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Early-Age Onset Workgroup Research Learning Session #5

Agenda

12:00-12:10p ET	Welcome and Introductions: Elsa Weltzien and Andrea (Andi) Dwyer
12:10 - 12:25p ET	Dr. Ann Zauber: Current rates and/or trends in incidence, mortality, stage at presentation, survival, and differences between Black & White individuals; Reasons for disparities
12:25-12:40p ET	Dr. Darrell Gray: intended and unintended consequences of lowering the screening age from 50 to 45
12:40-12:55p ET	Dr. Fola May: What we know about evidence-based interventions and application to the 45-49 year old populations. Needs for future research and where we go from here
12:55-1:55p ET	Discussion
1:55-2:00p ET	Close out and next steps: Andi Dwyer



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June 24th, 11-3:30pm EST: The Patient Voice

June 25th, 11-3:30pm EST: Research Efforts & Outcomes

- Registration is FREE, we need your voice at the table
- Call for Abstracts open through May 7, scientific and advocacy submissions accepted.

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Challenges and Opportunities in Achieving Health Equity: Epidemiology and Demographics

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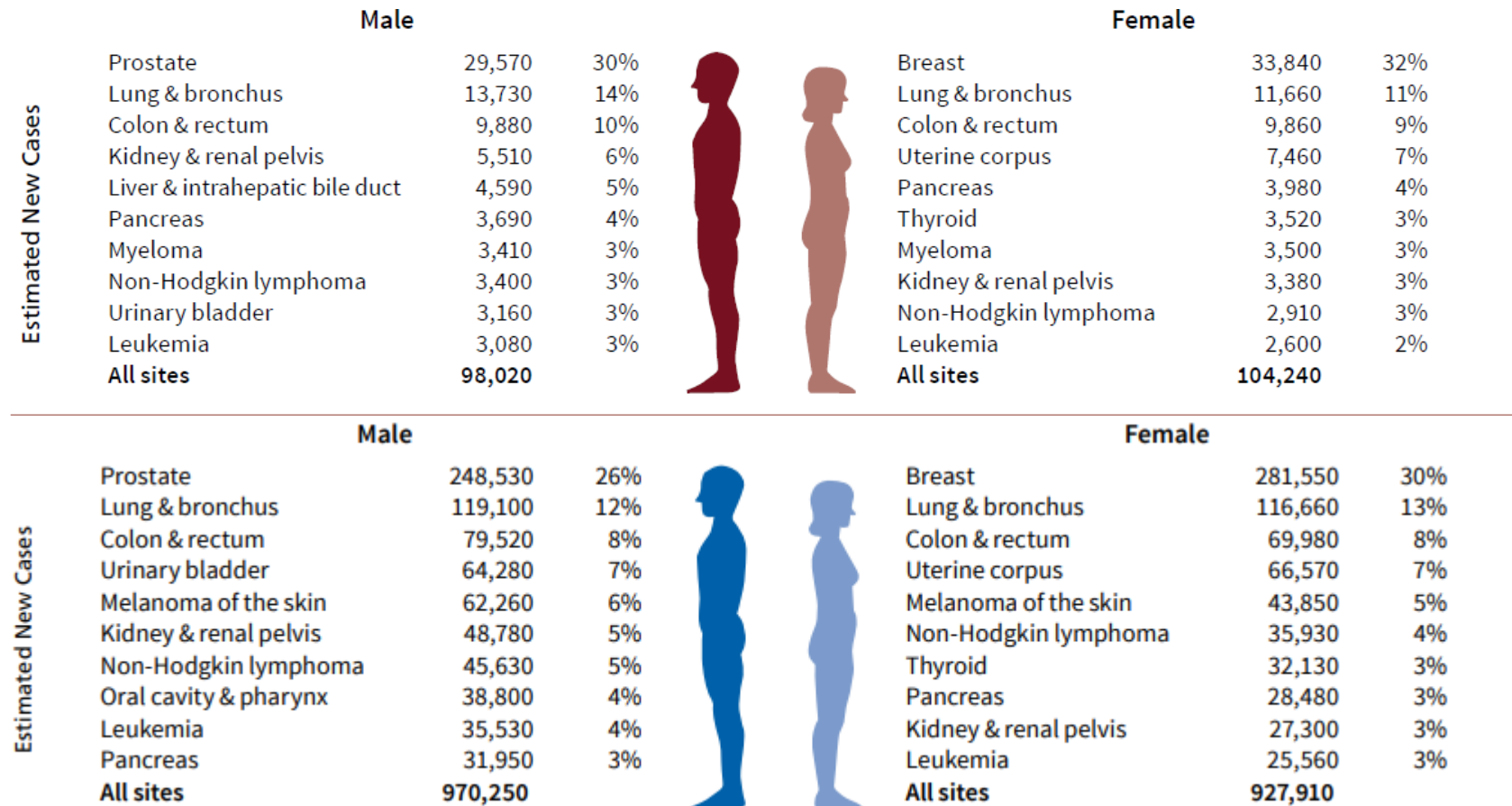
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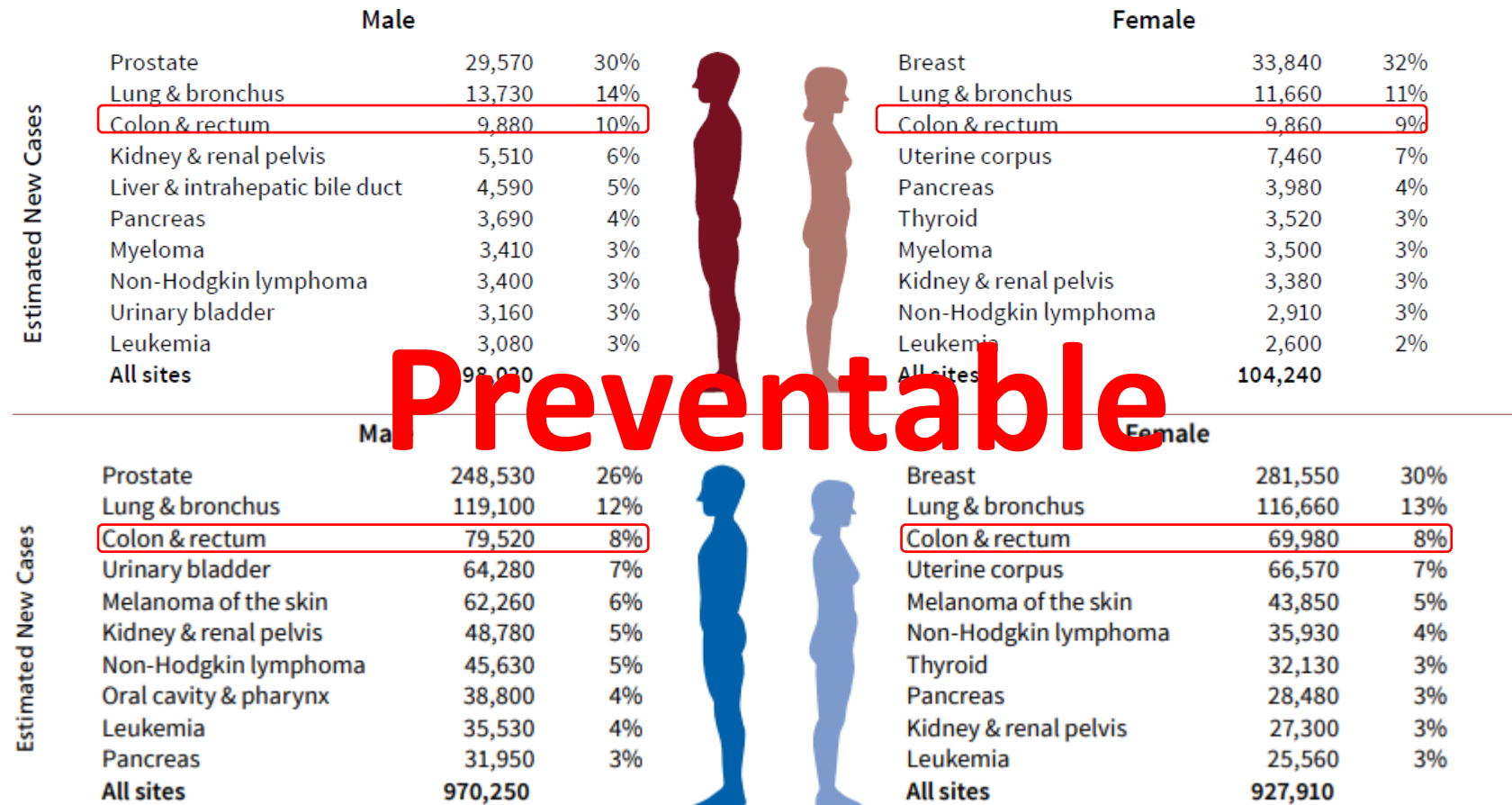
Outline:

- Background
- Trends over time:
 - Incidence
 - Mortality
 - Stage at diagnosis/survival
- Microsimulation modeling and race
- Adherence and race

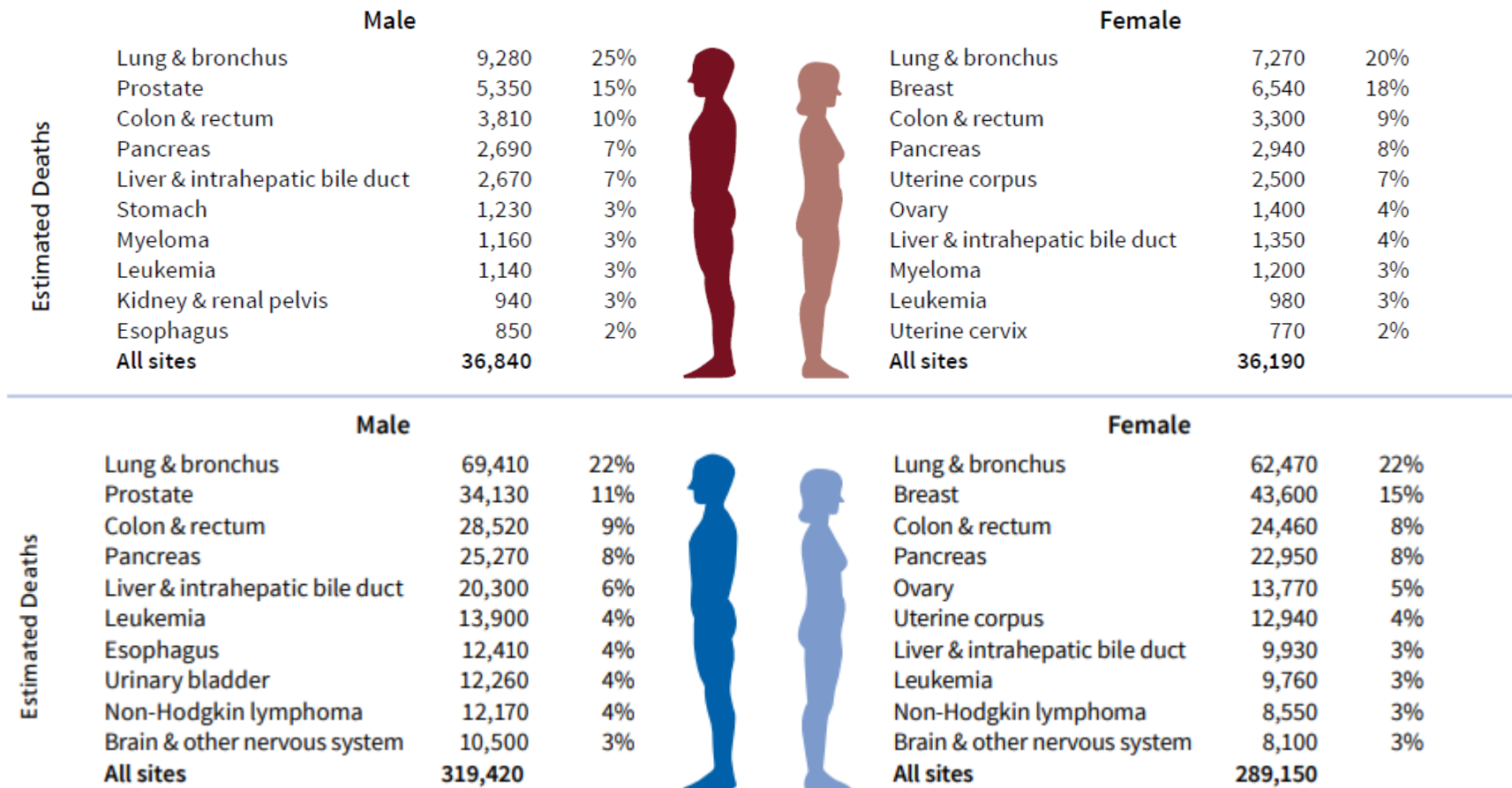
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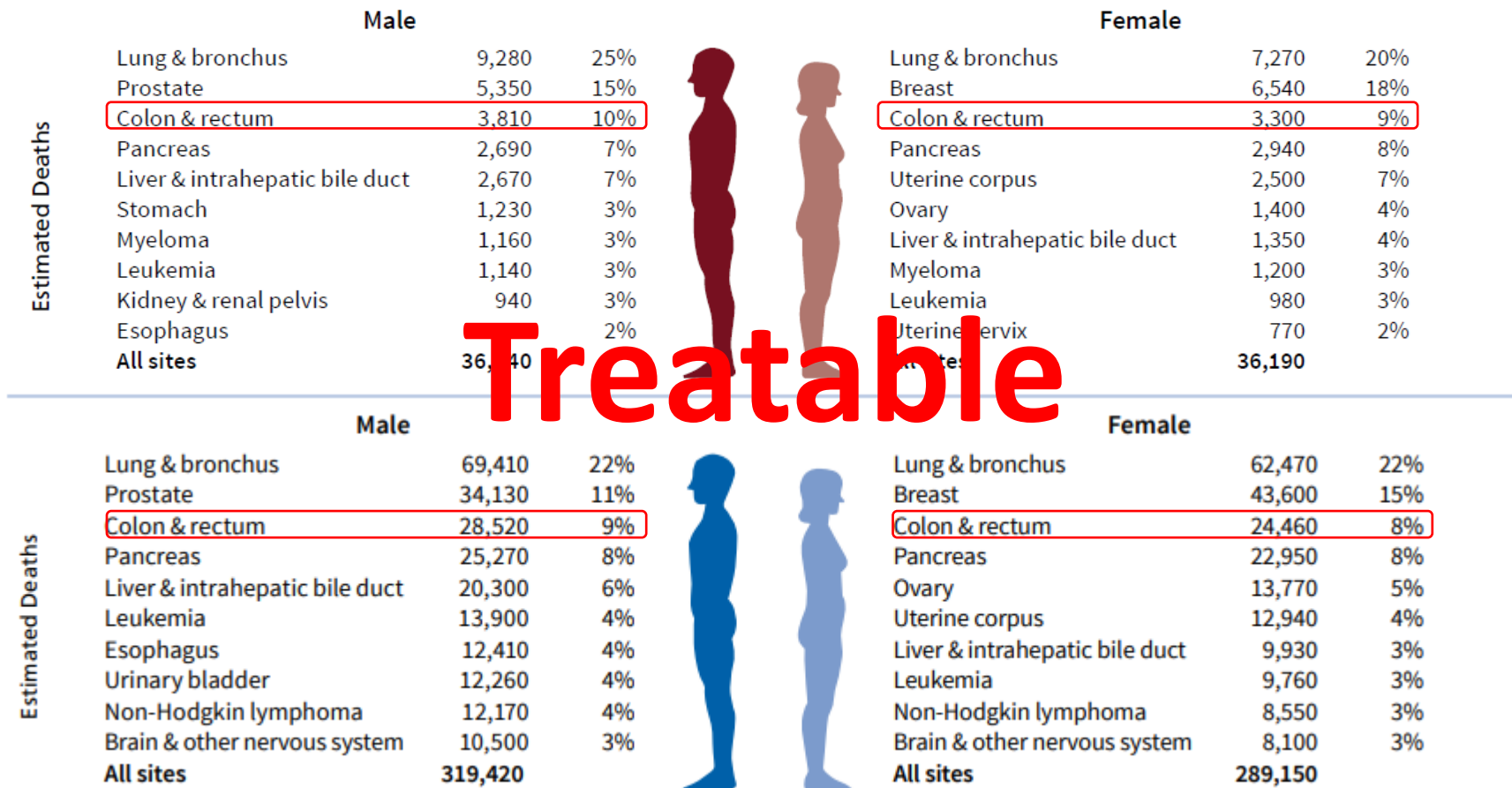
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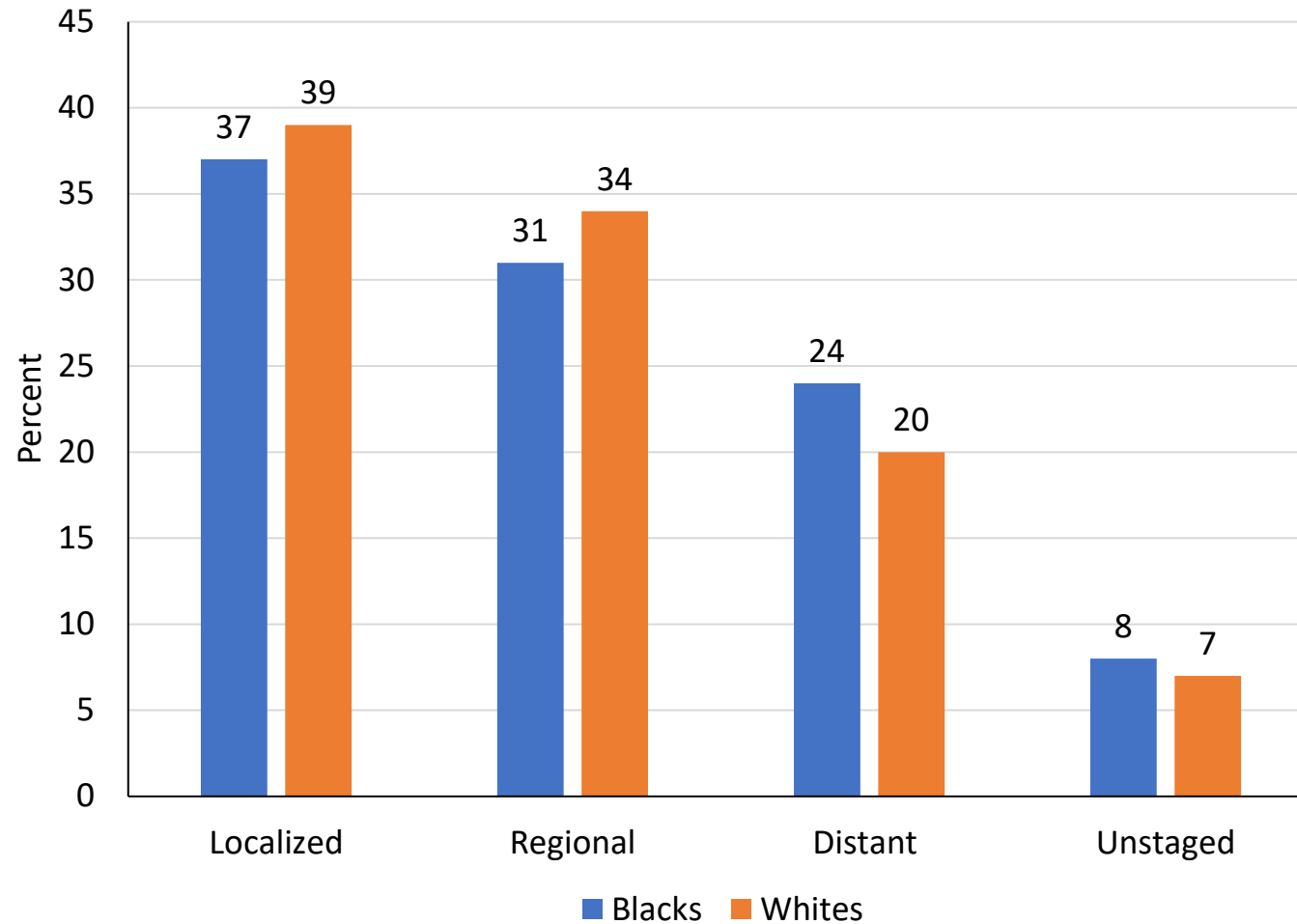
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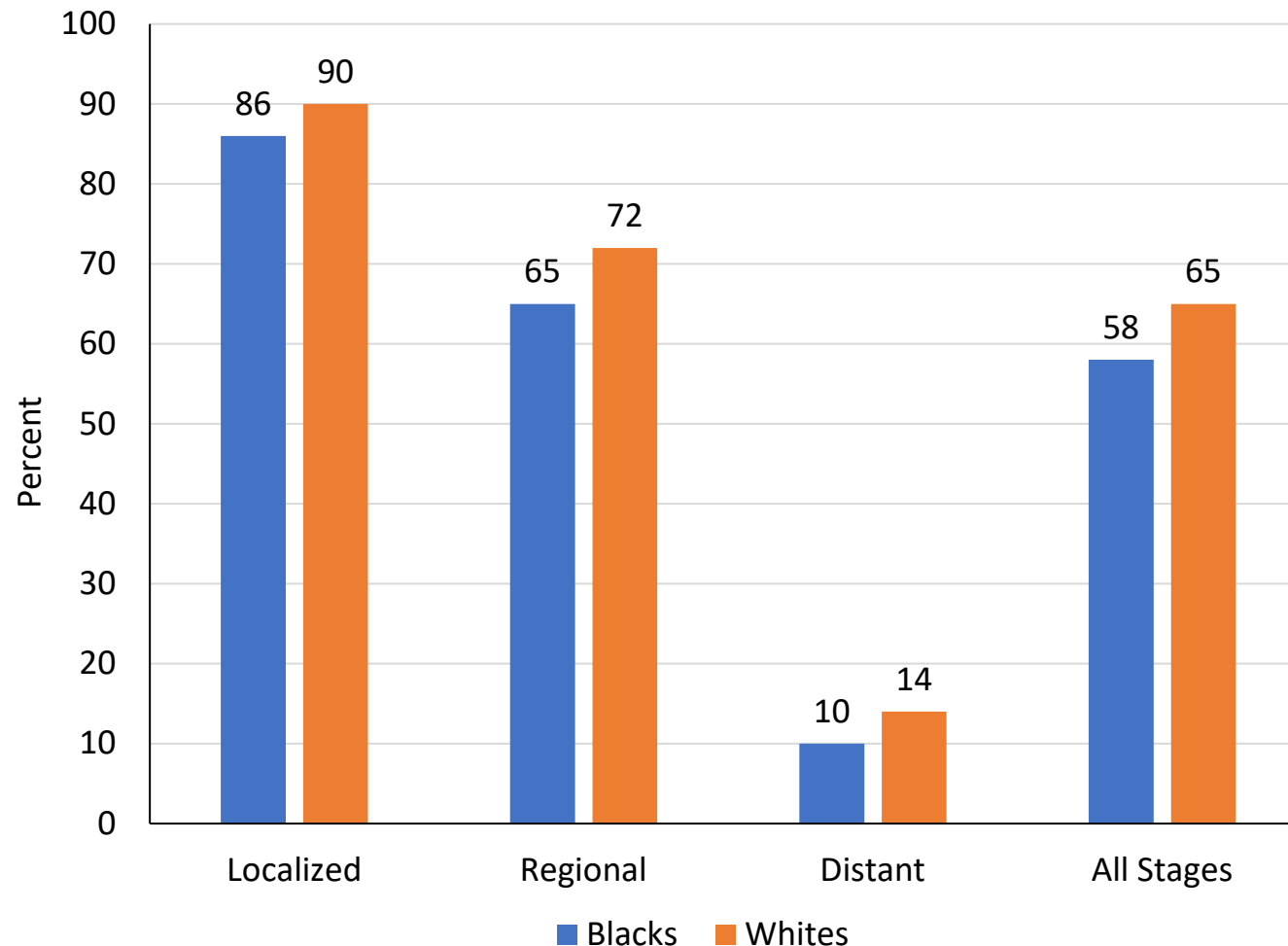
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Stage Distribution of CRC by Race

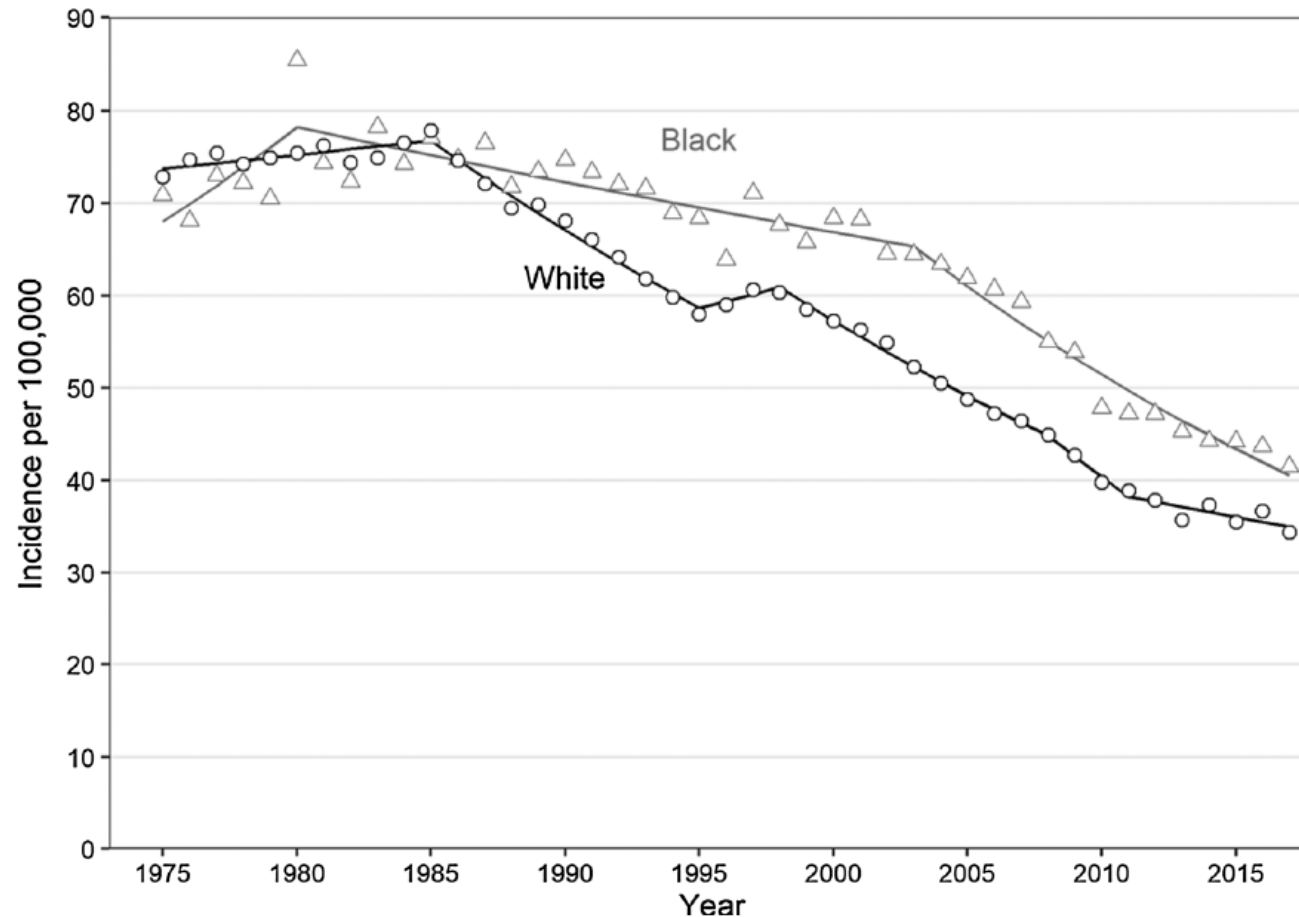


Five-Year CRC Relative Survival Rates By Race and Stage in the US

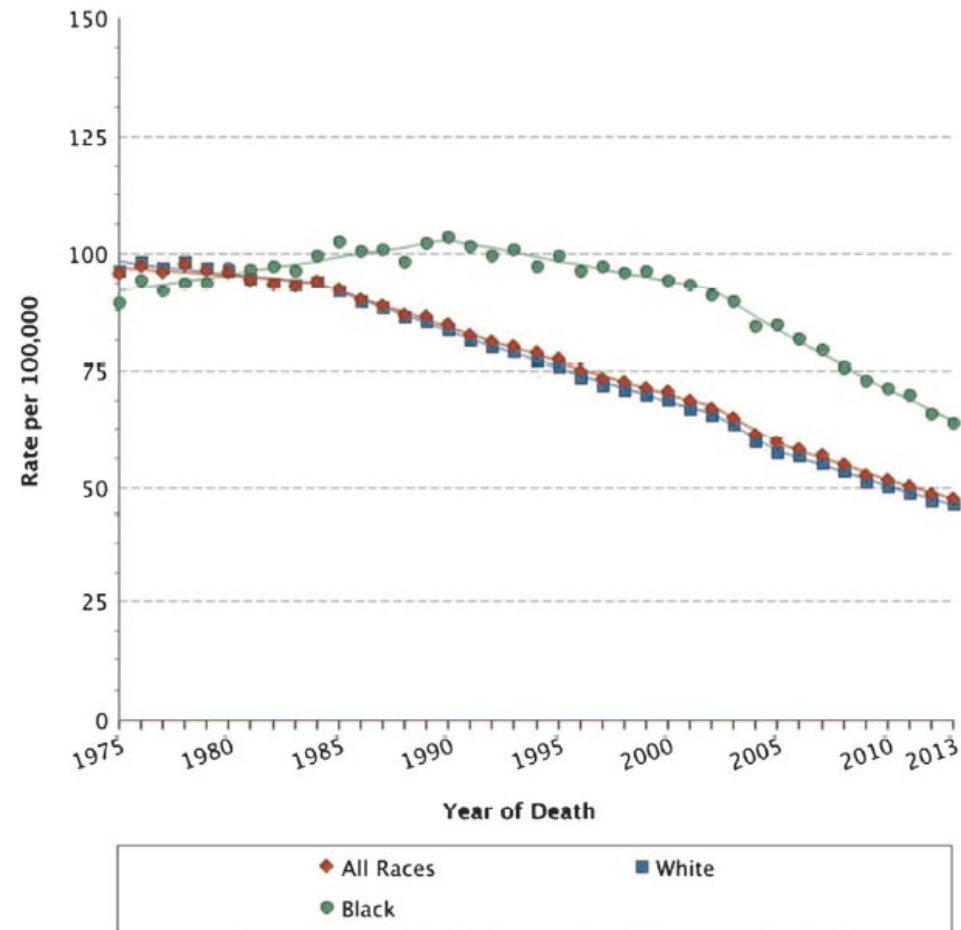


Colorectal Cancer Trends Over Time

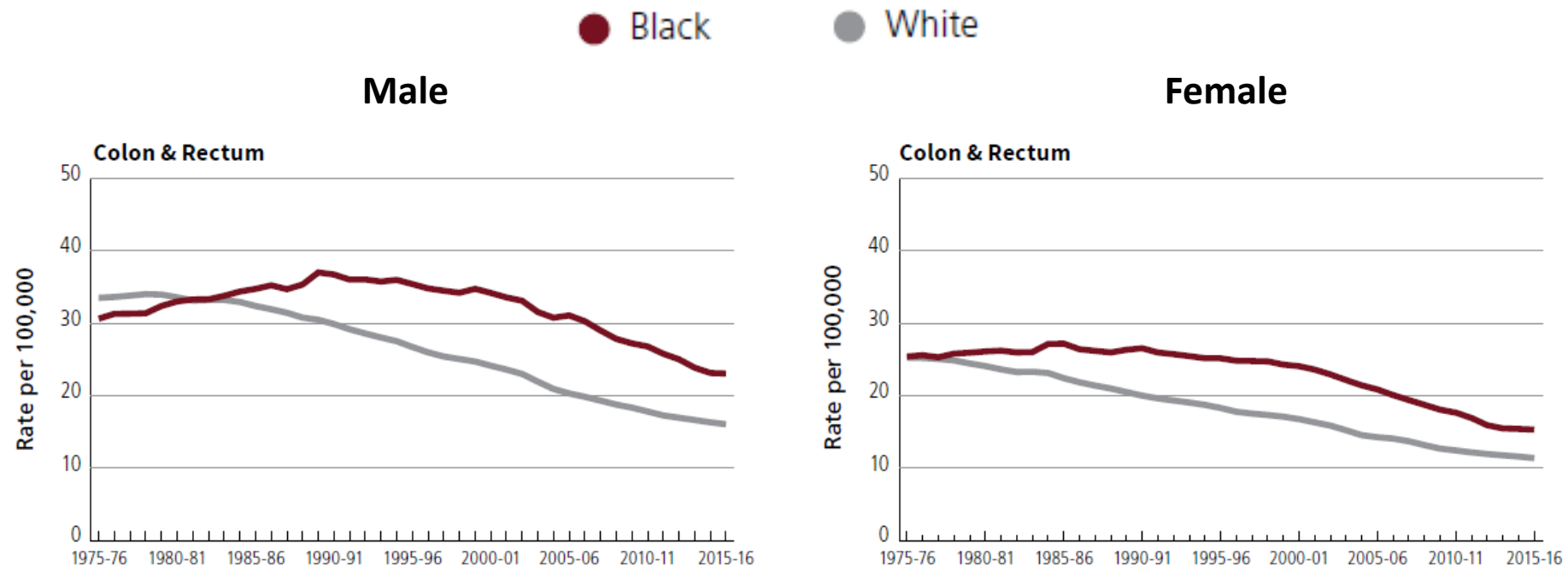
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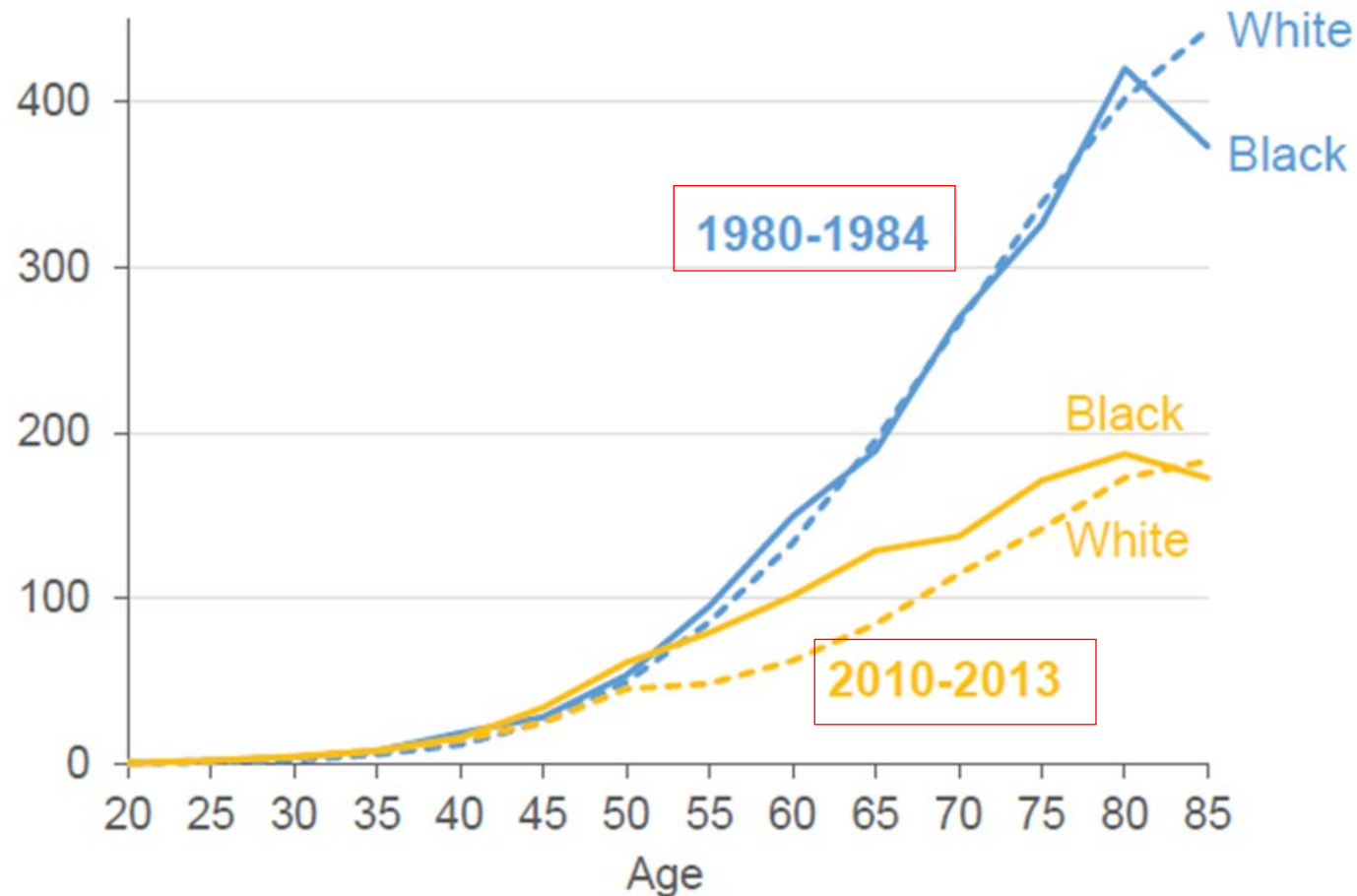
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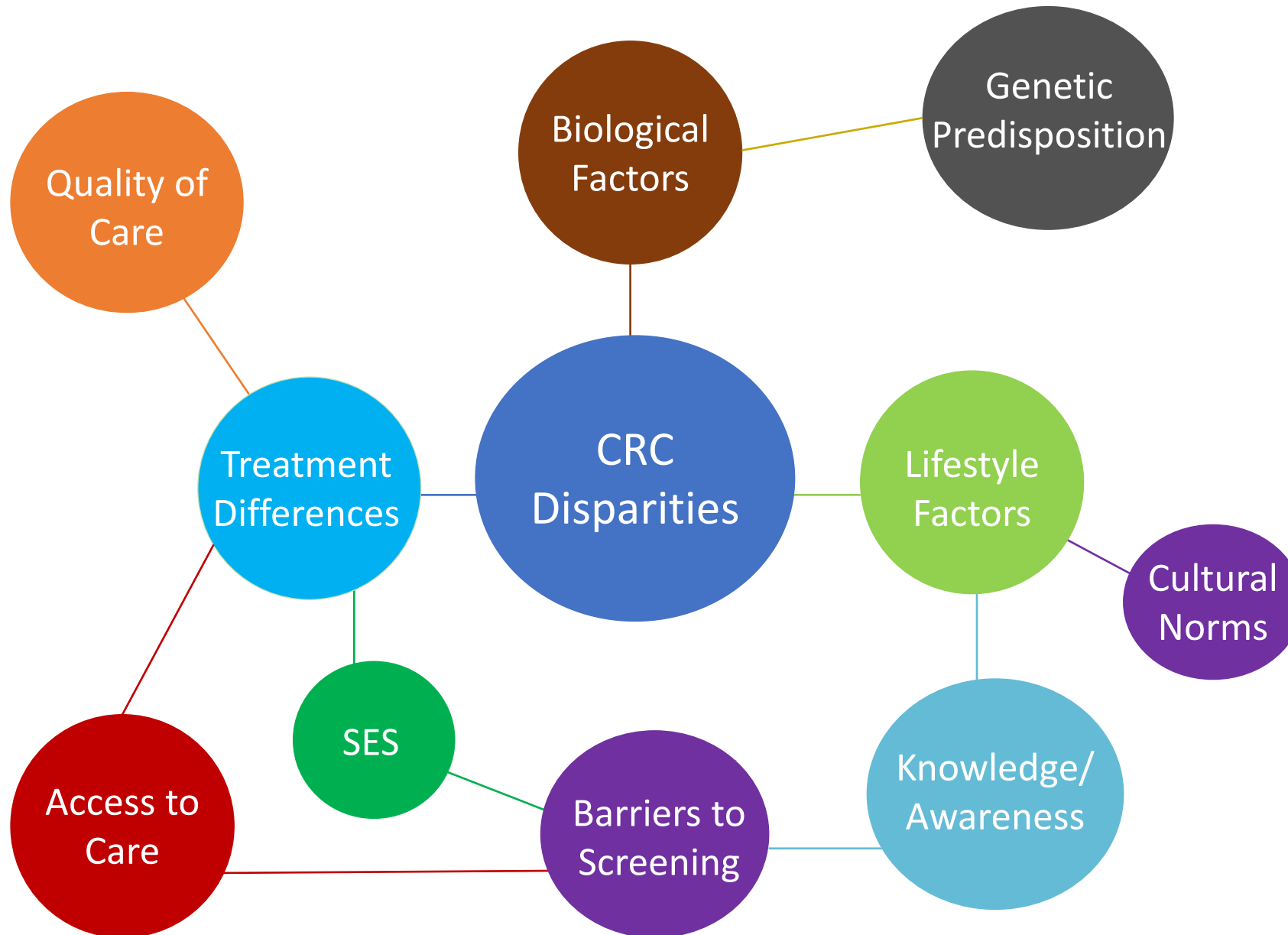
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Age-Specific CRC Incidence By Race and Time Period



Reasons for Disparity



Risk Factors of CRC

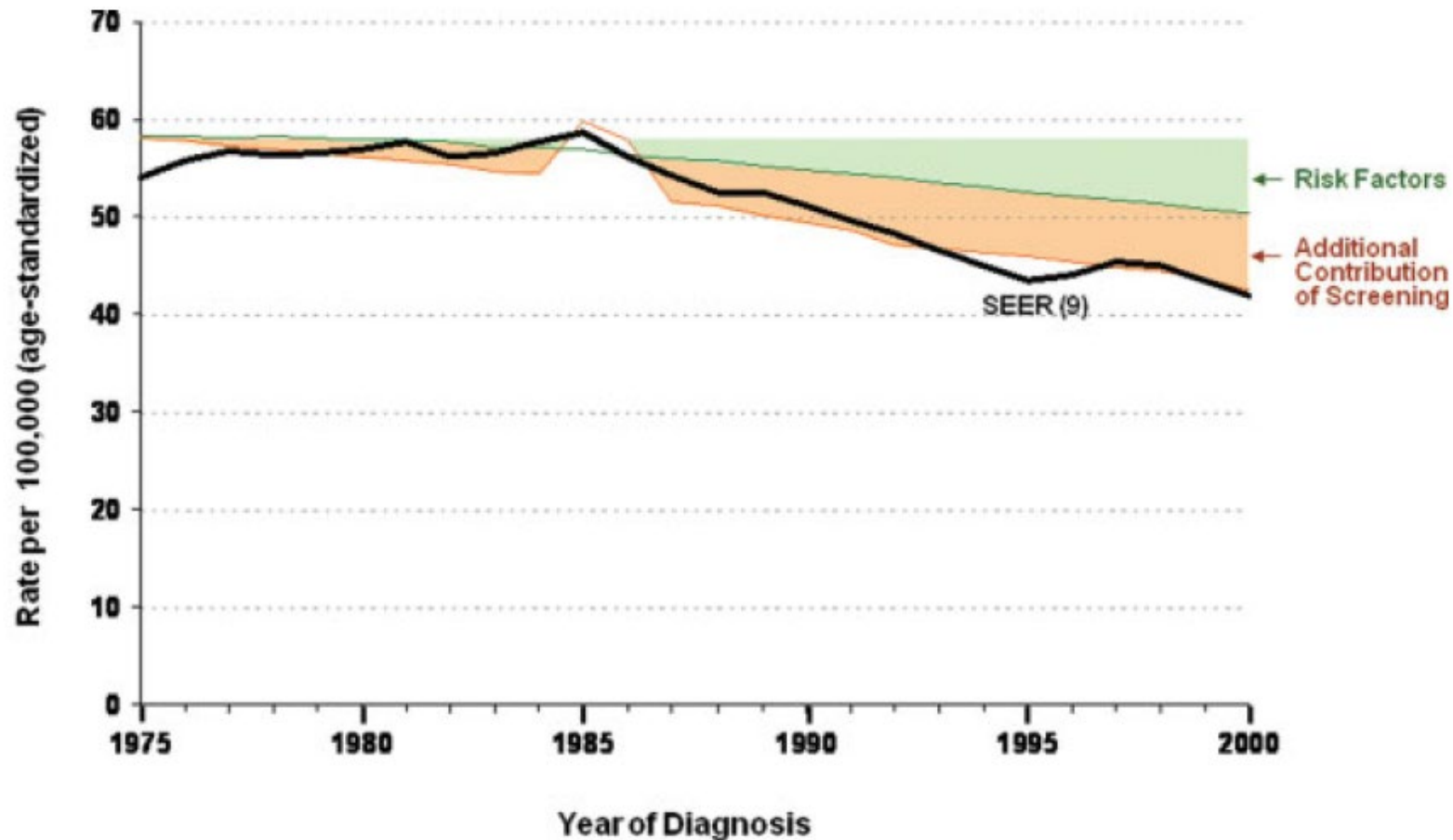
Non-Modifiable

- Age
- Ethnicity
- Family history of CRC or colorectal polyps
- History of IBD
- Genetic syndromes
- Type-two diabetes

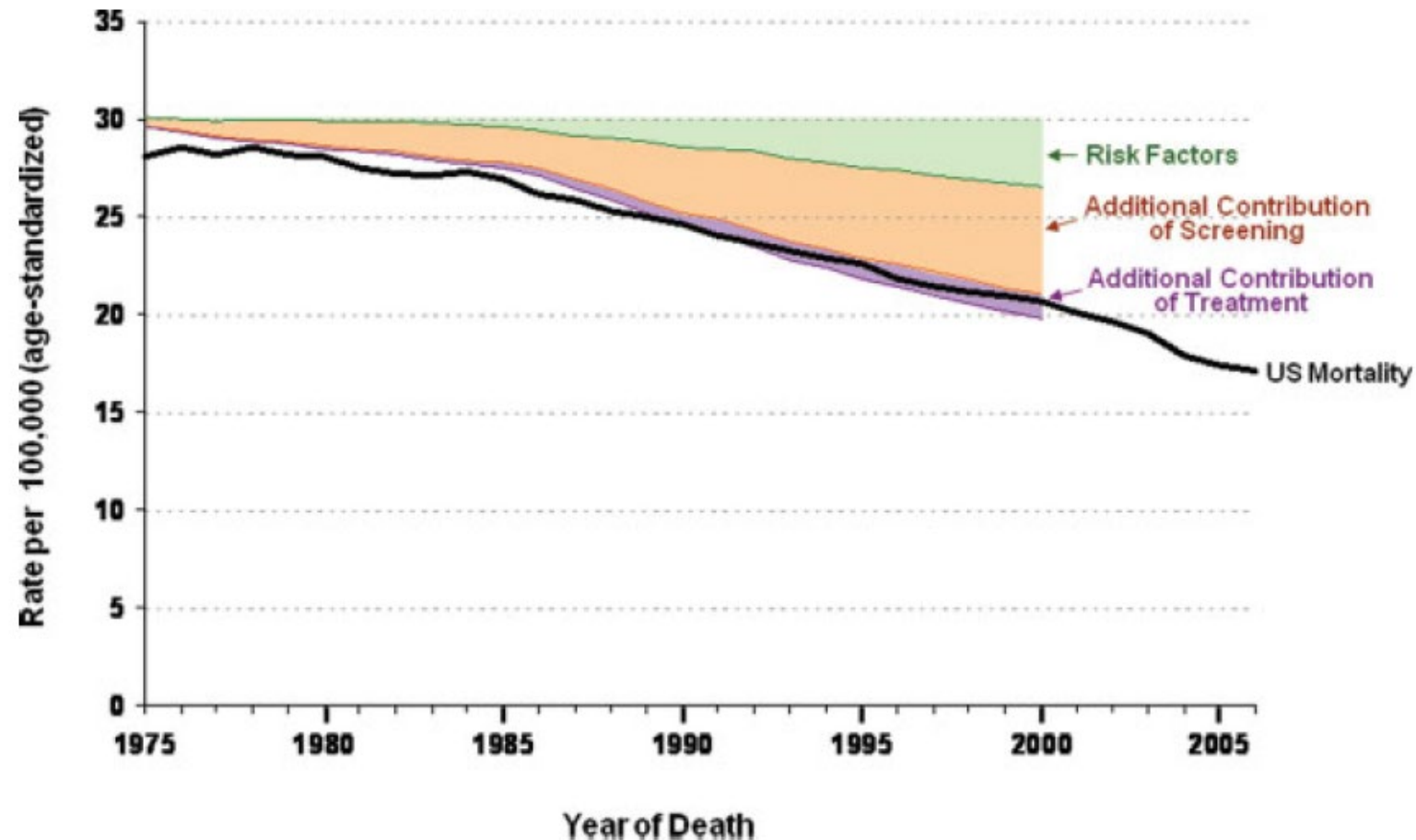
Modifiable

- Smoking
- Excessive alcohol consumption
- High consumption of red meats
- High consumption of processed foods
- Low intake of fruit and vegetables
- Body fat and obesity
- Sedentary lifestyle

Microsimulation Modeling of CRC Incidence and Contribution of Screening (1975-2000)

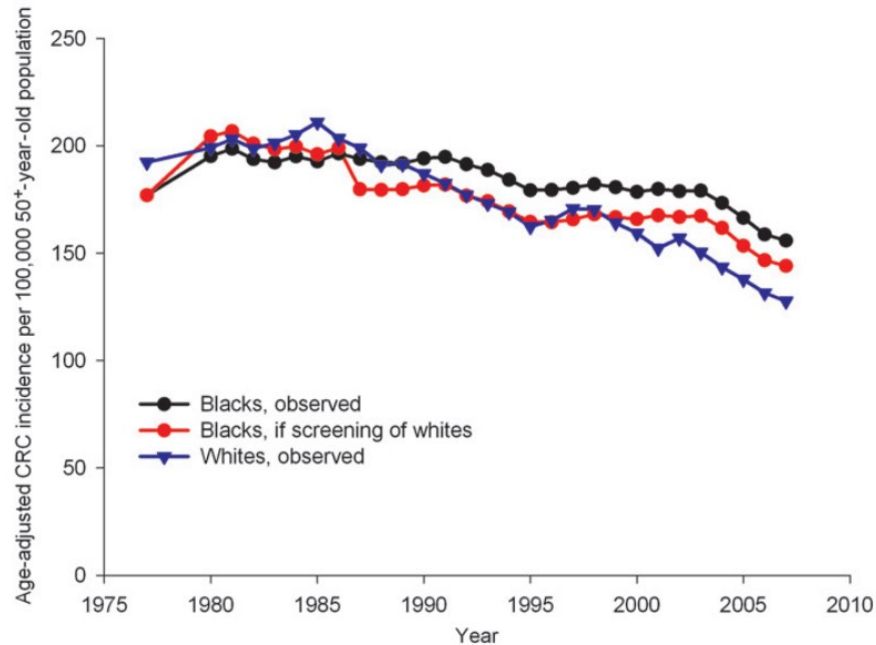


Microsimulation Modeling of CRC Mortality and Contribution of Screening and Treatment

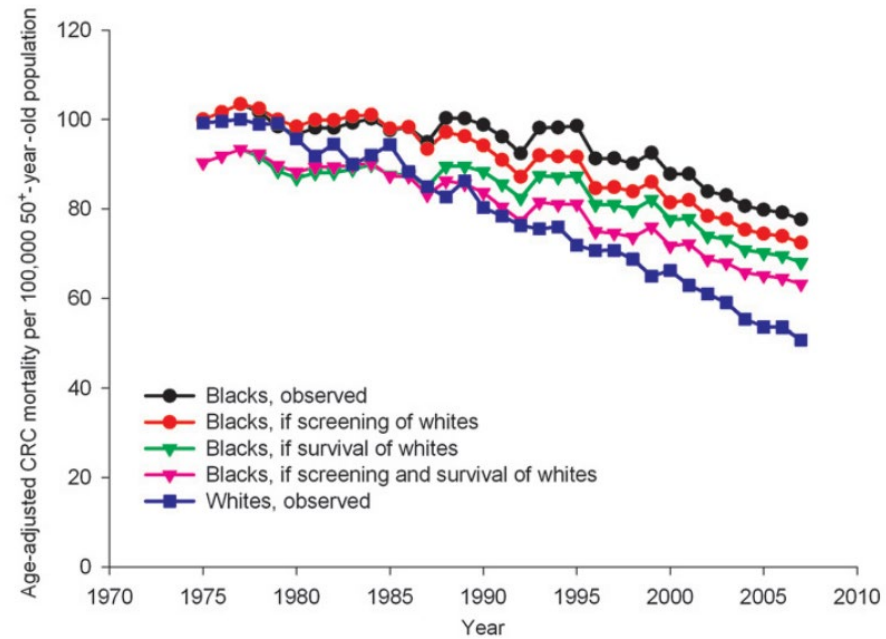


Microsimulation Modeling If Blacks Had Similar Screening and Treatment As Whites

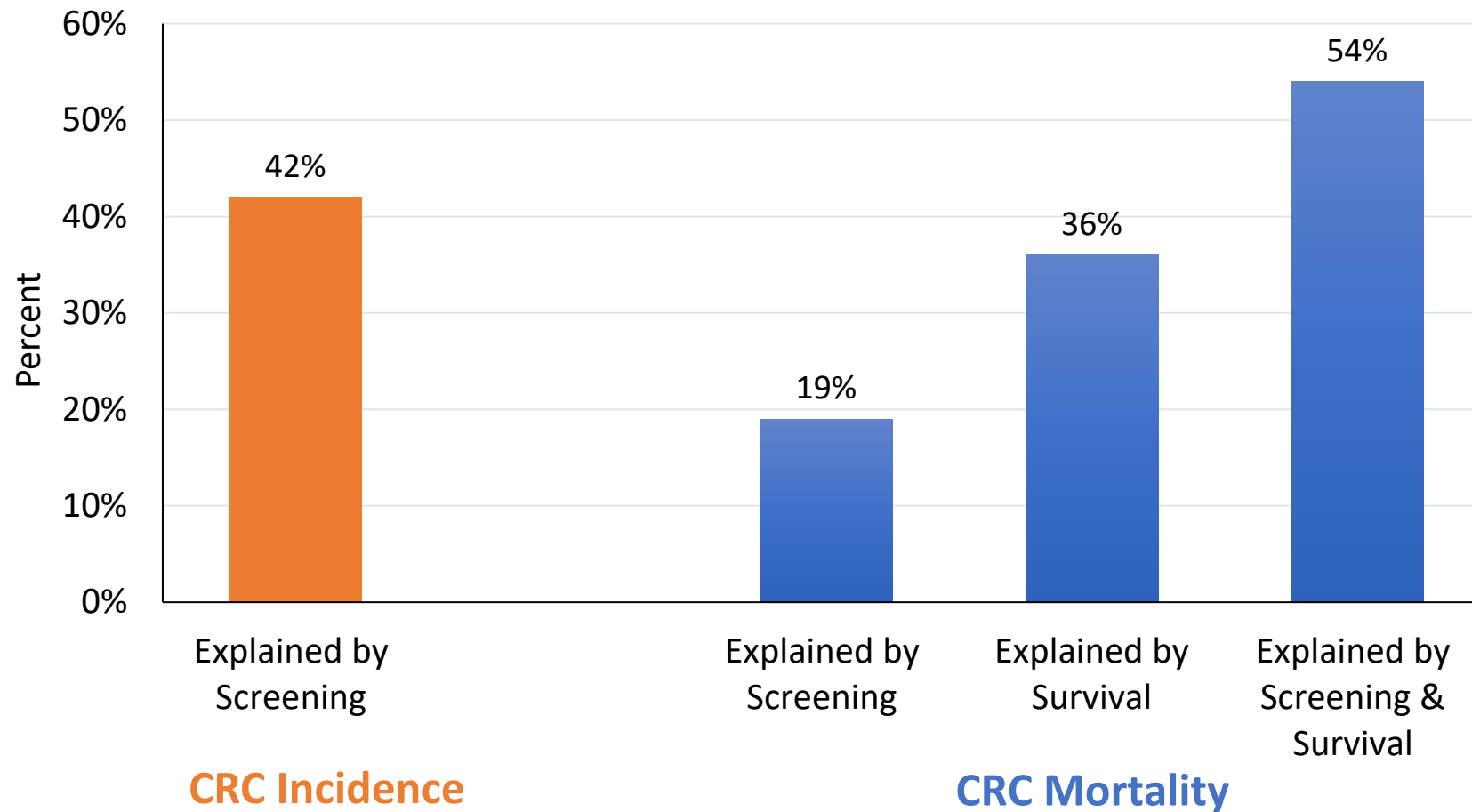
CRC *Incidence* By Race/Screening



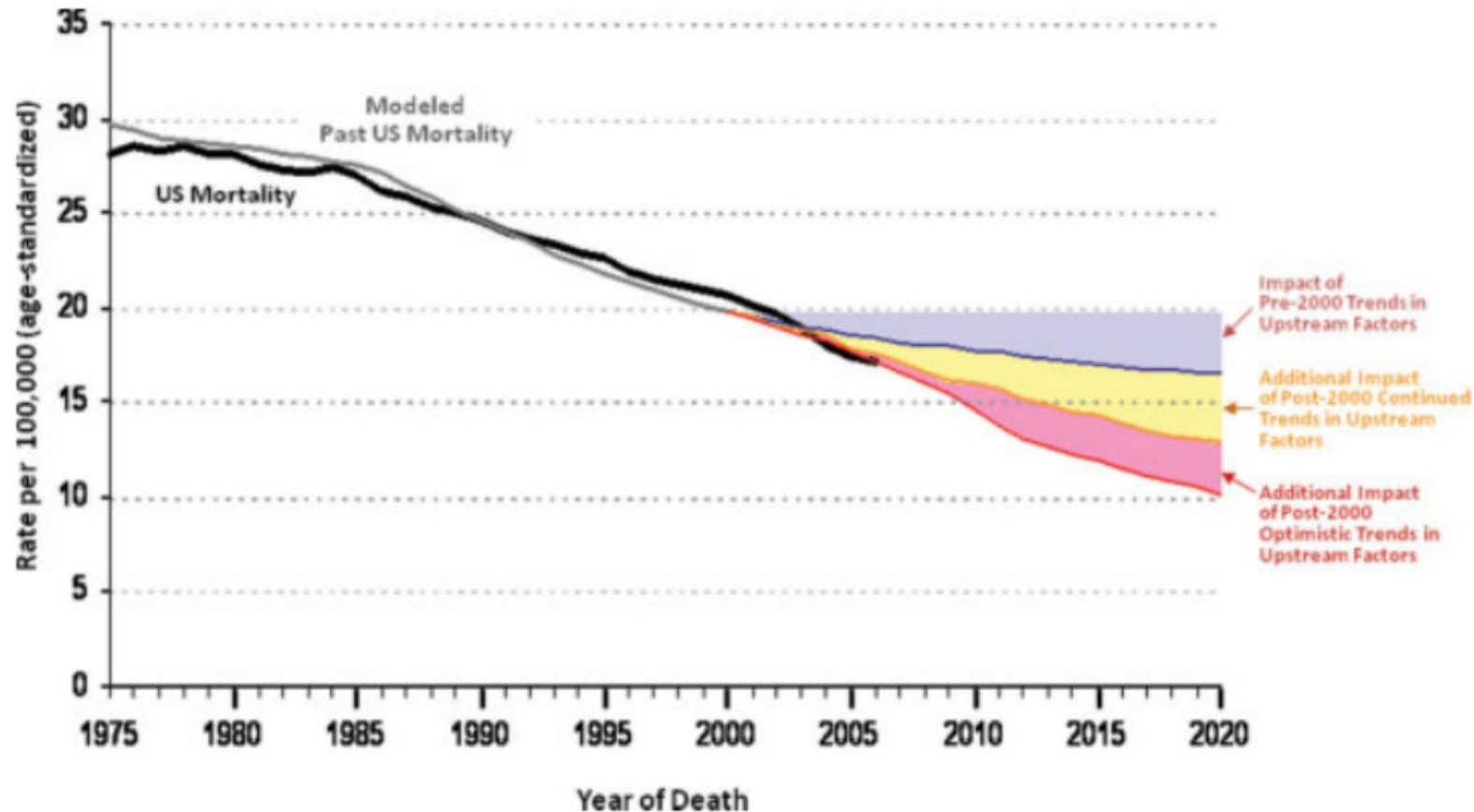
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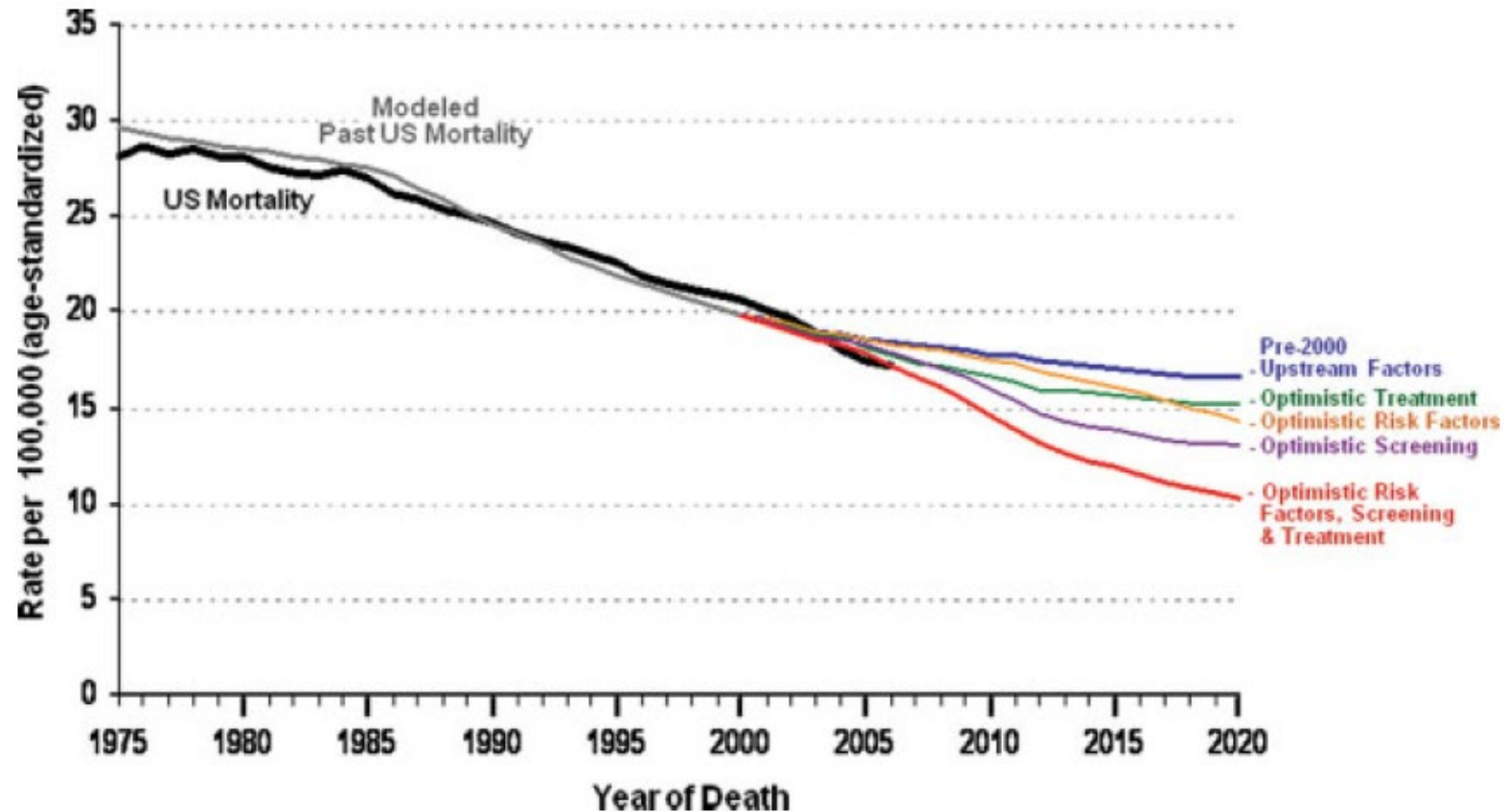
Disparities in CRC Incidence and Mortality Between Blacks and Whites



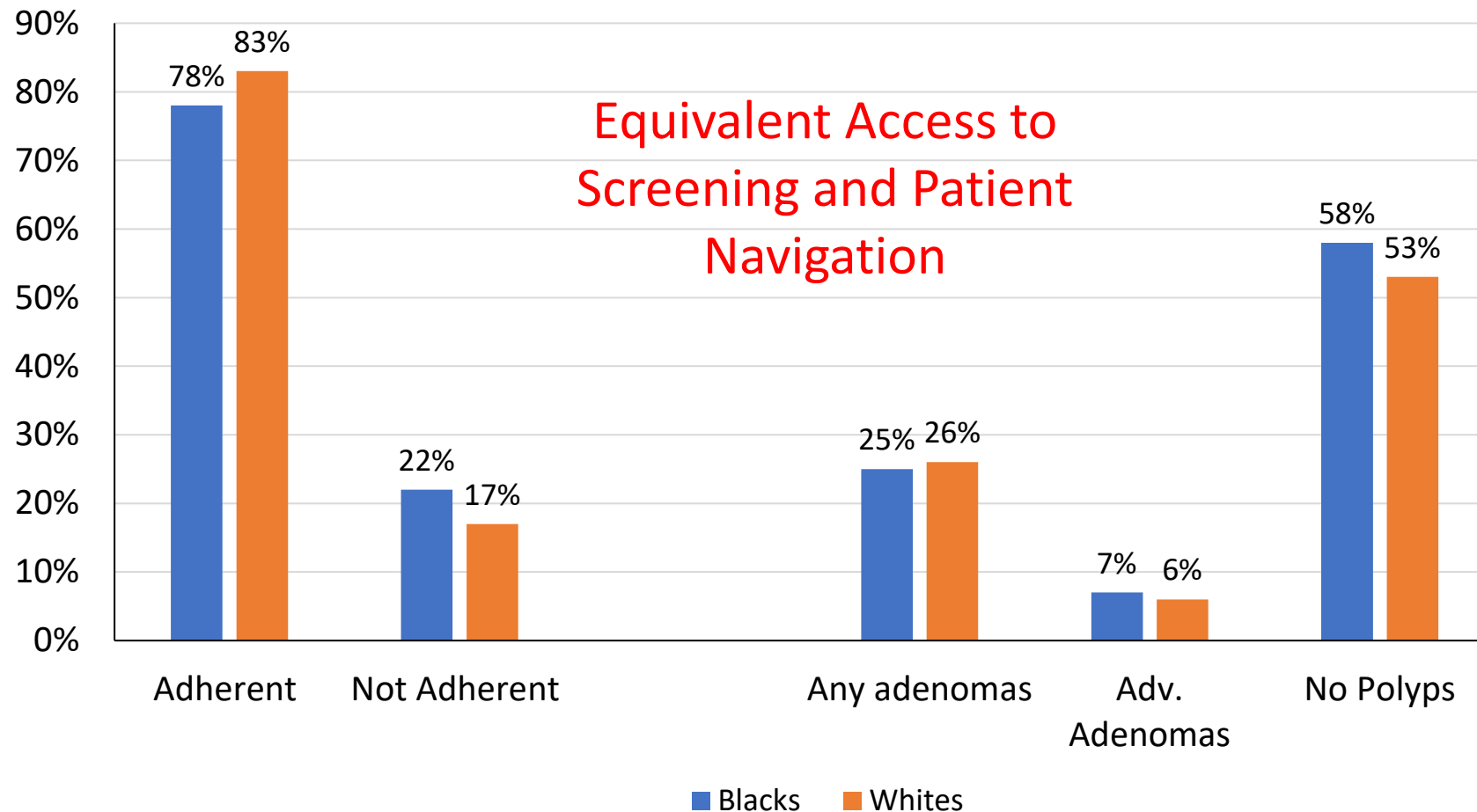
Microsimulation Modeling of CRC Mortality and Intervention 1975- 2020



Microsimulation Modeling of CRC Mortality and Further Opportunities for Screening and Treatment (1975-2020)



Adherence to Colonoscopy and Colonoscopy Findings by Race with Facilitated Access



Thank You!
Any Questions?

The Double-Edged Sword of Guideline Recommendations Lowering the Age of Screening Initiation to 45



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Guidelines for CRC screening have been evolving

PROCTOSIGMOIDOSCOPY AND POLYPECTOMY
IN REDUCING THE INCIDENCE OF
RECTAL CANCER

VICTOR A. GILBERTSEN, MD

Diagnosis of Large-Bowel Cancer
in the Asymptomatic Patient

David H. Greegor, MD

1990s
Winawer SJ, Zauber AG et al, 1993
Winawer SJ et al., 1997

American College of Gastroenterology Guidelines for
Colorectal Cancer Screening 2008

Douglas K. Rex, MD, FACP; David A. Johnson, MD, FACP; Joseph C. Anderson, MD; Phillip S. Schoenfeld, MD, MSc (Epi), FACP;
Carol A. Burke, MD, FACP and John M. Inadomi, MD, FACP

2018
ACS recommends earlier
Screening (45yo) among
all average-risk

USPSTF has announced new draft guidelines
for colorectal cancer screening.

Screening for colorectal cancer should
BEGIN AT 45

Share your
support!



1960s-70s
Early large studies of
Endoscopy and stool-based
screening programs

GASTROENTEROLOGY 1997;112:594-602

Colorectal Cancer Screening: Clinical Guidelines and
Rationale

Evidence exists that reductions in colorectal cancer (CRC) mortality can be achieved through detection and treatment of early-stage CRCs and the identification and removal of adenomatous polyps, the precursor to these cancers. An expert, multidisciplinary panel was convened to review this evidence and to produce recommendations to guide clinicians and the public in making decisions regarding CRC screening and surveillance. As part of its review, the panel also commissioned a simulation model that estimates and compares the clinical consequences (benefits and major complications) of each screening approach. This guideline report presents the panel's recommendations with respect to screening and surveillance in people at average risk for CRC and those at increased risk because of a family history of CRC or genetic syndromes or a personal history of adenomatous polyps, inflammatory bowel disease, or curative-intent resection of CRC. The cost-effectiveness of potential screening strategies was taken into account when preparing the recommendations. A summary of the evidence on each screening test's performance, effectiveness, frequency, complications, and patient acceptance is included. Also provided are suggestions for ways to increase compliance with the recommendations, questions for which additional research is needed, and the results of the simulation model on screening consequences.



2008
1st guideline to recommend
earlier screening (45yo)
among African Americans

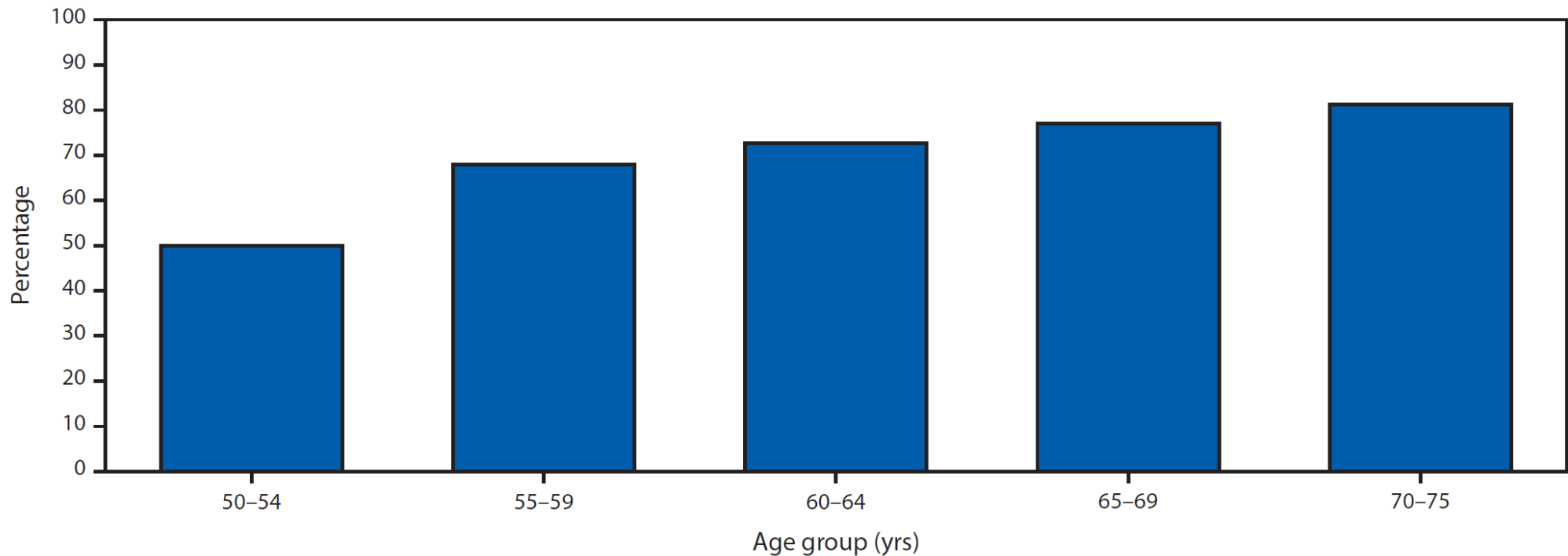
Colorectal Cancer Screening for Average-Risk Adults:
2018 Guideline Update From the American Cancer Society

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Oct 2020
USPSTF draft
recommendation

Screening rates among those 50-75 have increased over time, but are below goal

Based on 2018 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, among those 50-75 years of age:



Race or ethnicity	Non-Hispanic White	Non-Hispanic Black	Asian/Pacific Islander	Hispanic
Screening rate	71.0%	70.0%	64.8%	56.1%

Joseph DA et al, *MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep.* 2020.

Screening rates among those 45-49 are increasing

Communication

Colorectal Cancer Screening Patterns After the American Cancer Society's Recommendation to Initiate Screening at Age 45 Years

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INTRODUCTION
In May 2018, the American Cancer Society (ACS) updated its colorectal cancer (CRC) screening guidelines, lowering the age to initiate screening among average-risk individuals from 50 years to 45 years because of increasing risk in younger generations and a favorable benefit-to-harm ratio.¹ To our knowledge, the question of whether this change has influenced screening among those in their mid-to-late 40s is unknown. We examined recent CRC screening patterns among adults aged 45 to 49 years compared with those aged 50 to 59 years in the United States.

MATERIALS AND METHODS
Data regarding respondents aged 45 to 59 years were selected from the 2018 National Health Interview Survey, an in-person household survey that is nationally representative of noninstitutionalized individuals, with a response rate of 64.2%.² The outcome was self-reported CRC screening with colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, computed tomography colonography, or stool testing within the past year. After excluding respondents with a history of CRC (27 respondents) or those who were missing screening data (250 respondents), a total of 5800 individuals were included in the analytic study population. CRC screening rates were computed according to interview quarter (Q) (January-March [Q1], April-June [Q2], July-September [Q3], and October-December [Q4]) and age (45-49 years, 50-54 years, and 55-59 years). Difference in differences were used to compare changes in screening rates among respondents aged 45 to 49 years, who were newly recommended to begin screening, with respondents aged 50 to 59 years. Q2 was excluded from difference in differences because guidelines were released in May. Quarterly trends in health care use that was unlikely to be influenced by the 2018 guideline (past-year primary care provider visits, female breast cancer screening rates in 2018, and CRC screening rates in the 2015 National Health Interview Survey among individuals aged 45-49 years) also were evaluated. Analyses were conducted using SAS statistical software and accounted for survey design.

RESULTS
The majority of respondents were non-Hispanic white and privately insured, and approximately one-half were male (Table 1), which did not vary by interview quarter (unpublished data). Among respondents aged 45 to 49 years, past-year CRC screening rates rose from 4.8% to 6.6% to 8.8% to 11.7%, respectively, in Q1, Q2, Q3, and Q4 (linear $P = .003$) (Table 1). Compared with Q1, screening rates were 4.1% and 7.0% percentage points higher, respectively, in Q3 and Q4. An estimated 226,656 individuals aged 45 to 49 years reported past-year CRC screening in Q1 of 2018 compared with 592,351 individuals in Q4.

Past-year CRC screening did not increase among respondents in their 50s, and changes in CRC screening rates were significantly larger among individuals aged 45 to 49 years compared with those aged 50 to 54 years and 55 to 59 years (Table 1). The 2018 past-year physician visit and breast cancer screening rates among individuals aged 45 to 49 years did not vary by quarter, nor did 2015 CRC screening rates (Fig. 1).

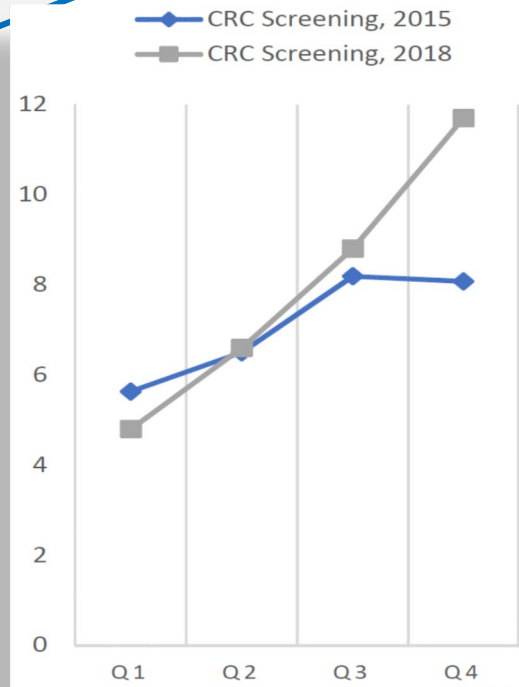
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2018 National Health Interview Survey
Self-reported screening within the past year
Screening rates computed by interview quarter



Screening rates
↑ 4.8% (Q1) → 11.7% (Q4)

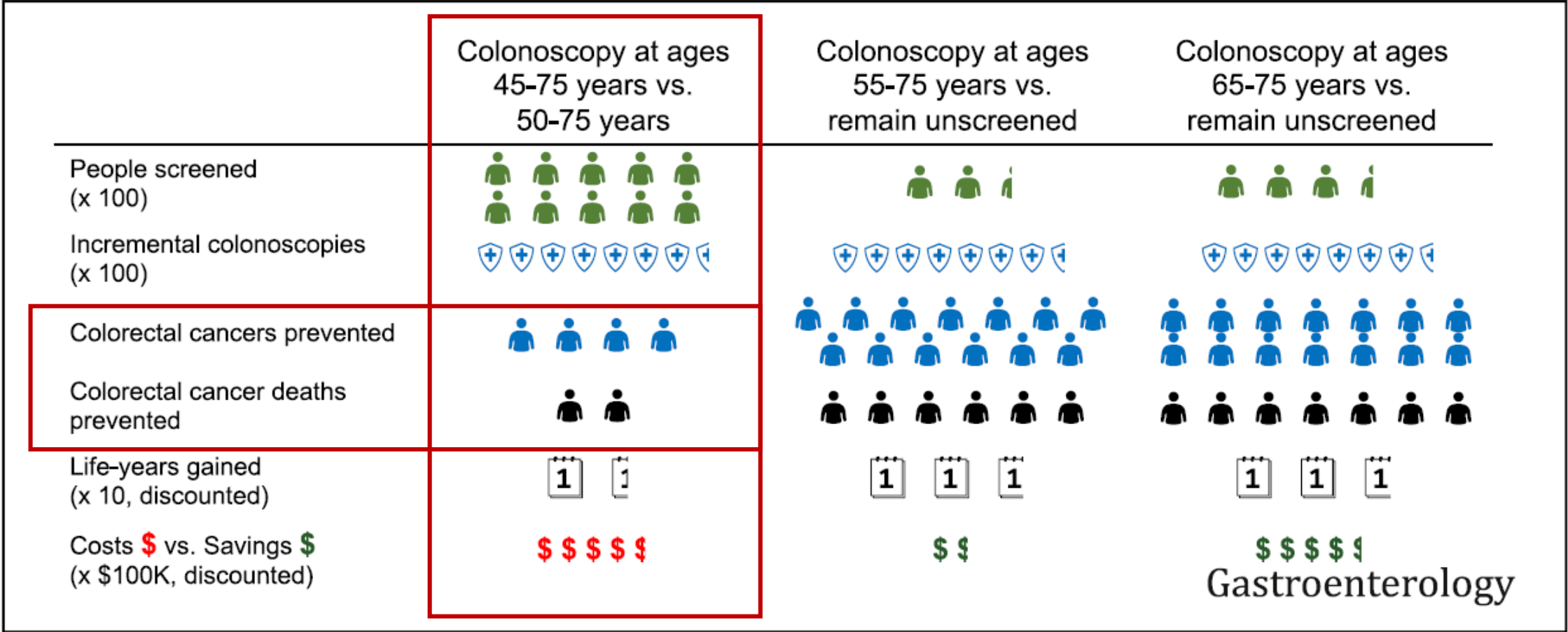
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VS
592,351 (Q4)

Fedewa SA et al, *Cancer*. 2020.

Potential **intended** consequences of lowering the age of screening initiation to 45

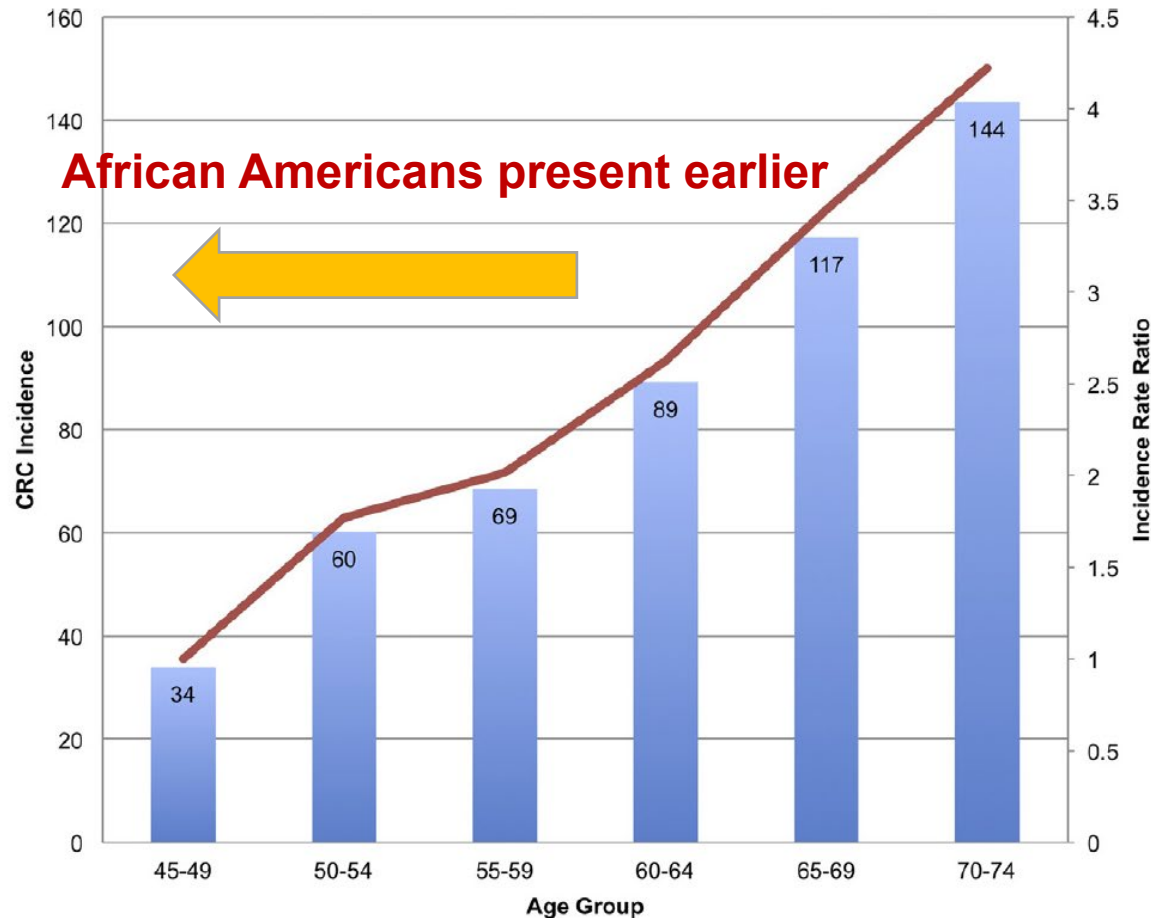


Prevent colorectal cancers and colorectal cancer deaths



Laudabaum U et al, *Gastroenterology*. 2019.

↓ Burden of CRC in high-risk minority groups – e.g. African Americans



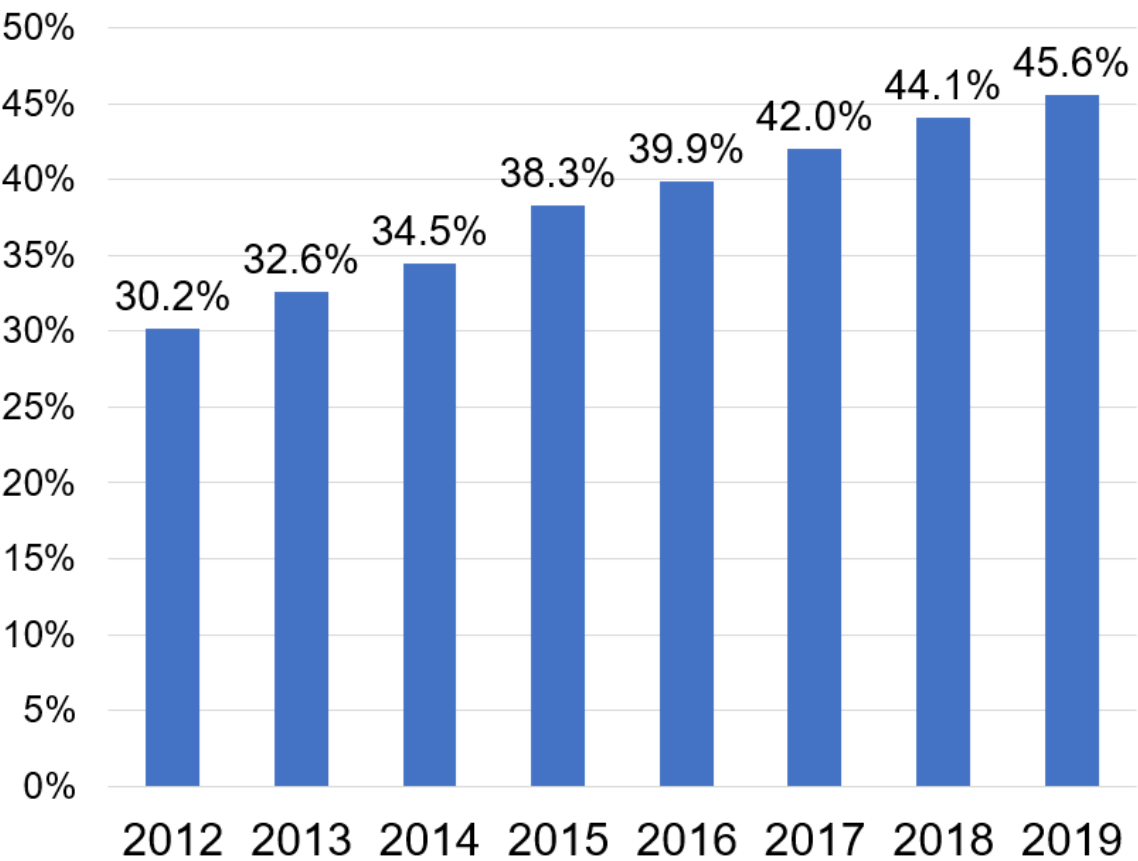
	Proportion of cancers under target age for group (%)	Proportion of cancers over target age for group (%)
Caucasians (age 50 years)	5.5	94.5
African Americans (age 50 years)	10.6	89.4
African Americans (age 45 years)	5	95

↑ **Relative risk of polyps > 9mm & proximal adenomas as compared to Whites**

Modified from Liang PS et al, *Gastroenterology*. 2018; Carethers JM. *Dig Dis Sci*. 2015; Lieberman et al, *JAMA*. 2008; Lieberman DA et al, *Gastroenterology*. 2014; Corley DA et al, *Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol*. 2013.

Improvement in CRC screening rates among those ≥ 50

**% Federally Qualified Health Center Patients
ages 50-75 years Up-to-Date with CRC Screening**



Source: Uniform Data System

Earlier and more frequent messaging

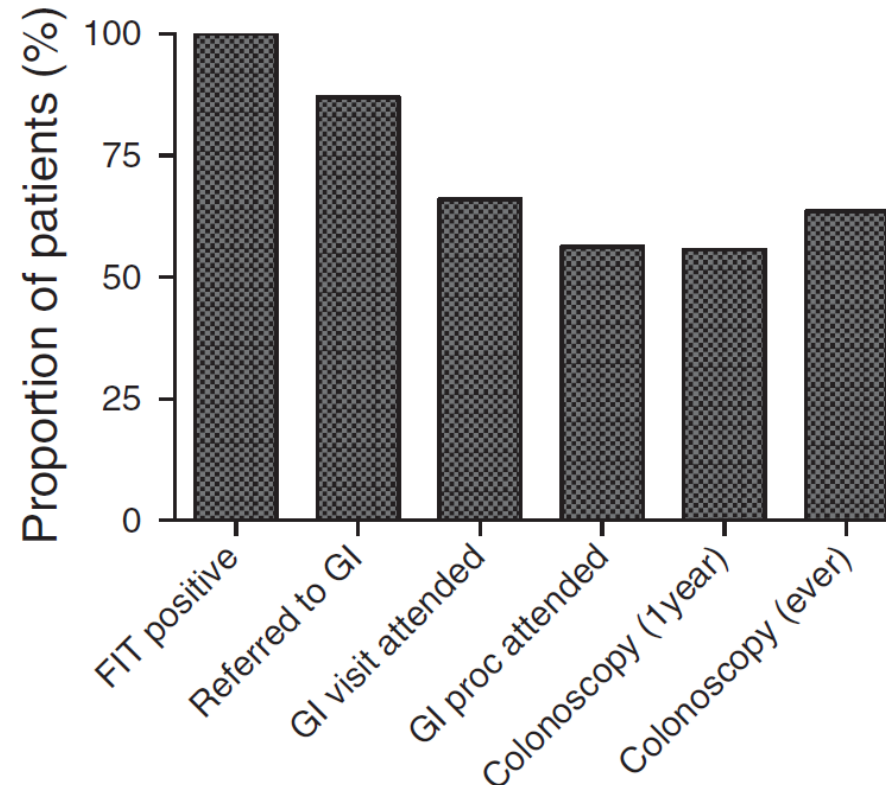


Potential **unintended** consequences of lowering the age of screening initiation to 45



Diversion of resources from where it may be needed most – e.g. follow-up after abnormal FIT test

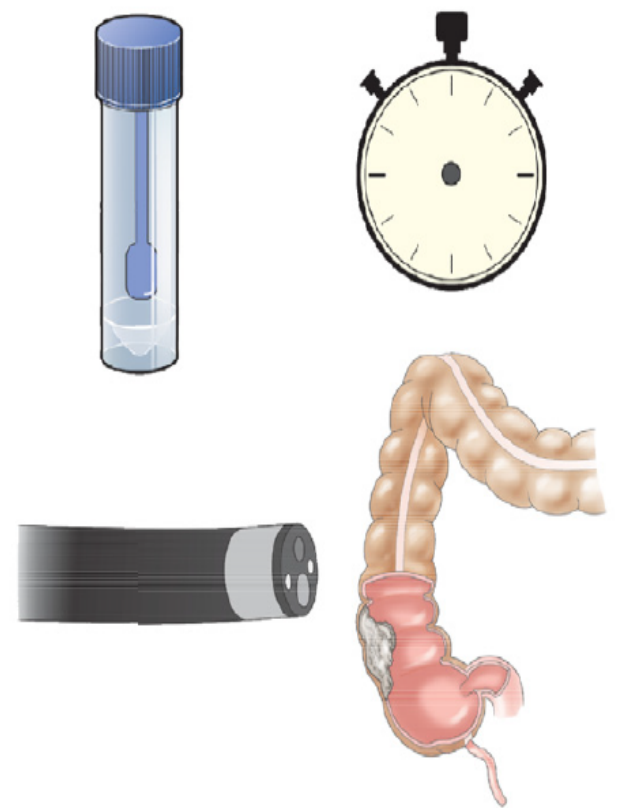
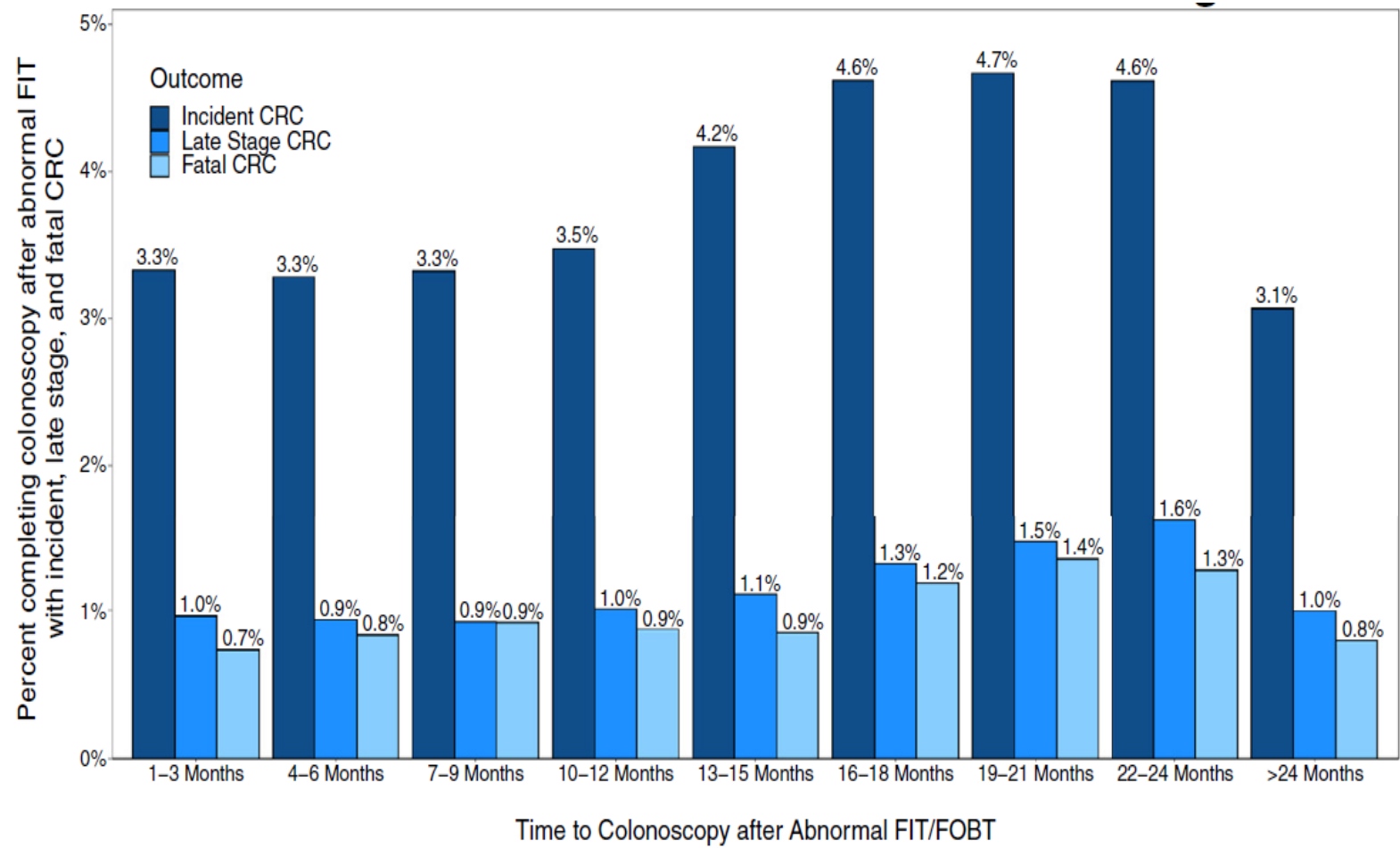
Proportion of patients by FIT process of care



Issaka RB et al, *Am J Gastro*. 2017.



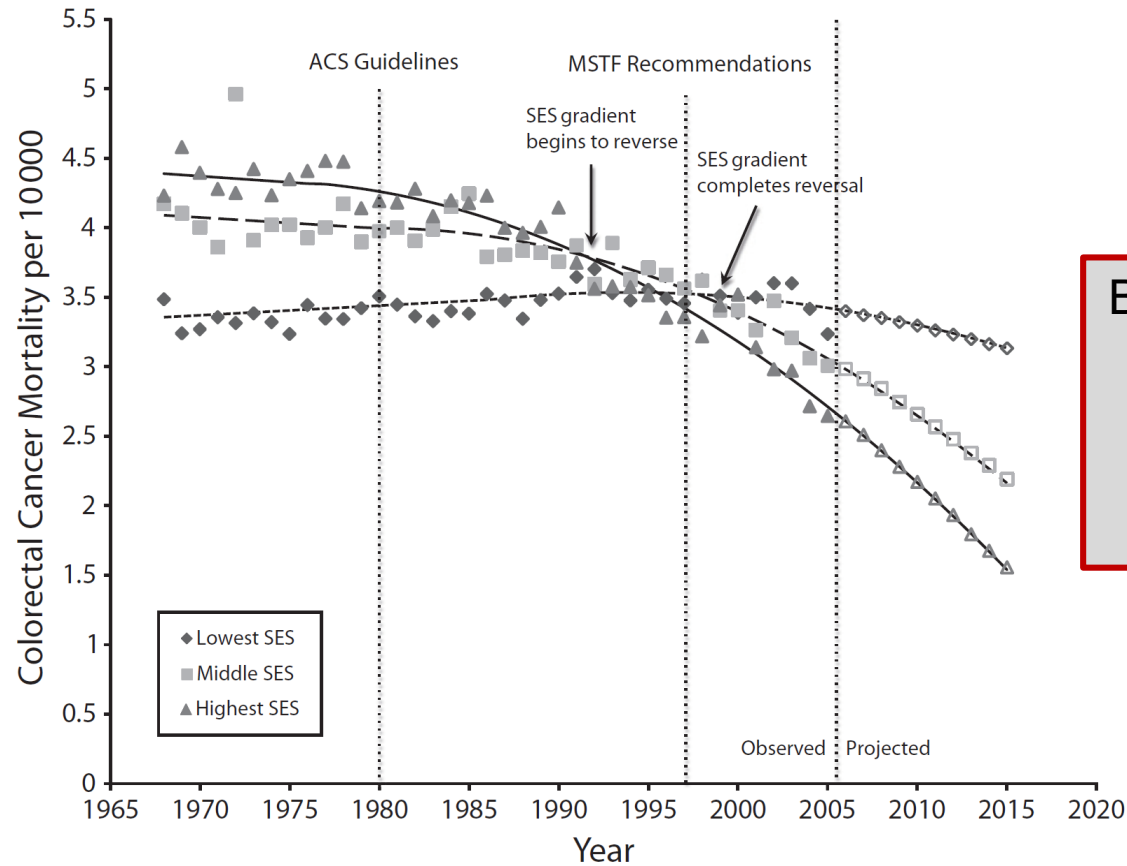
Diversion of resources from where it may be needed most – e.g. follow-up after abnormal FIT/FOBT test



Gastroenterology

San Miguel Y et al, *Gastroenterology*. 2021.

Worsen existing disparities in CRC screening and outcomes



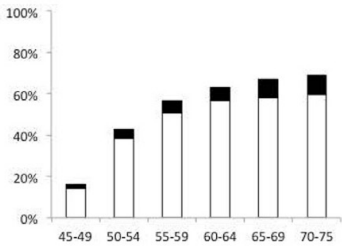
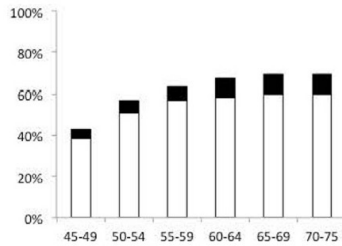
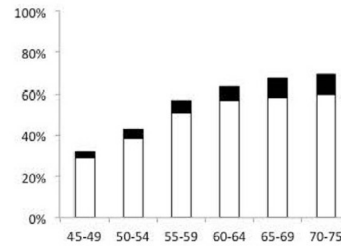
Fundamental cause hypothesis (Link and Phelan, 2005)

Benefits of health-enhancing resources (e.g. CRC screening)
“realized to a greater extent by those who are less likely to
face, discrimination, and stigma and more likely to have
access to socioeconomic resources”

Saldana-Ruiz N et al, *Am J Public Health*. 2013.



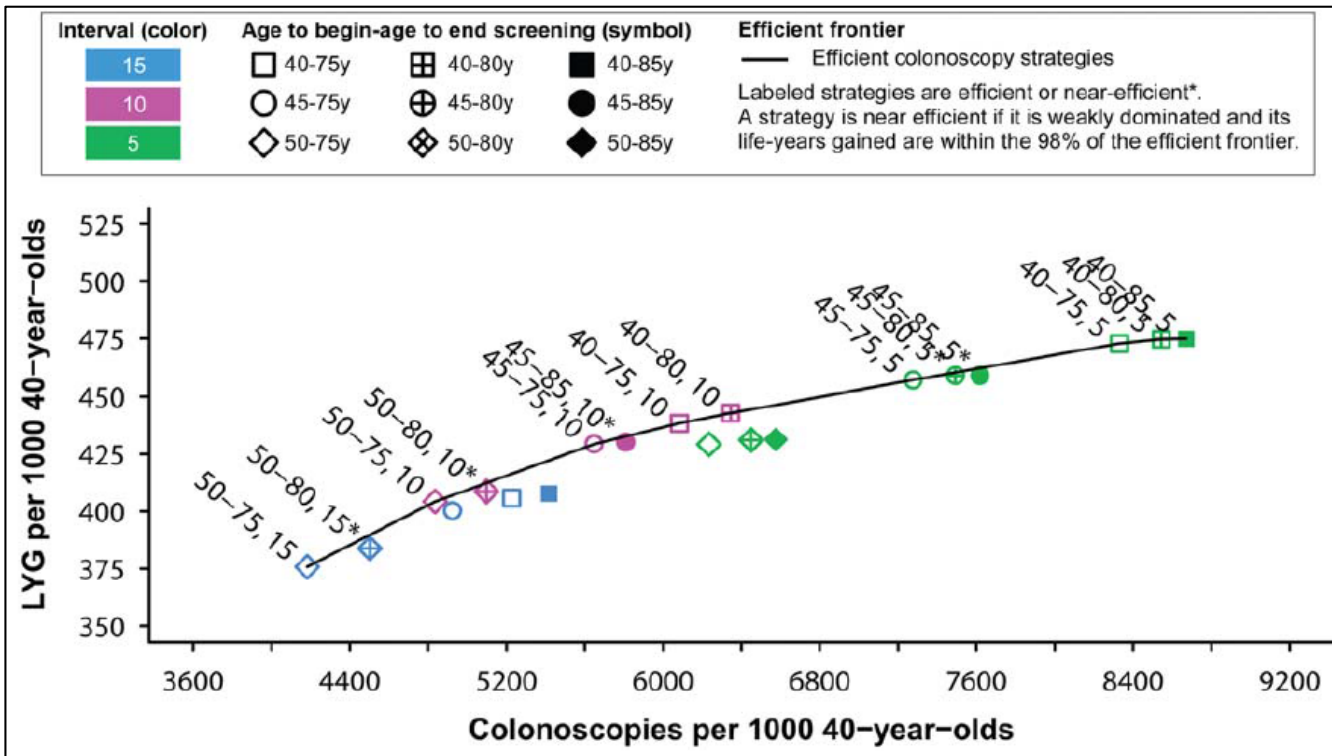
Substantial societal and individual costs

	Scenario A: Current age-specific screening participation patterns in the U.S. **	Scenario B: Begin screening at age 45 (shift current age-band- specific participation patterns by 5 years to younger ages)	Scenario C: Begin screening at age 45 (extrapolate participation rate at age 45 based on current participation patterns, without change in participation at older ages)
Age-specific screening participation rates with colonoscopy (in white) or fecal immunochemical test (in black)			
Colorectal cancer cases	696,700	667,300 (↓ 29,400)	691,100 (↓ 5,600)
Colorectal cancer deaths	244,600	233,500 (↓ 11,100)	242,600 (↓ 2,000)
Total costs (discounted)	\$114.7 billion	\$125.1 billion (↑ \$10.4 billion)	\$119.1 billion (↑ \$4.4 billion)
Total number of colonoscopies	70.3 million	80.9 million (↑ 10.7 million)	73.8 million (↑ 3.5 million)

Laudabaum U et al, *Gastroenterology*. 2019.



Outcomes may not match model-predicted outcomes



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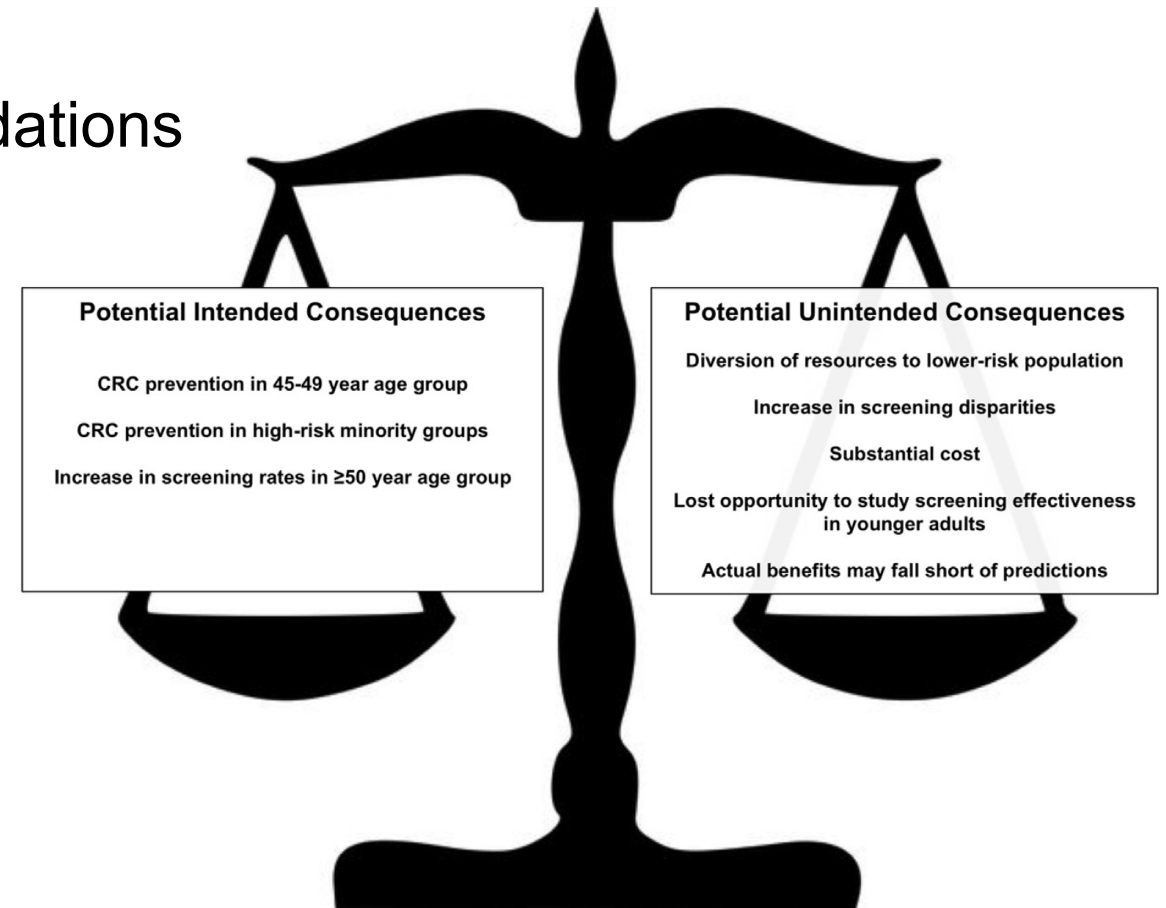
- Assumes higher adherence to screening and follow-up than seen in current practice
- Does not factor in:
 - Exacerbation of disparities
 - Costs
 - Impact of mixed messages
 - Potential genetic/molecular differences that may impact efficacy of screening

Peterse EFP et al, Cancer. 2018; Liang PS et al, Gastroenterology. 2018.



Summary

- Colorectal cancer screening recommendations are evolving with the available data.
- Screening rates are increasing including among 45-49 year olds.
- Guideline recommendations must be tempered against potential intended and unintended consequences.



Liang PS et al, Gastroenterology. 2018.





Thank you!

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Evidence-Based Interventions to Increase Screening in Racially and Ethnically Diverse Populations

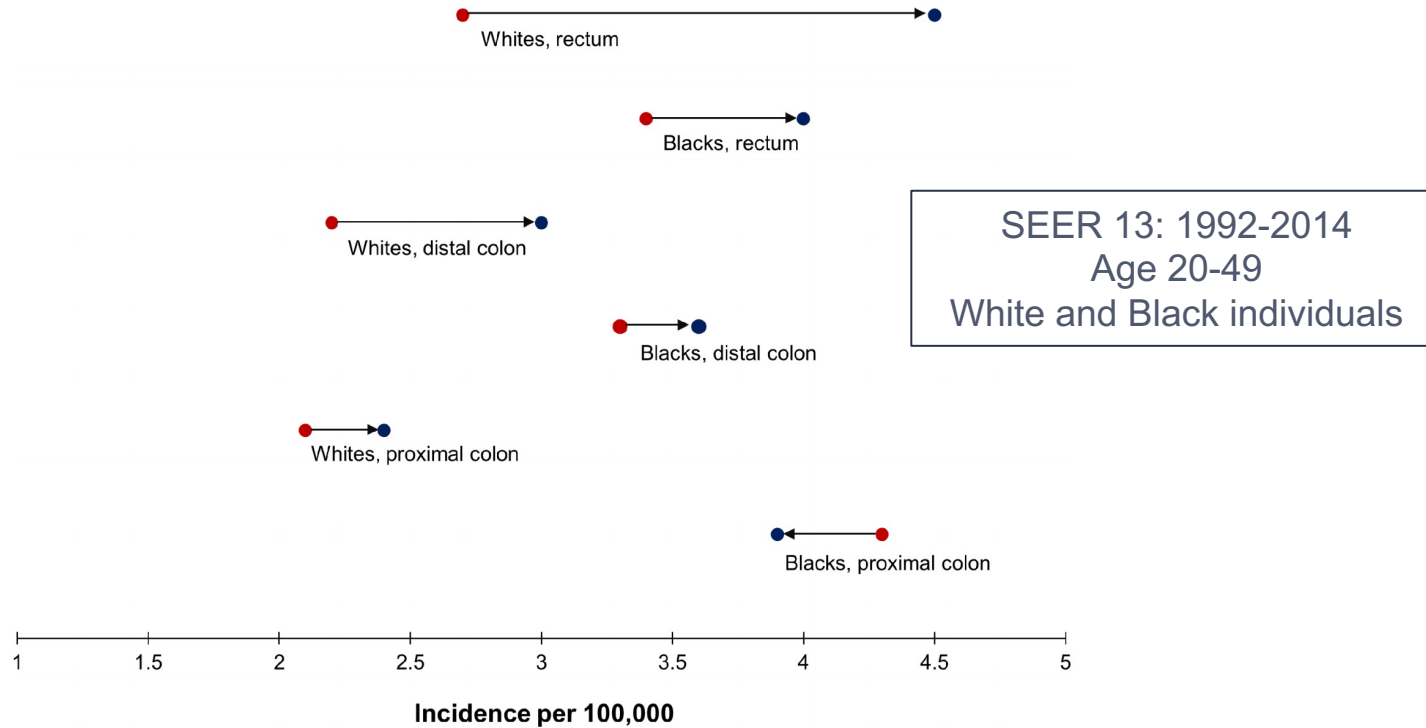
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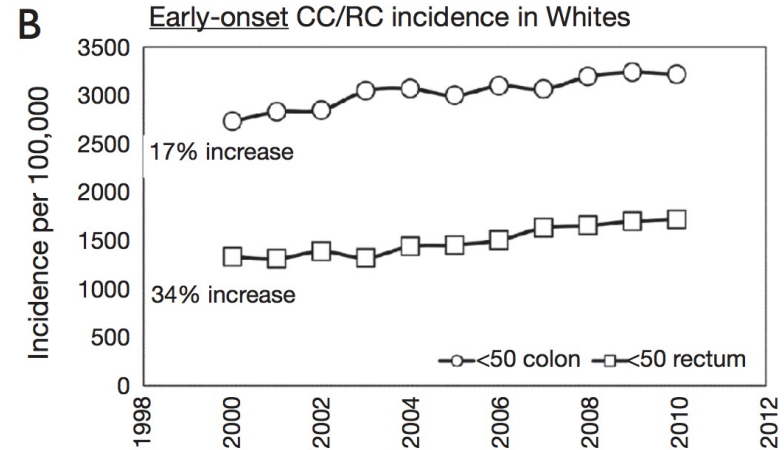
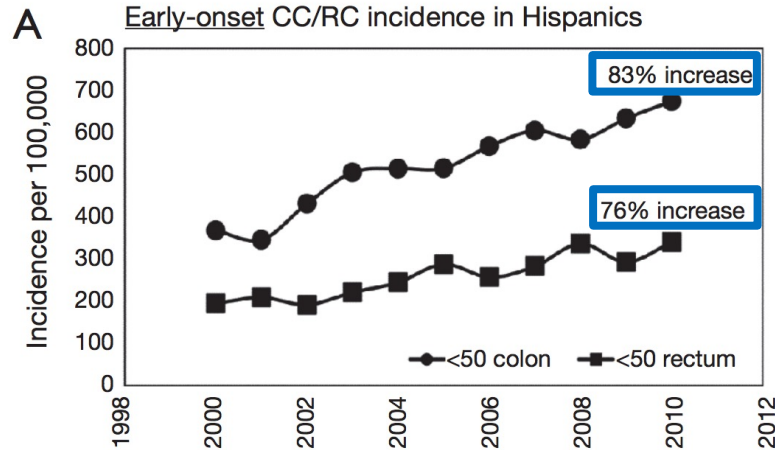
UCLA Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Equity

Veterans Affairs

EO-CRC incidence highest in Black individuals



Significant impact of EO-CRC among Latinos



SEER 18: 2000 – 2010
EOCRC: Age<50
White and Latino individuals

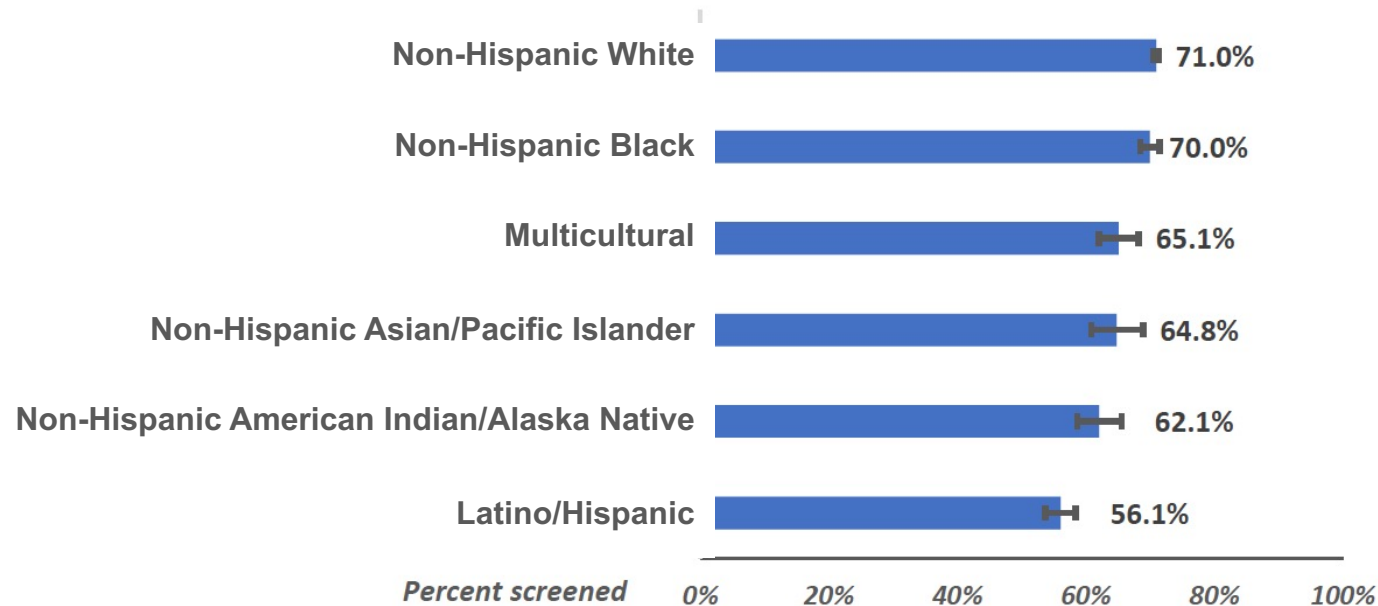
Overview

- Screening test use among the medically underserved
- Barriers to screening among the underserved
- Evidence-based screening interventions
- Completion of non-colonoscopy screening
- Priority research areas

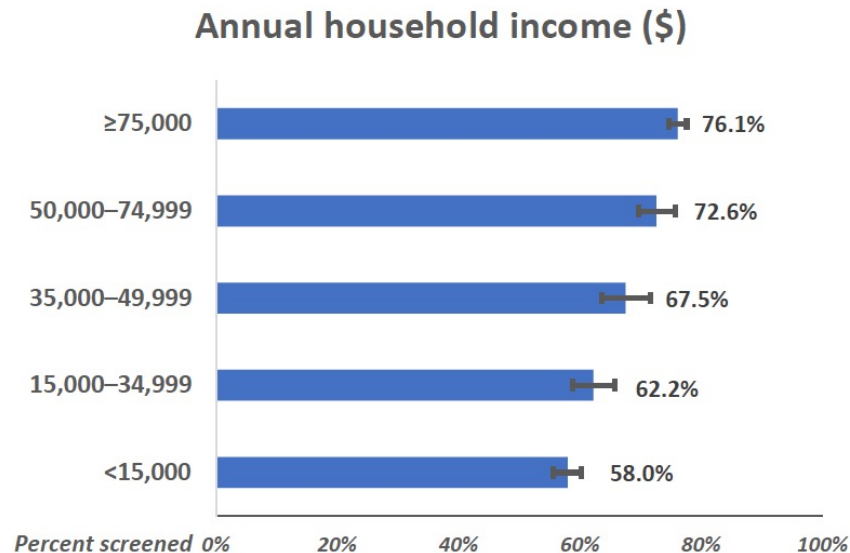
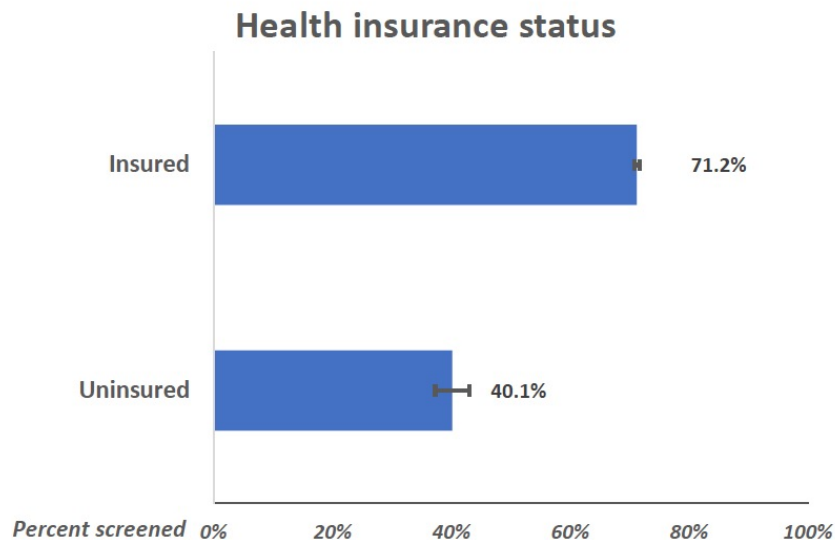


Screening test use by race and ethnicity

U.S. screening rate by race and ethnicity, 2018



Screening test use by insurance and income



Screening test options

Stool-based strategies



gFOBT



Fecal Immunochemical Test (FIT)
FIT-DNA



Direct-visualization techniques



CT Colonography

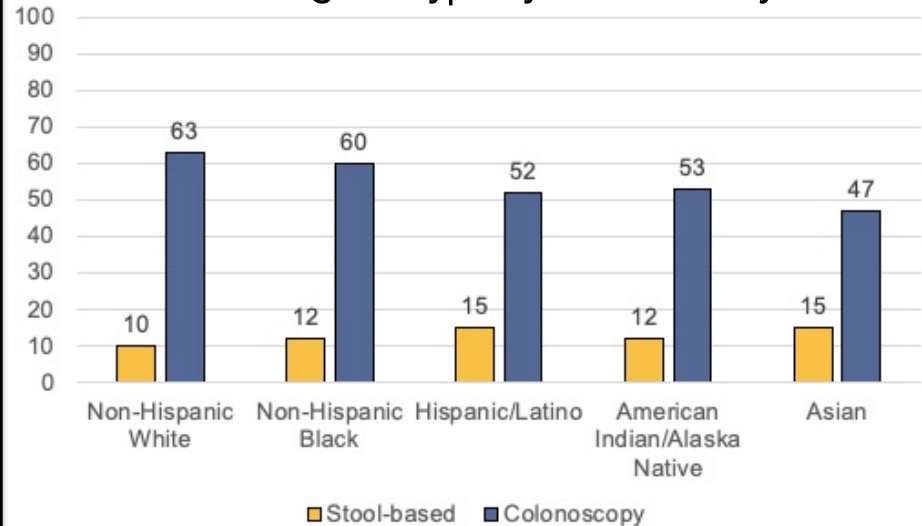


Flexible
Sigmoidoscopy



Colonoscopy

Screening test type by race/ethnicity



Barriers to screening in the underserved

Patient-Level Factors

- Lack of Knowledge
- Beliefs/Cultural factors
- Education
- Health Literacy
- Language
- Fear of procedure/prep
- Fear of cancer diagnosis
- Cost/Lack of Insurance
- Distrust
- Comorbidities
- Competing demands
- Logistical challenges

Provider-Level Factors

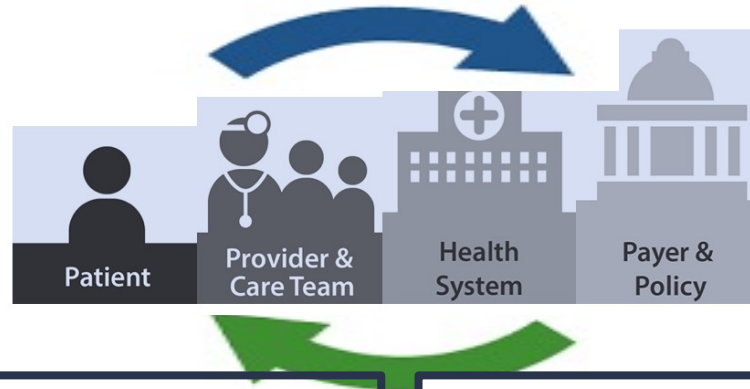
- Knowledge
- Beliefs
- Practice setting
- Counseling practices
- Lack of recommendation
- Discrimination
- Time constraints
- Perceived need
- Support/Resources

System-Level Factors

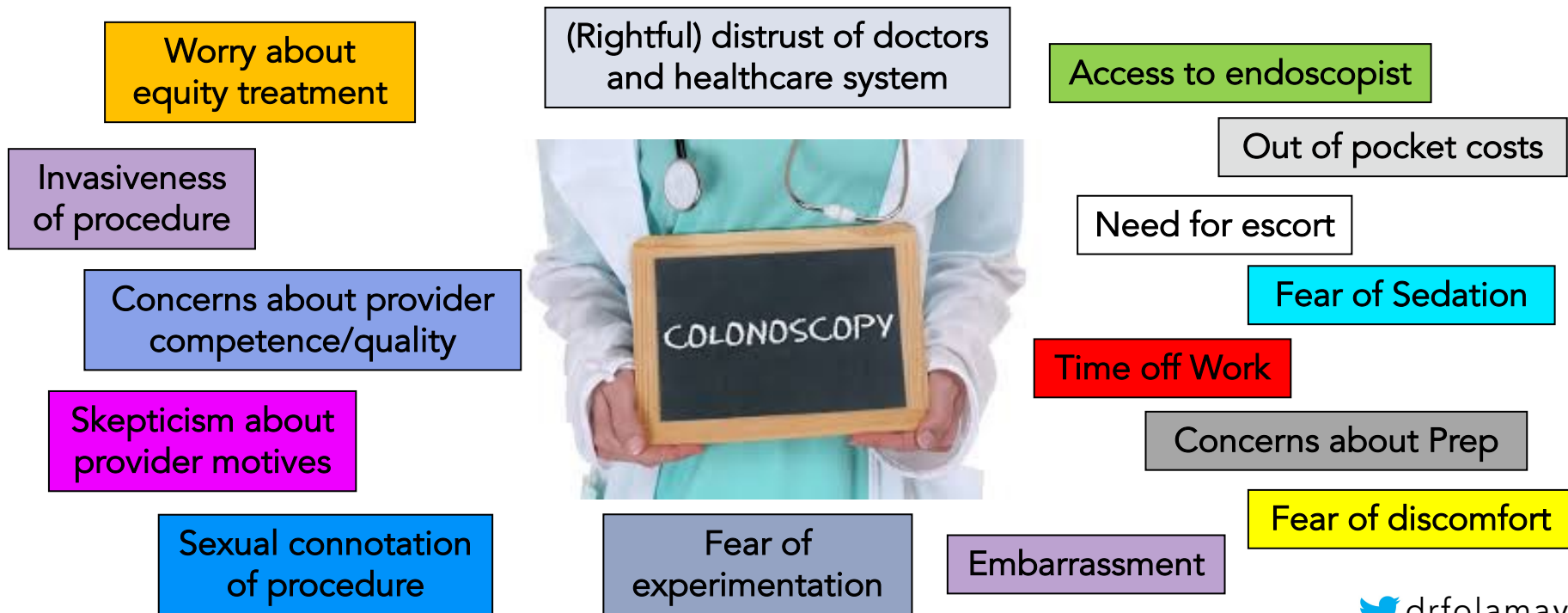
- Access to screening
- Colonoscopy capacity
- Quality of Care
- Reminder systems
- Provider assessment
- Provider feedback
- Care coordination
- Coverage policy


Policy-Level Factors

- Screening guidelines
- Insurance access
- Insurance mandate policy
- Coverage policy
- Cost/Co-pay policy
- Access to follow-up



Barriers to screening colonoscopy in the underserved



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Evidence-based screening interventions

Patient-Directed

- **Education** (*printed, video, telephone, mailed, electronic*)
- **Direct outreach** (*clinic, telephone, mailed*)
- **Reminders** (*printed, telephone, mailed, electronic*)
- **Barrier-directed efforts**
- **Incentives/financial assistance**
- **Navigation**
- **Decision aid**

Provider-Directed

- **Direct outreach** (*clinic, telephone, mailed*)
- **Printed media**
- **Assessment and feedback**
- **Incentives**

System-Directed

- **Reminder systems**
- **Clinical workflow changes**
- **Population health management**
- **Navigation**
- **EHR prompts/nudges**

Policy-Directed

- **Insurance mandate**
- **Federally qualified health center support**
- **Preventive services coverage**
- **Eliminate cost barriers**

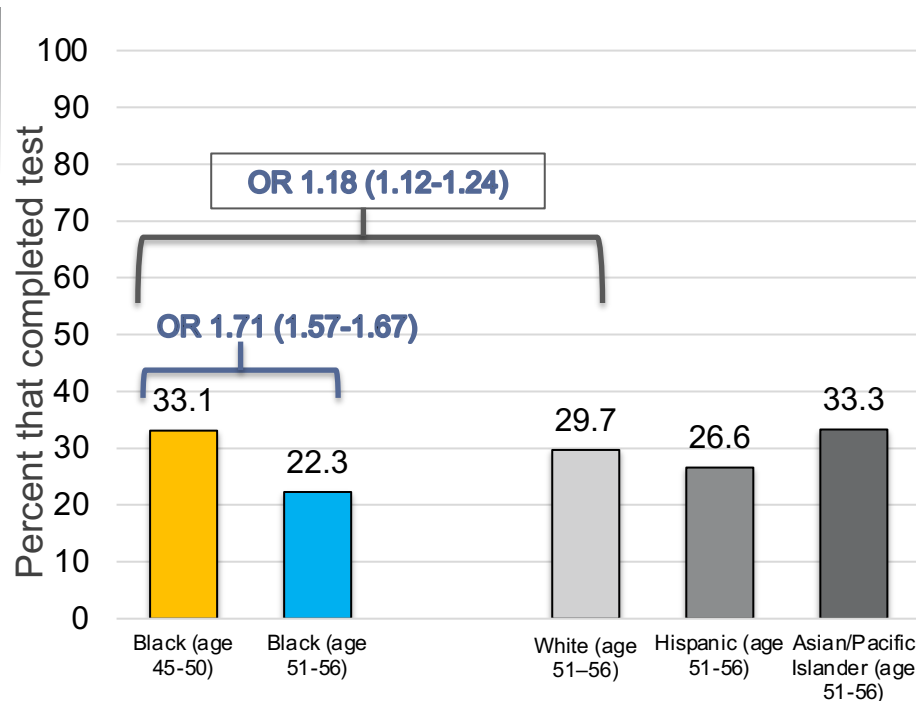
Mailed FIT outreach in Black individuals age 45-50

Patients, setting: Black individuals age 45-50 (N= 10,232); Kaiser Northern CA health plan.

Design: Prospective.

Exposure: Mailed FIT outreach.

Outcome: Screening utilization compared to unscreened Black, White, Hispanic, and Asian/Pacific Islander health plan members age 51-56.



Stool-based screening in Black individuals (RCTs)

Patient navigation Patient-directed education	Author	Intervention	Setting	Effect (OR)
	Arnold et al	Health literacy pamphlet and video	Rural clinic	1.1 (0.6-1.8)
	Campbell et al	Lay health advisor, tailored newsletters, videos	Rural Churches (NC)	2.1 (1.0-4.4)
	Christy et al	Video+FIT or brochure+FIT	Community clinic (FL)	0.3 (0.2-0.5) (87% return)
	Friedman et al	Educational videos in clinic	Community clinic (TX)	1.4 (0.7-2.7)
	Powe et al	Multimedia education	Senior citizen centers (SC)	3.9 (1.9 -8.1)
	Holt et al	Lay health advisors	Churches (AL)	0.5 (0.2 – 1.0) (87% return)
	Horne et al	Education vs. patient navigation	Medicare database (MD)	1.1 (0.7 – 1.6)
	Myers et al	Mailed outreach (SI) vs. tailored mail outreach+navigation(TNI)	Urban clinics (PA)	1.5 (1.0-2.2) (TNI)
	Basch et al	Tailored telephone outreach	Urban (NYC)	39.3 (5.3-291.0)
	Goldberg et al	Mailed FOBT cards and reminders	Urban hospital (IL)	13.0 (3.7-46.5)
	Schroy et al	Decision aid +/- personalized risk assessment tool	Safety-net (MA)	1.4 (1.0-2.0)* (all modalities)

Culturally tailored intervention

Patients, setting: Black individuals age 50-75 years (N = 330); community setting (FL).

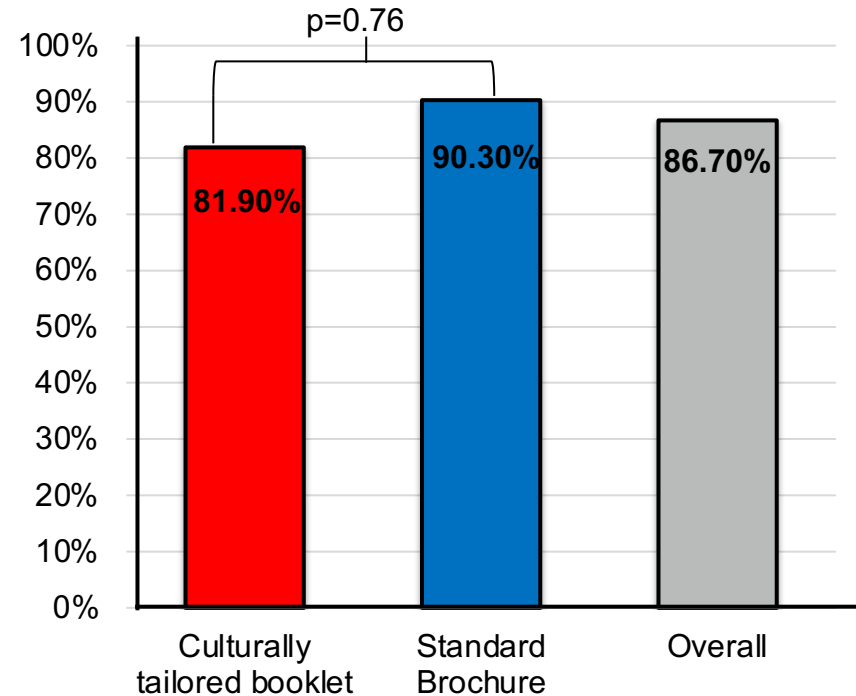
Design: Efficacy study of 2 intervention conditions promoting CRC screening.

Intervention

Arm 1: Culturally tailored CDC informational booklet + FIT kit

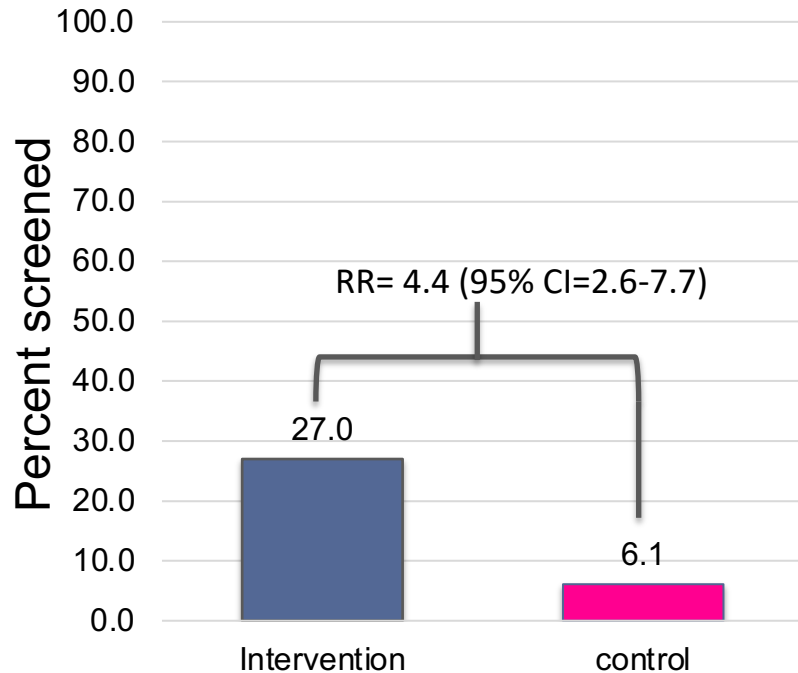
Arm 2: Standard CRC screening brochure plus an FIT kit

Outcome: FIT kit screening uptake.



Overall 87% return

Telephone outreach intervention



Patients, setting: Majority Black population (N=153/266) in NYC urban setting.

Design: RCT

Intervention:

Arm 1 (intervention): Tailored telephone outreach

Arm 2 (control): mailed printed materials

Outcome: completion of 3 FOBT, sigmoidoscopy, colonoscopy, or a barium enema in 6 months.

Patient navigation intervention

Patients, setting: Low-income Blacks and Latinos age 50-75 years (N=843); One large medical center.

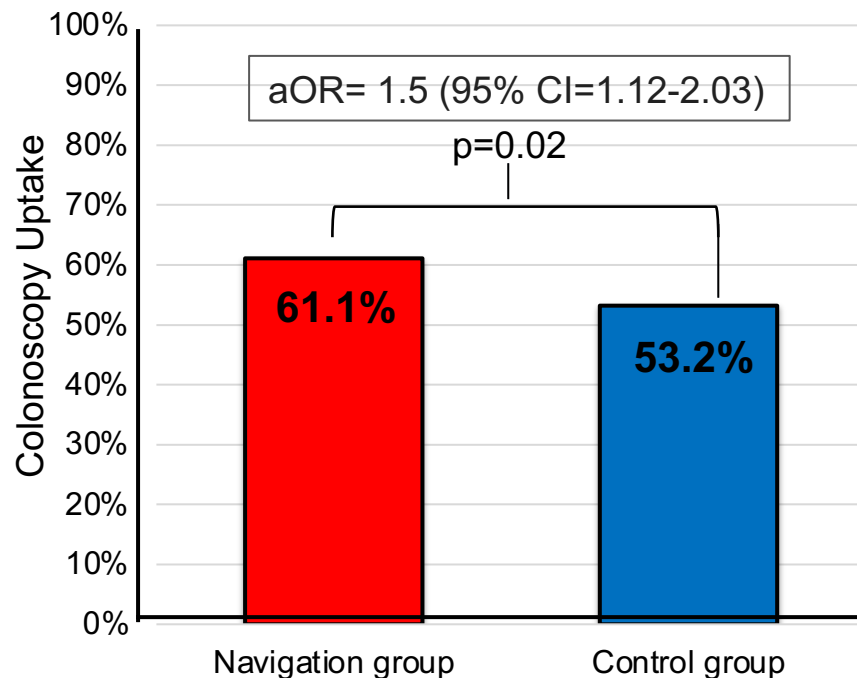
Design: RCT.

Intervention

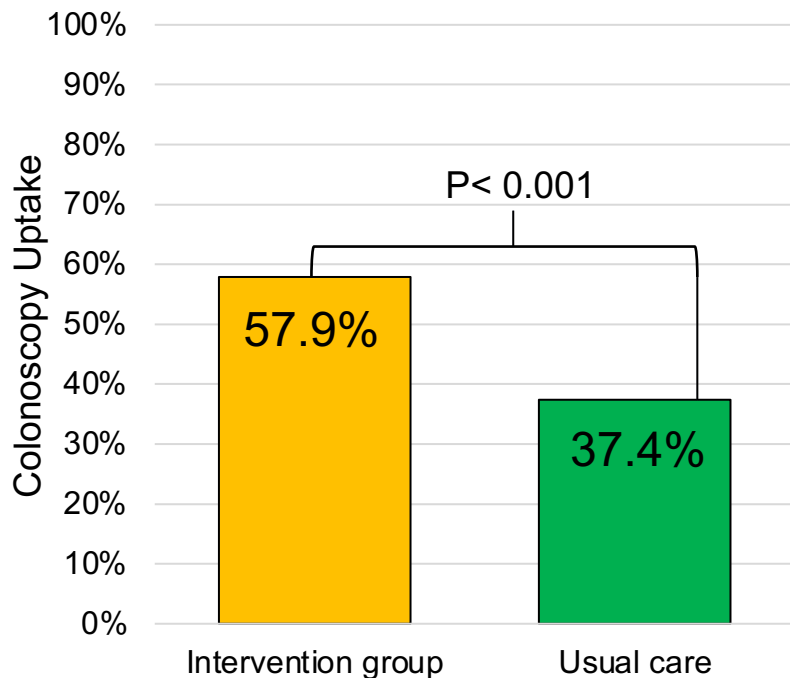
Arm 1: Telephone-delivered individualized education by two bilingual navigators.

Arm 2: Usual care

Outcome: Colonoscopy completion within 6 months



Mailed FIT intervention



Patients, setting: Safety-net system (8 clinics); Majority Black and Latino patients age 50-75 years. N=10,820.

Design: Cluster randomized trial

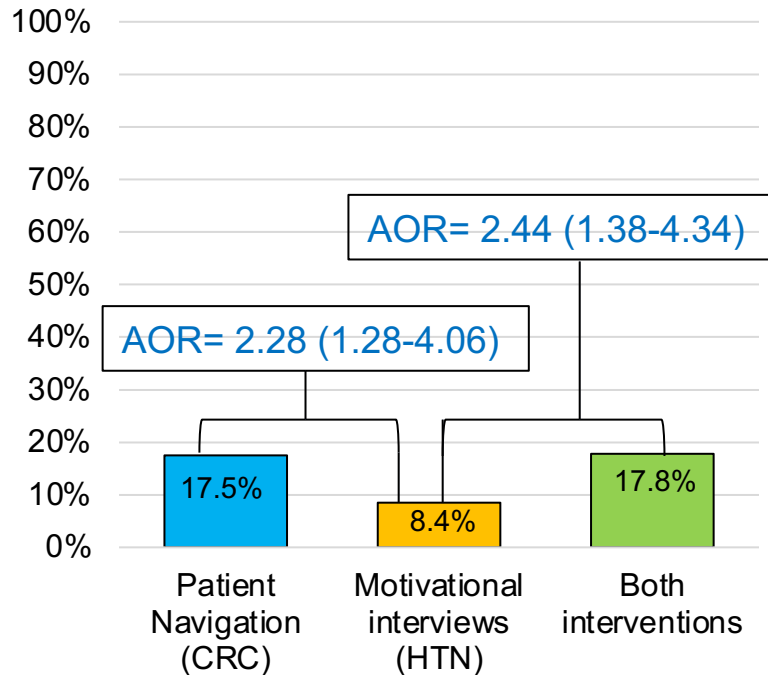
Intervention

Arm 1: Mailed postcard + telephone call + mailed FIT kit + Reminder call

Arm 2: Usual care

Outcome: Screening participation at 1 year

Patient Navigation in non-clinical settings (Barbershop studies)



Patients, setting: Black males (N=731) age > 50 recruited in barbershops between 2010 and 2013.

Design: 3-arm randomized trial.

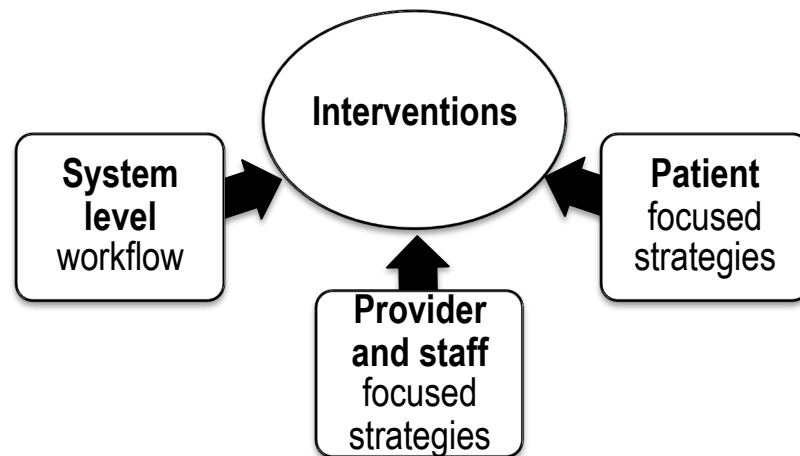
Intervention arms:

- 1) Patient navigation for CRC,
- 2) motivational interviewing for HTN,
- 3) both.

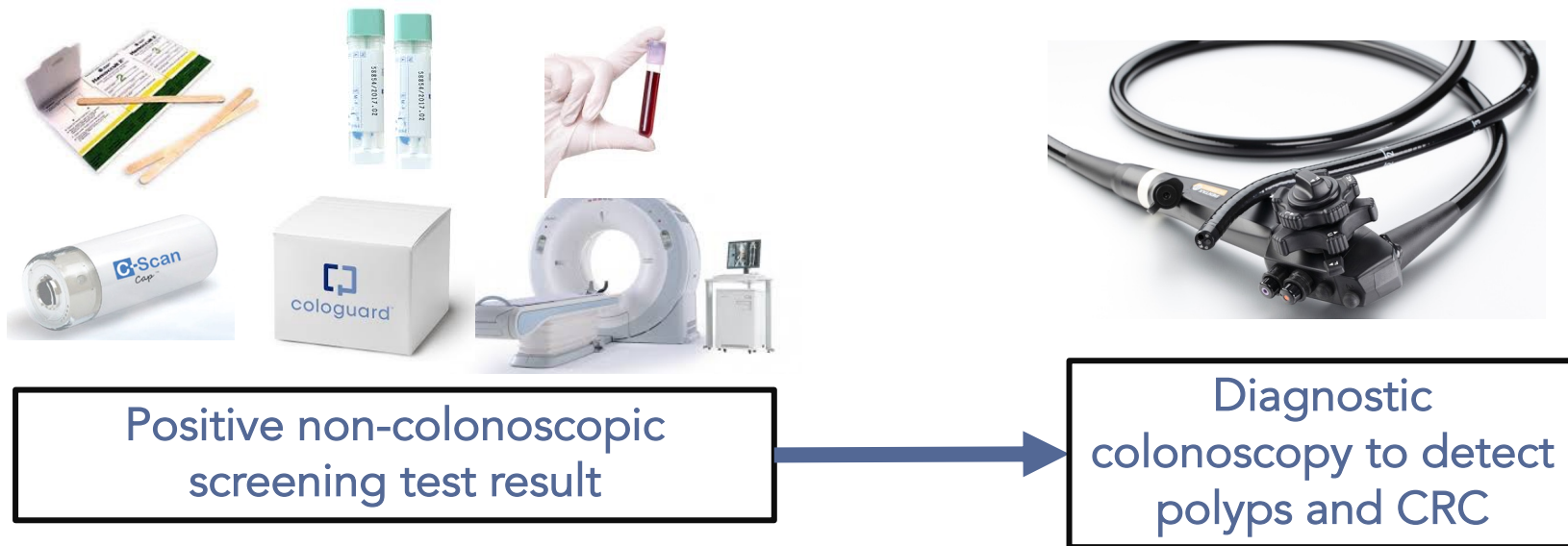
Outcome: CRC screening completion at 6 months.

Features of optimal interventions

- Multi-level, multicomponent interventions (patient, provider, system, policy)
- Dissemination in community settings
- Culturally tailored navigation approaches by telephone or in-person
- Patient and stakeholder engagement



Emphasis on “Two-Step” Process



Priority research areas

- Role and effectiveness of tailored messaging to encourage screening among individuals from underserved groups age 45-49
- Evidence-based strategies to assure completion of stool-based tests annually
- Strategies to maximize follow-up after abnormal non-colonoscopy screening (policy, insurance coverage)



Summary

- Colorectal cancer (CRC) screening remains underutilized among medically underserved populations.
- Barriers to screening among medically underserved individuals include patient, provider, system, and policy-level factors.
- Implementing evidence-based interventions to encourage uptake of CRC screening will be essential to achieve 80% of the population screened age 45-75.



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