

Cancer_oNet™ Bulletin

Trusted cancer information from the American Society of Clinical Oncology

THIS MONTH ON CANCER.NET: Latest news on prostate and bladder cancer, what to know about a new guideline on drugs to help prevent prostate cancer, HPV and cancer, the latest advances in lung cancer, and lots more!

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What to Know About ASCO's Guidelines

The latest guideline on drugs to help prevent prostate cancer hold important messages for men and offer helpful questions to ask the doctor. What should you know about ASCO's clinical practice guidelines? To start, the guidelines are developed by medical experts to help doctors and patients make decisions about specific areas of cancer care.

Check out the **What to Know** guides that explain what the guidelines and recommendations mean for you, what questions to ask your doctor, and where to find more information.

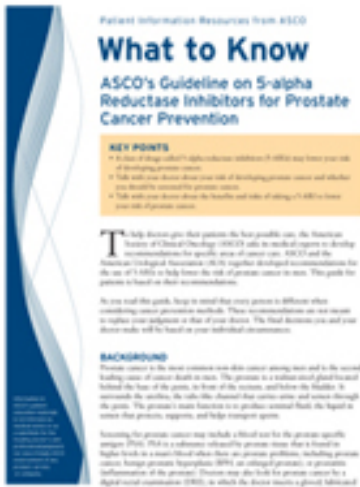
Must See

Latest News on Prostate and Bladder Cancer: What do the research advances from the **2009 Genitourinary Cancers Symposium** mean for you? Get an **expert perspective** from Howard Sandler, MD, MS, and listen to his **podcast**.

New Guideline on Drugs to Prevent Prostate Cancer: Read what to know about a class of drugs that may lower the risk of developing prostate cancer.



courtesy of Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University



Cancer.Net Feature Articles

Practical, how-to information on a variety of topics for people living with cancer. The latest Features include:

HPV and Cancer

This common sexually transmitted virus may cause some types of cancer. Learn more about this link and how to protect yourself.

Understanding Targeted Treatments

These newer drugs may be a part of your treatment plan. Read how they work.

Colonoscopy-What to Expect

Know beforehand what will happen during this procedure to help find early signs of colon cancer.

After Treatment for Prostate Cancer: Managing Side Effects

Some treatments may cause side effects, such as incontinence and impotence. Learn how to manage them with the help of your doctor.

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Cancer.Net Podcasts

Free audio files that address a variety of topics important to Cancer.Net visitors, providing a new option on how to receive doctor-approved information.

What's New in Lung Cancer, with Mark Kris, MD

Cancer.Net's Associate Editor for Lung Cancer explains the latest advances.

Tests and Procedures: What to Expect

In addition to a colonoscopy and other tests to screen for colorectal cancer, more procedures to help detect cancer or to see whether treatment is working may be needed. But many questions often arise, such as, "What will I need to do beforehand? What will happen during the test? And how quickly afterwards may I return to my normal activities?" Get answers to your questions on these common **tests and procedures**, including:

- Biopsy
- Bone marrow biopsy and aspiration
- Bone scan
- Computed tomography

(CT) scan
 Digital rectal
 examination (DRE)
 Endoscopic techniques
 Magnetic resonance
 imaging (MRI)
 Mammography
 Pap test
 Positron emission
 tomography (PET) scan
 Ultrasound

Plus, listen to **podcasts** to get a step-by-step preview of several tests.

For more information on *Diagnosis and Treatment*, use the blue navigation bar below to explore this and other sections of Cancer.Net.

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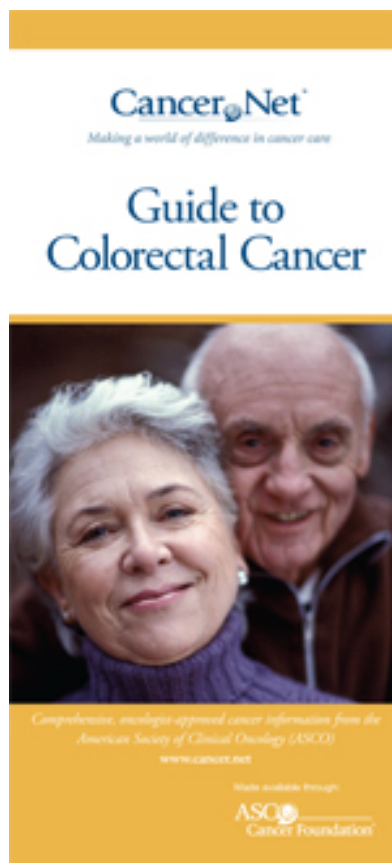
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Have you seen...



March is National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

From screening to treatment to follow-up care, get the information you need about colorectal cancer. Start with a **fact sheet** that describes where colorectal cancer starts, explains how to treat it, and defines helpful terms to know. For more details, check out the full **Cancer.Net Guide to Colorectal Cancer** and **order your free copies today**. Plus, get **ASCO's recommendation on KRAS testing** for people with colorectal cancer and read what to know about ASCO's guideline on **follow-up care for colorectal cancer**.

Updated Information on Prostate Cancer

Download your free copy of the **Cancer.Net Guide to Prostate Cancer**. Featuring new information on health disparities, this easy-to-read guide explains the basics on risk factors and prevention, symptoms, tests and diagnostic examinations, staging, treatment options, clinical trials resources, and current research. Plus, get a handy list of questions to ask the doctor before or after a diagnosis.

For more information about ASCO's patient information resources, visit www.cancer.net or call 888-651-3038.



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Latest Updates to ASCO Answers Fact Sheets. Several of the website's fact sheets have been recently updated, including:

- Brain Tumor
- Cervical Cancer
- Esophageal Cancer
- Liver Cancer
- Lung Cancer
- Melanoma
- Multiple Myeloma
- Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma
- Oral and Oropharyngeal Cancer
- Ovarian Cancer
- Prostate Cancer
- Thyroid Cancer
- Uterine Cancer

Quick Links

Direct access to key sections of Cancer.Net:

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