Men's Use of Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) Screening

Evidence from the

Health Information National Trends Survey



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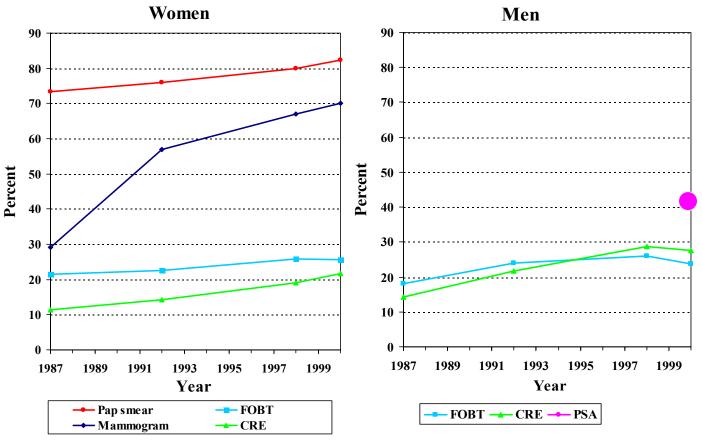
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Screening Uptake

Recent Use of Cancer Screening Tests: 1987, 1992, 1998, 2000



Source: NHIS. Percentages are standardized to the 2000 Projected U.S. Population by 5-year age groups.

PAP smear: Within the last 3 years, age 25+. **Mammogram**: Within the last 2 years, age 40+. **FOBT**: Fecal Occult Blood Test within the last year, age 50+. **CRE**: Colorectal endoscopy within the last 3 years, age 50+. **PSA**: Prostate Specific Antigen test within the past year, age 50+. Source: Swan J et al, *Cancer*, 2003

PSA Screening Controversy

Potential Benefits



Potential Harms

- Early detection
- Treatment may be effective
- May contribute to the declining mortality; insufficient evidence

- False positives
- Diagnosis of clinically insignificant cancers
- Treatment side effects

Evidence to Support Screening

US Preventive Services Task Force review of evidence

On-going randomized controlled trials

- European Randomized Study of Screening for Prostate Cancer
- U.S. National Cancer Institute Prostate, Lung, Colorectal and Ovarian Trial

Screening Recommendations

U.S. Preventive Services Task Force

American Cancer Society

American Academy of Family Physicians

American College of Physicians/American Society of Internal Medicine

American College of Preventive Medicine

American Medical Association

Medical Decision Making

Patient understanding and decision making

Models of medical decision making

- Shared Decision Making (SDM)
- Informed Decision Making (IDM)



IDM and SDM

Understand the disease

Comprehend available clinical services

- risks & benefits
- limitations & uncertainties
- alternatives

Consider personal preferences

Preferred level of participation in decision-making

Decision consistent with personal preferences

IDM: Any intervention in communities or healthcare systems intended to promote informed decisions

SDM: informed decision making interventions in clinical settings in which both patients and providers express preferences and participate in decision making

Study Objectives

- 1. PSA use among US men
- 2. PSA use among subgroups
- 3. Association between PSA use and factors relevant to SDM/IDM:
 - Health information attention/seeking
 - Perceptions of provider behavior

explain

involve

recommend

Data Source



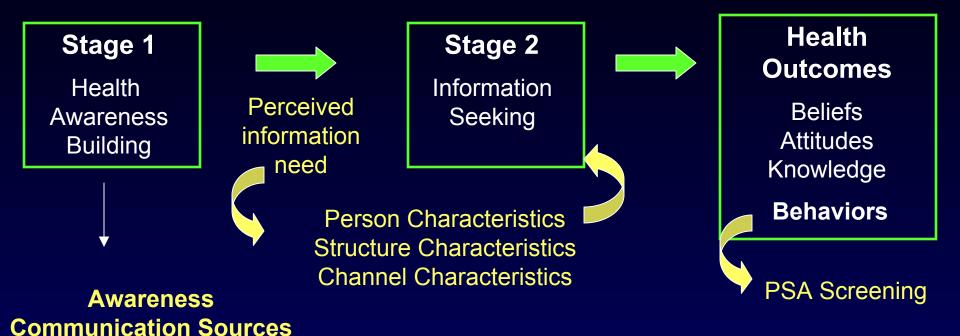
Computer-Assisted Telephone Interview Random Digit Dial (RDD)

National probability sample of adult population (18+)

Surveillance and research vehicle Repeated cyclically to track trends

Conceptual Framework

Consumer-Oriented Health Communication



Formal (e.g. physicians)

Informal (e.g. family)

Commercial (e.g. media)

Sample Characterstics

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Sub-Sample (n=927)
Men
Aged 50+
No history of prostate cancer
Complete Interview
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Survey Content

Prostate Screening

Ever had PSA

Demographics

Education Age

Race/ethnicity Income

Health Care Access

Health insurance Usual source of care

Survey Content (communication)

Perceived Provider Behavior **Explain clearly Involve in decisions Recommend PSA**

Global



Information Attend/Seek



Attend to health/medical information: TV

Radio

Newspapers

Magazines

Internet

Sought cancer information

Analysis

SUDAAN

Bivariate analyses

- Crosstabulations and Chi-Square
- Correlation

Multivariate analyses

Logistic regression

Sociodemographics

Health care access



PSA Screening

Information attend/seek (IDM)

Perceived Provider Behavior (SDM)

Explain Involve Recommend

Sociodemographic Characteristics

	Ever H	ad PSA	Never I	Had PSA	
Age	N	0/0	N	%	
50-64	286	49.7	263	50.3	
65-74	155	67.9	64	32.1	
75+	74	57.6	52	42.4	
Race/Ethnicity					
White, non-Hispanic	426	58.7	274	41.3	
Black, non-Hispanic	44	52.0	37	48.0	
Hispanic	18	26.4	41	73.6	
Non-Hispanic Other	12	34.2	20	65.7	

Sociodemographic Characteristics

	Ever H	ad PSA	Never]	Had PSA	
	N	0/0	N	%	
Income					
≤25,000	88	37.4	135	62.6	
>25,000 to <50,000	146	57.5	105	42.5	
≥50,000	234	63.5	114	33.6	
Education					
< High school	41	38.9	81	61.1	
High school graduate	122	48.9	128	51.1	
Some college	114	57.0	80	43.0	
College graduate	238	72.3	89	27.7	

Health Care Access

	Ever H	Ever Had PSA		Had PSA		
	N	%	N	0/0		
Insurance						
Yes	501	58.3	325	41.7		
No	14	17.9	54	82.2		
Usual Source of C	Care					
Yes	439	61.9	239	38.1		
No	74	32.8	140	67.2		

All \approx 2 for crosstabs of ever/never had PSA with sociodemographic and health care access variables significant at p<01.

Communication

	Ever Had	PSA	Never	Had PSA	
	N	%	N	%	
Received					
Recommendation					
Yes	384	75.9	5	1.6	
No	125	24.1	374	98.45	
² (1)=603.2, p<.0001					

	N	r	p-value	
Perceived Provider Behavio)r			
Explain	748	.05	0.17	
Involve	746	.13	0.0004	
Information				
Attend/Seek	884	.23	0.0000	

Logistic Model

Predictors

Age

Race

Education

Insurance

Usual care

Outcome

Ever Had PSA

Results

	OR	95% CI
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Age		
50 to 64	1.00	1.00-1.00
65 to 74	2.53	1.49-4.31
75 plus	1.50	0.84-2.68
Race/Ethnicity		
White, non-Hispanic	1.00	1.00-1.00
Black, non-Hispanic	0.94	0.47-1.87
Hispanic	0.51	0.21-1.24
Other, non-Hispanic	0.38	0.14-1.03
Education		
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HS	1.78	0.94-3.40
Some College	2.41	1.22-4.77
College Graduate	5.01	2.53-9.90

Results

	OR	95% CI
Health Insurance		
Yes	1.00	1.00-1.00
No	0.32	0.12-0.88
Usual Source of Care		
Yes	1.00	1.00-1.00
No	0.35	0.22-0.54

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Ever Had PSA

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Age		
50 to 64	1.00	
65 to 74	2.60	1.19-5.66
75 plus	2.12	0.74- 6.13
Race/Ethnicity		
non-Hispanic white	1.00	
non-Hispanic black	0.57	0.17-1.86
Hispanic	0.65	0.07-5.76
non-Hispanic other	0.26	0.06-1.18
Education		
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HS	1.59	0.39-6.48
Some College	2.19	0.42-11.32
College Graduate	4.47	0.99-20.29

	OR	95% CI
Health Insurance		
Yes	1.00	
No	0.18	0.01-2.68
Usual Source of Care		
Yes	1.00	
No	0.64	0.29-1.38
Information		
Attention/Seeking	1.03	0.84-1.27
Perceived Provider Behavior		
Explain	0.65	0.38-1.12
Involve	1.76	1.02-3.03
Recommend	236.25	70.53-791.38

Summary

Age

Involve

Recommend



PSA Screening

Important role of health care providers

Patient involvement in decision making

Conclusions

- HINTS provides a unique opportunity to explore the relationship of communication variables with PSA screening
- The controversy surrounding PSA screening underscores the importance of IDM and SDM
- Many questions about patient and provider responsibility and accountability for screening decisions remain