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Hudson County Board of Commissioners recognize September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in Hudson County

Hudson County- The Hudson County Board of Commissioners proclaims the month of September 2023 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in the County of Hudson.

Approximately 288,300 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in the United States, with an estimated 9,460 cases in New Jersey alone.

Men with relatives - fathers, brothers, sons - with a history of prostate cancer are twice as likely to develop the disease.

Veterans exposed to herbicides such as Agent Orange are at an increased risk for developing an aggressive form of the disease.

One in eight men are diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime. An estimated 1 in 6 African American men will develop prostate cancer in their lifetime; 1 in 5 cancer diagnoses for Hispanic men are prostate cancer.

Prostate cancer is the most diagnosed cancer for American men and is the third leading cause of cancer-related death after lung and colon cancer.

Many more men are projected to be diagnosed in 2023 at a later stage due to delayed

screenings and treatment due to COVID-19.

Early detection of prostate cancer results in a five-year survival rate of nearly 100% compared to a late-stage diagnosis with a survival rate of 31%.

Public health education and early detection screenings are pivotal in saving lives and protecting our families. Increased awareness in tools such as PSA screenings and a collective focus on alleviating the socio-economic barriers that create a burden for struggling families who are tackling prostate cancer.

All men are at risk of developing prostate cancer and we encourage the residents of Hudson County to increase the importance of prostate awareness and screenings.

Board Chairman Anthony Romano and the Hudson County Board of Commissioners proclaims the month of September 2023, to be Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in Hudson County.

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