

Cancer remains one of our nation's most significant public health challenges:

- **2 million new cases diagnosed annually;**
- **Over 600,000 deaths each year;**
- **The United States has one of the highest age-standardized cancer rates globally;**
- **Cancer care costs our nation \$185 billion annually;**

The Division of Cancer Prevention and Control (DCPC), part of the CDC's National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, has been instrumental in reducing cancer mortality rates by 34% over the past 30 years. **This remarkable progress is now threatened by proposed funding cuts that would devastate our national cancer prevention infrastructure.**



## CORE FUNCTIONS

### National Program of Cancer Registries

Collects and coordinates key data on cancer cases and treatment.

Promotes and conducts cancer screening to detect cancer at the earliest — and most easily treated — stages.

### National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program

Funds state and local health departments to meet the cancer-related needs of their communities.

### National Colorectal Cancer Control Program

Increases colorectal cancer screening among people who are 45 to 75 years old.

### National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program

Provides free screening and diagnostic services.

### Prostate Cancer

Promotes awareness and education for high-risk men.

Investment in DCPC programs represents a smart, cost-effective approach to public health. By focusing on prevention and early detection, these programs help reduce the massive economic burden of cancer treatment while saving lives.

The DCPC's work provides the foundation for evidence-based policy decisions, targeted intervention strategies, and efficient resource allocation. Their efforts are fundamental to achieving national healthcare goals and maintaining America's progress against cancer.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

We ask Congress to protect the work of the DCPC, as maintaining and strengthening DCPC funding is crucial for continuing our progress in cancer prevention, protecting public health investments, and supporting state and local cancer control efforts. **Without this vital program, we risk losing decades of progress in the fight against cancer.**