

# Be Prostate Aware



This year, nearly 300,000 men will learn they have prostate cancer.\*
Learn who's at risk and what to do about it.

# **Determine Your Risk**

Prostate cancer can affect any man, though certain factors increase your risk.

### Age

After you turn 50, your risk increases. Nearly 60% of cases occur after age 65.\*

### **Ethnicity**

Prostate cancer affects more men—including younger men—of African ancestry.

# Genes

Genetic mutations can make you more likely to have prostate cancer. A family history of prostate cancer also ups your risk.

Source: \*American Cancer Society



## **Check and Detect**

Diagnosis relies on the following:

## **Symptoms**

Tell your healthcare provider if you experience lower back pain, a weak urine stream and pain when ejaculating.

## **Screenings**

Digital rectal exams and prostatespecific antigen tests can identify abnormalities in your prostate and blood.

## **Biopsy**

For a definitive diagnosis of prostate cancer, a provider must remove and evaluate a sample of prostate tissue.

## **Take Action**

Treatment options depend on the stage of cancer and your preferences.

Active surveillance.
Instead of starting treatment, you monitor low-risk prostate cancer. If it progresses, you start treatment.

Traditional treatment.
Standard treatment includes surgery to remove the prostate and radiation therapy to destroy cancerous cells.

Focal therapy.
Advanced treatment options destroy cancerous cells through cold, heat or electrical pulses.

Find a provider to discuss prostate cancer screening options: weillcornell.org/doctors

