP) Funding in Tennessee:

- **Goal:** To promote informed decision-making regarding issues associated with prostate cancer and prostate cancer screenings.
- **Objective:** Identify disparities in prostate cancer incidence and mortality among population groups in Tennessee.
- **Strategy:** Regularly review data provided to the TC2 surveillance committee by the Tennessee Cancer Registry and/or obtained from the State Cancer Profiles web site to identify disparities in prostate cancer incidence and mortality.
- **Strategy:** Collaborate with Tennessee Cancer Coalition (TC2) regional coalitions to plan educational programs to address regional disparities.
- **Objective:** Increase educational opportunities for all citizens of Tennessee related to prevention, detection, and treatment of prostate cancer by hosting one activity in each of the TC2 regions by 2017.
- **Strategy:** Work with Tennessee Department of Health Minority Health Office, Tennessee Men's Health Network, UsToo and others to present culturally appropriate, informed decision-making programs to minority population males on the need and effectiveness of prostate cancer screening.
- **Strategy:** Work with the TC2 advocacy committee to support a legislative action to provide printed material on the risks and benefits of screening and treatment choices to all men diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- **Objective:** Increase primary care physician knowledge of the risks and potential benefits of prostate cancer screening and encourage discussion with appropriate male patients.
- **Strategy:** Facilitate distribution to and understanding by primary care physicians of the American Cancer Society's "New Prostate Cancer Screening Guidelines for Health Professionals" in the state of Tennessee.

(continued from previous page) CDC's National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program (NCCCP) Funding in Tennessee:

- **Objective:** Facilitate partnership with churches within the African American community to encourage physician/patient dialogue about the appropriateness of prostate cancer screening.
- **Strategy:** Work with pastors from primarily African American congregations to encourage physician dialogue regarding prostate cancer screening.
- **Strategy:** Utilize CDC Prostate Cancer Screening: A Decision Guide For African Americans as an educational tool. Meet with the "Ladies Circle" groups to educate them about the importance of the men in their lives discussing prostate cancer screening with their physicians.
- **Objective:** Establish funding for Prostate Cancer Awareness and Treatment.
- **Strategy:** Facilitate advocacy for Prostate Cancer at the state and national level.
- **Strategy:** Advocate at the state and national level for additional funding to improve the lives of men with prostate cancer and raise awareness to decrease the death rate.
- **Strategy:** Advocate nationally to bring an increased awareness in the federal government and increase needed resources for the state of Tennessee to fight Prostate Cancer.

ZERO Prostate Cancer is the leading national nonprofit with the mission to end prostate cancer. ZERO advances research, improves the lives of men and families, and inspires action. Visit our website: www.zerocancer.org.

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