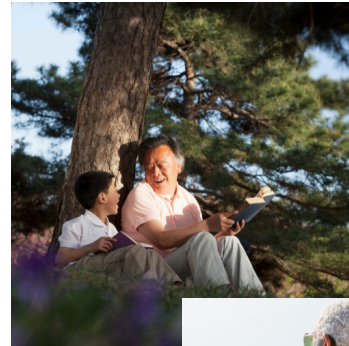


National Minority Cancer Awareness Month is observed in April. This month aims to raise awareness about cancer disparities among minority populations, such as African Americans, Hispanic Americans, Asian Americans, and Native Americans. According to the ACS's Facts and Figures:

- Cancer is the second leading cause of death among Hispanic people accounting for 17% of deaths.
- Compared with non-Hispanic Whites, Hispanic men and women are less likely to be diagnosed with the most common cancers, i.e. lung, colorectal, breast, and prostate AND more likely to develop cancer in the liver, stomach, and cervix.
- Black people have the highest death rate for many cancers, including breast and prostate, the two most common cancers in men and women.
- Black women are 38% more likely to die from breast cancer than White women, despite slightly lower incidence rates.
- Black people have lower survival than White people for almost every cancer type.
- Cancer is the leading cause of death in Chinese, Filipino, Korean, and Vietnamese people.
- Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander people are 75% more likely to die from liver cancer and 2 to 3 times more likely to die from cervical, stomach, and endometrial cancers compared to White people.

ACS offers a wide range of screening and prevention materials in multiple languages. To check availability, please reach out to your ACS staff partner.

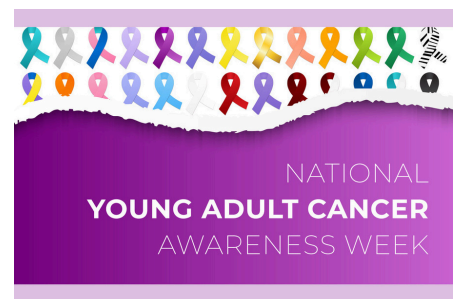


AYA Week April 1st - April 5th

The first week of April is Adolescent and Young Adult (AYA) Cancer Awareness Week. This annual awareness week is an opportunity to shine a light on the unique challenges that teen and young adult cancer patients and survivors face.

There is no strict definition of what separates "childhood cancers" from cancers in young adults, or when exactly a person is no longer a young adult. But cancers in young adults are often thought of as those that start in people between the ages of 20 and 39.

- About 80,000 young adults aged 20 to 39 are diagnosed with cancer each year in the United States. About 4% of all cancers are diagnosed in people in this age range.
- About 9,000 young adults die from cancer each year.



To learn more about the most common cancers in young adults please visit the following links:

[Risk Factors and Causes](#)

[Key Statistics](#)

[Treating Cancers in Young Adults](#)