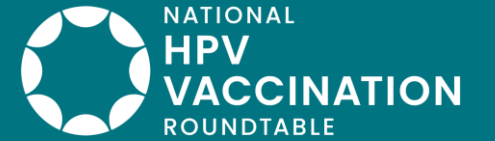


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A Living Landscape: Cervical Cancer Screening

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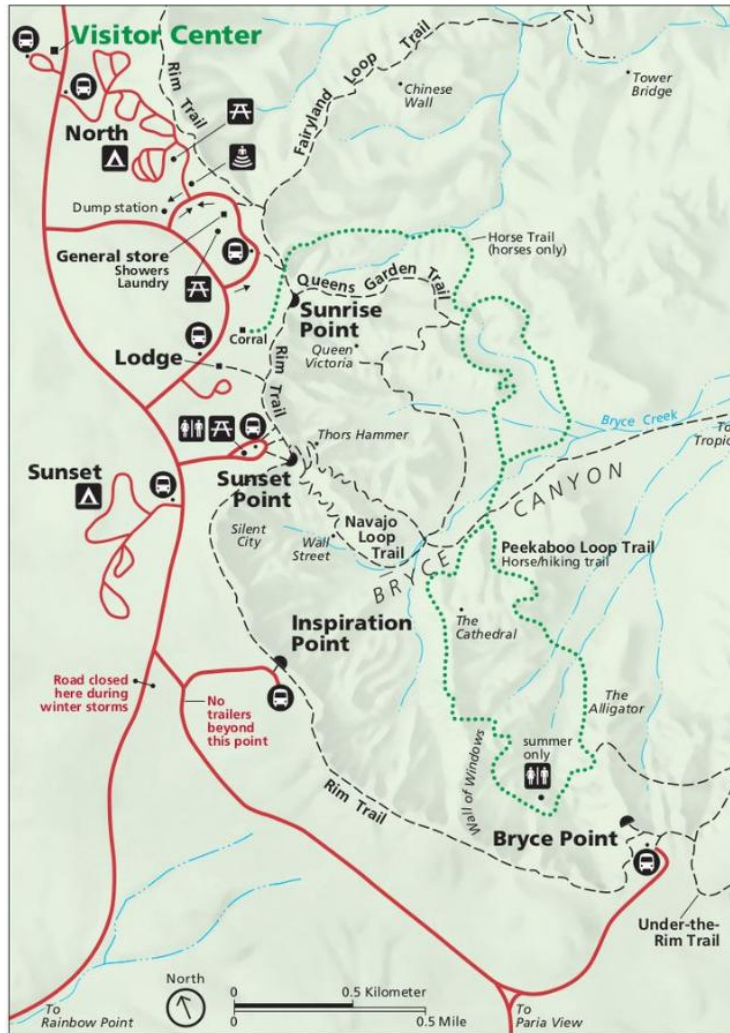
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Approaching the Landscape



- Where we have been
- Where we are now
- Where we are going

Cervical Cancer Screening

Where we have been (recent history)

Liquid-based cytology

- Opportunity for HPV testing → reflex testing
- Clinician collected cervical specimen
 - HPV testing
 - Triage or reflex test for cytology results
 - HPV testing is *not supported for individuals aged less than 25*
 - Transient HPV infections are common
 - Rarely contribute to carcinogenic outcomes.



Cervical Cancer Screening

Where we have been (recent history)

Co-testing

- Concurrent cytology *and* HPV testing
- Increased sensitivity and long term negative predictive value of CIN detection compared to cytology
- Clinician collected cervical specimen



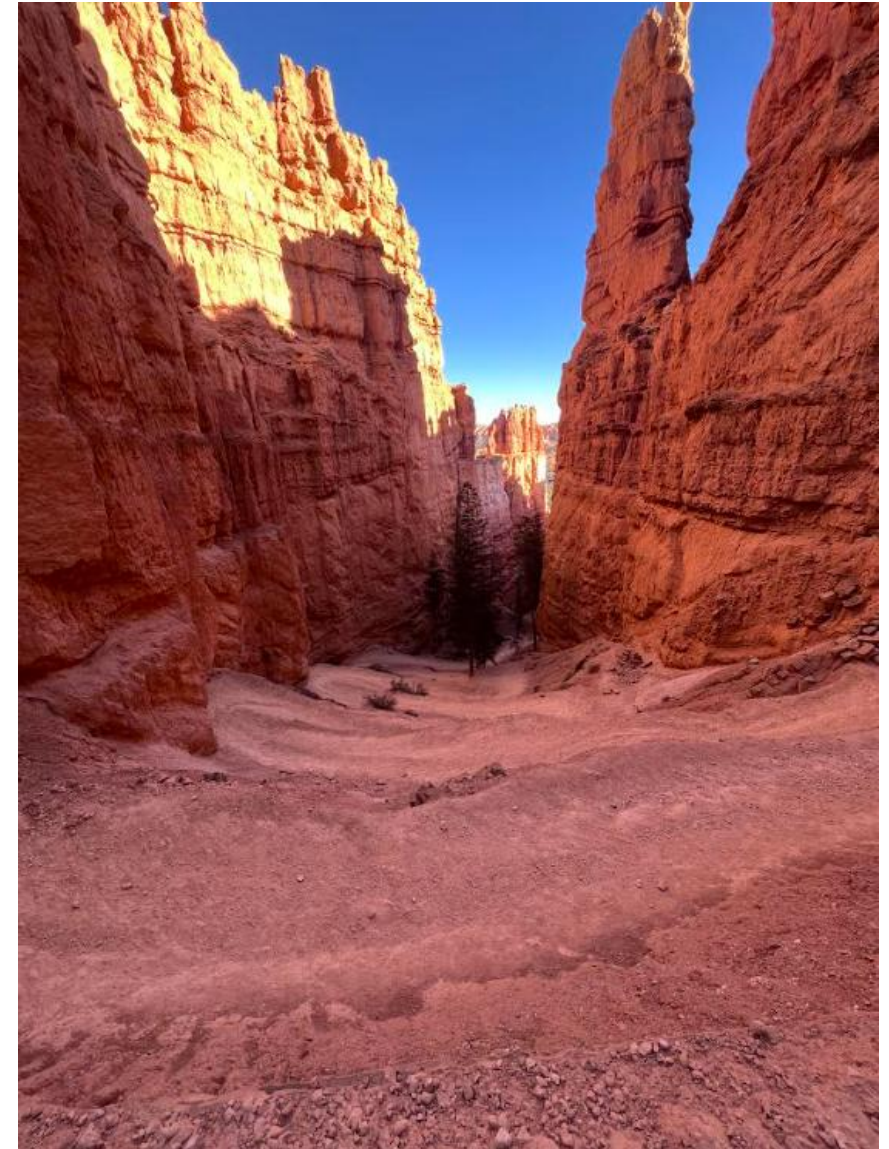
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Where we have been/are (recent history)

Primary HPV screening

- Reports positive based on detection
 - hrHPV mRNA E6/E7 proteins
 - hrHPV DNA
- Sensitivity exceeds cytology alone
- Specificity exceeds co-testing and cytology
- Opportunity for cytology → reflex testing

Clinician collected cervical specimen... *and*



Cervical Cancer Screening

Where we are now

Primary HPV screening: *Self collection in the CLINIC setting*

When:

- if not possible or desirable for the clinician to collect a cervical specimen

Who:

- Asymptomatic patients -No abnormal bleeding
- No history: cervical cancer, HIV infection, DES exposure
- No active menstrual bleeding, or use of vaginal products in the previous two days

How:

- Molecular testing (HPV RNA or DNA) via vaginal collection.
- Cervical specimen is *not* collected by this screening method.

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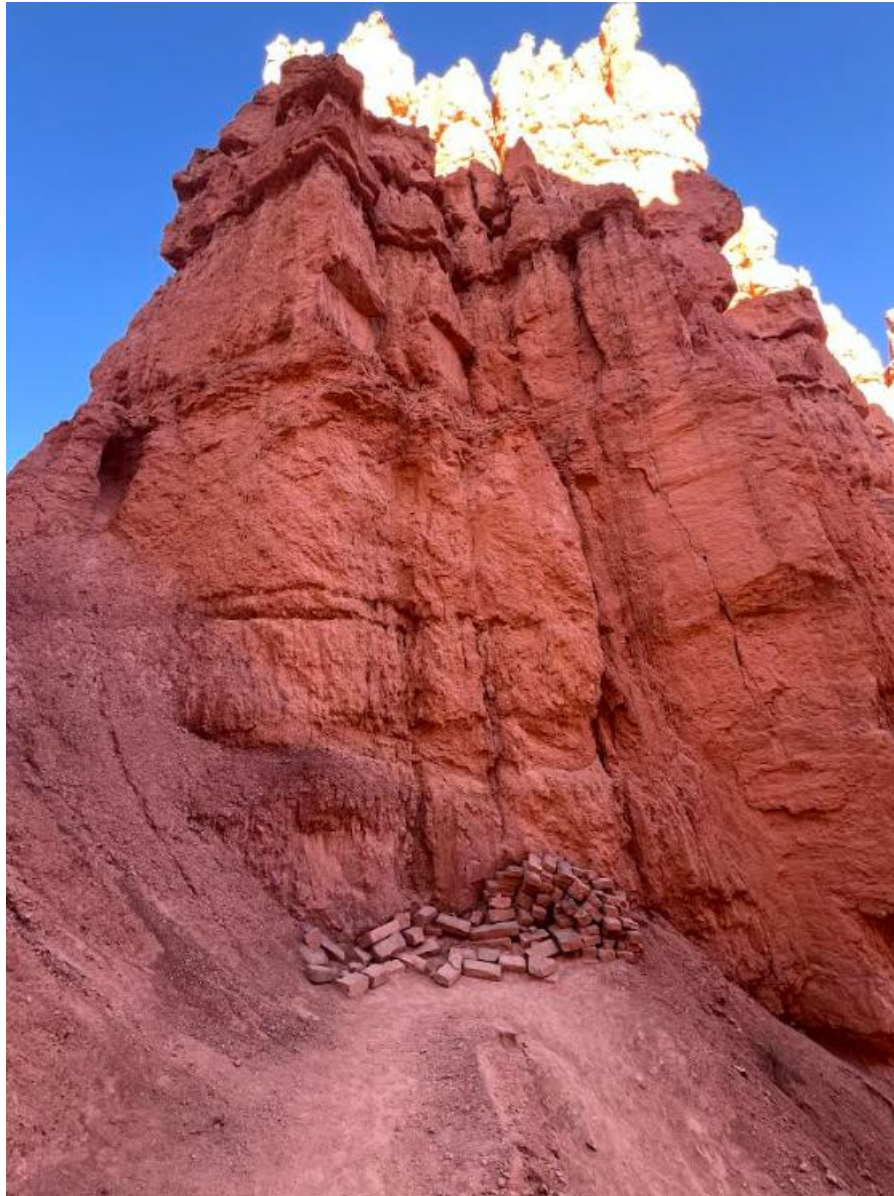


Where we are now/going

Primary HPV screening: *Self collection in the HOME setting*

- Concept similar to Clinic setting
 - Specific software collection requirements
- Evidence for the utilization and validity
- FDA approval occurring

Cervical Cancer Screening



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Cervical cancer screening guidelines issued in 2016 (effective with plan years beginning in 2018)	Cervical cancer screening guidelines issued in 2025 (effective with plan years beginning in 2027)
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Abbreviations: hrHPV, high-risk human papillomavirus; HRSA, Health Resources and Services Administration; Pap, Papanicolaou.

A Living Landscape



Cervical Cancer Screening

Where are we going

- Education – patient and provider
- IT/EHR
- Stigma
- Access
- Cost/Coverage
- **Self Collection**

The *impact* of these work groups continues.



ACS NRTCC Self-Collection Work Group

Accomplishments

Creation of on-line resources:

Preparing for Self-Collection: Clinician Communication Guide

Cervical Cancer Screening with the HPV Self-Collection Test for women and people with a cervix

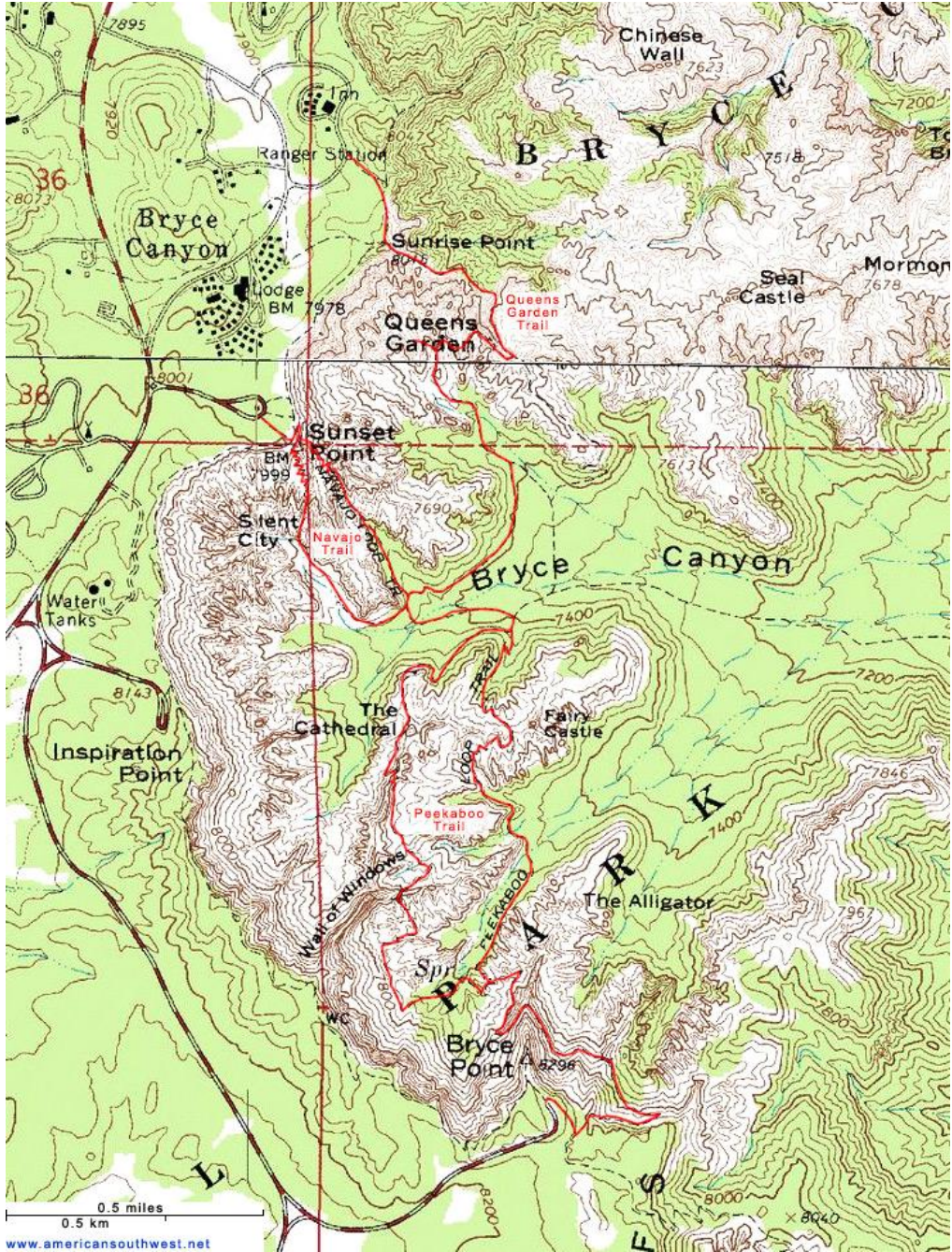
- webinar series targeted for FQHCs and other safety net settings

Current work

Development of a **mapping dashboard** that tracks uptake by clinics/systems to:

- monitor and communicate trends
- enable health systems to easily connect

Navigation Plan



Finding the trail



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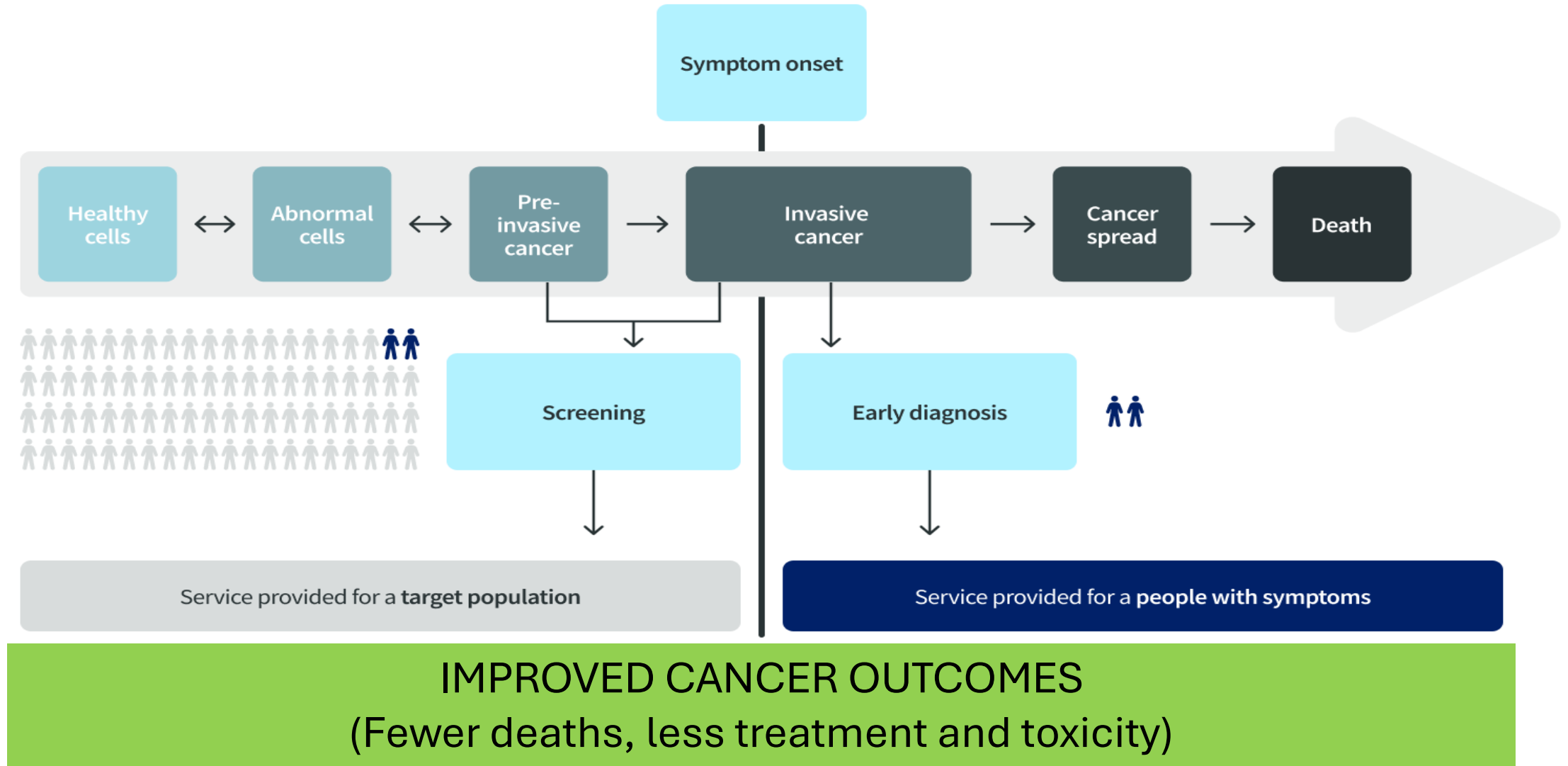
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Treatment of HPV Associated Cancers

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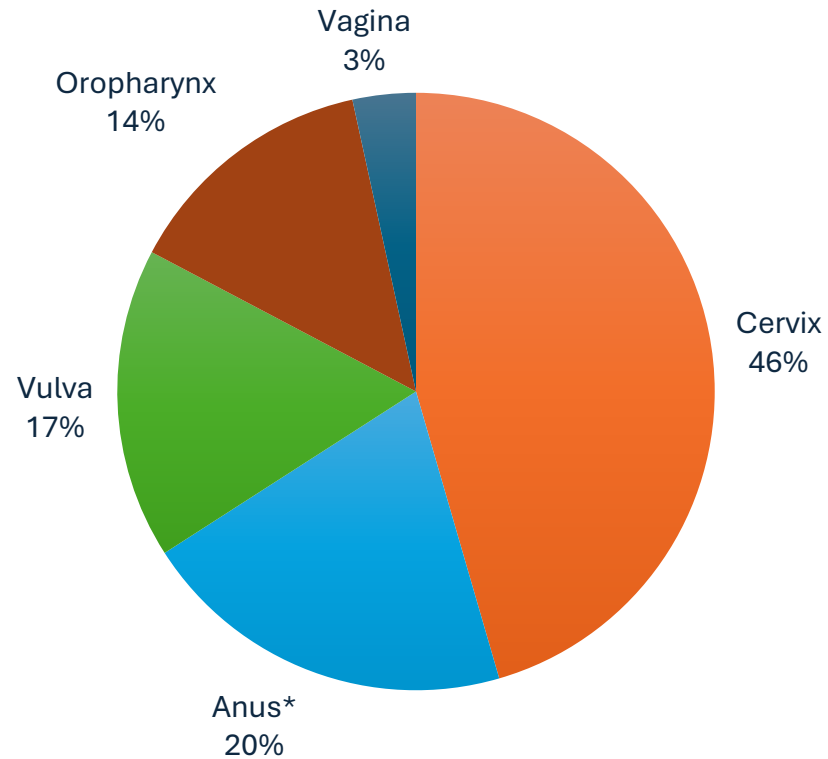
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The Goal of Prevention is Improving Cancer Outcomes

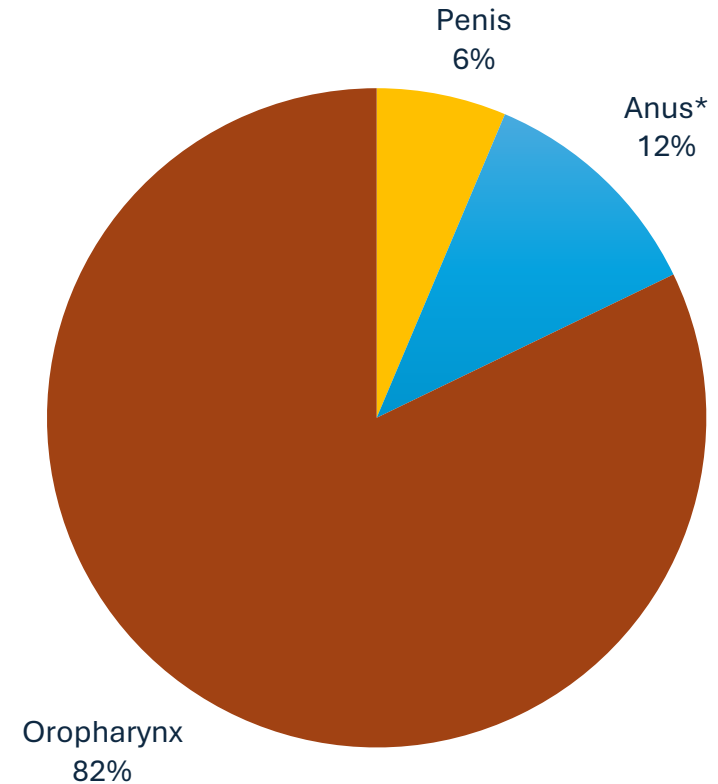


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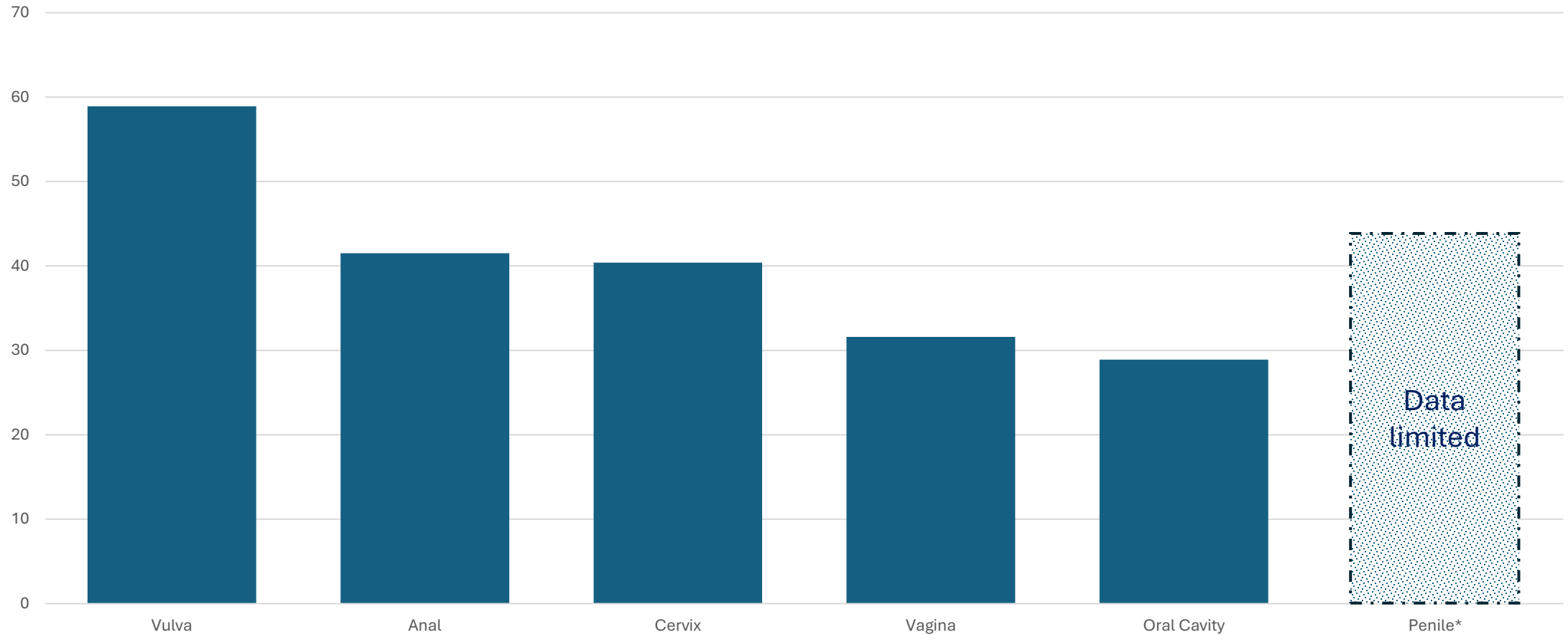
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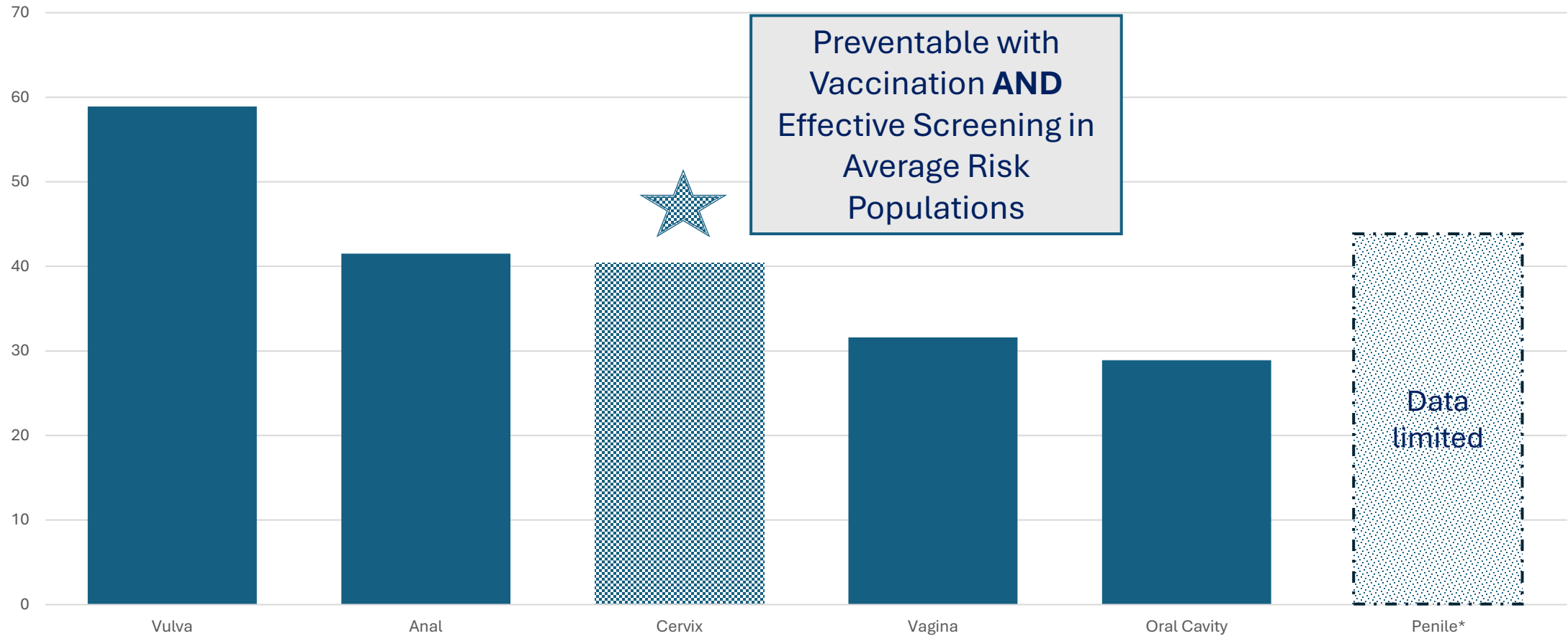
Annual Male Cases (n=21,704)



HPV Cancers Localized at Diagnosis



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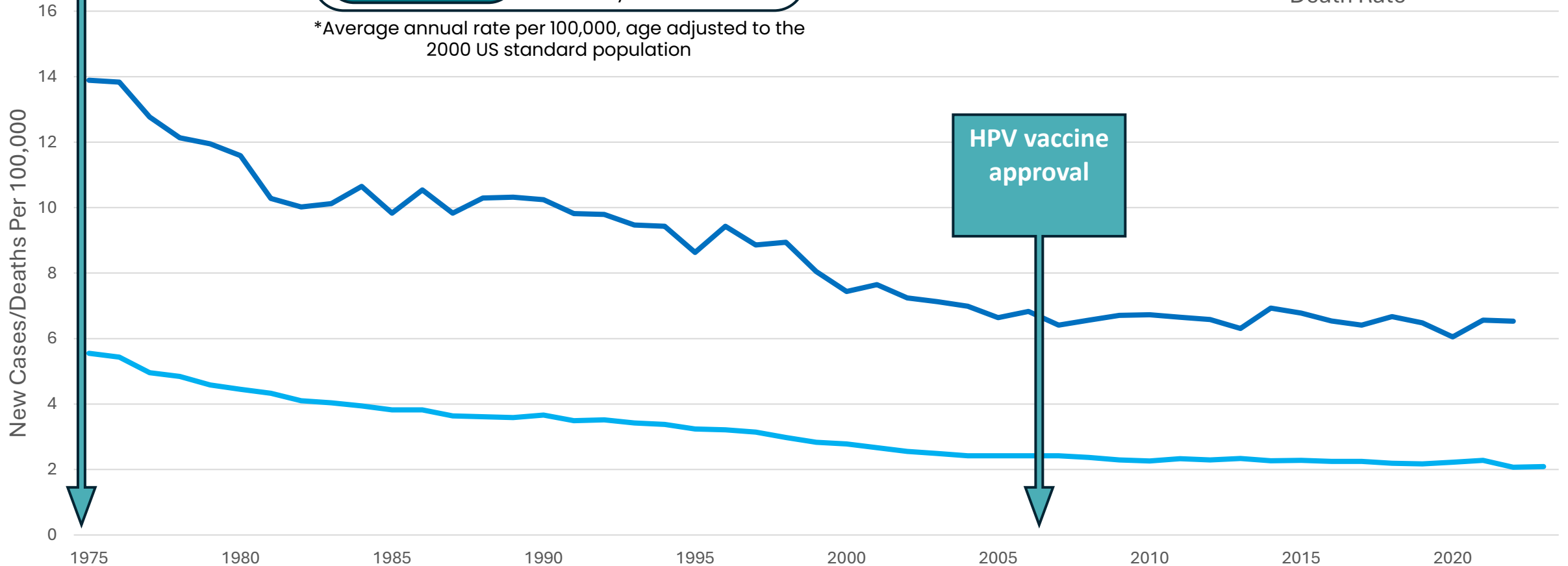
Cervical Cancer Incidence and Mortality

Widespread screening availability

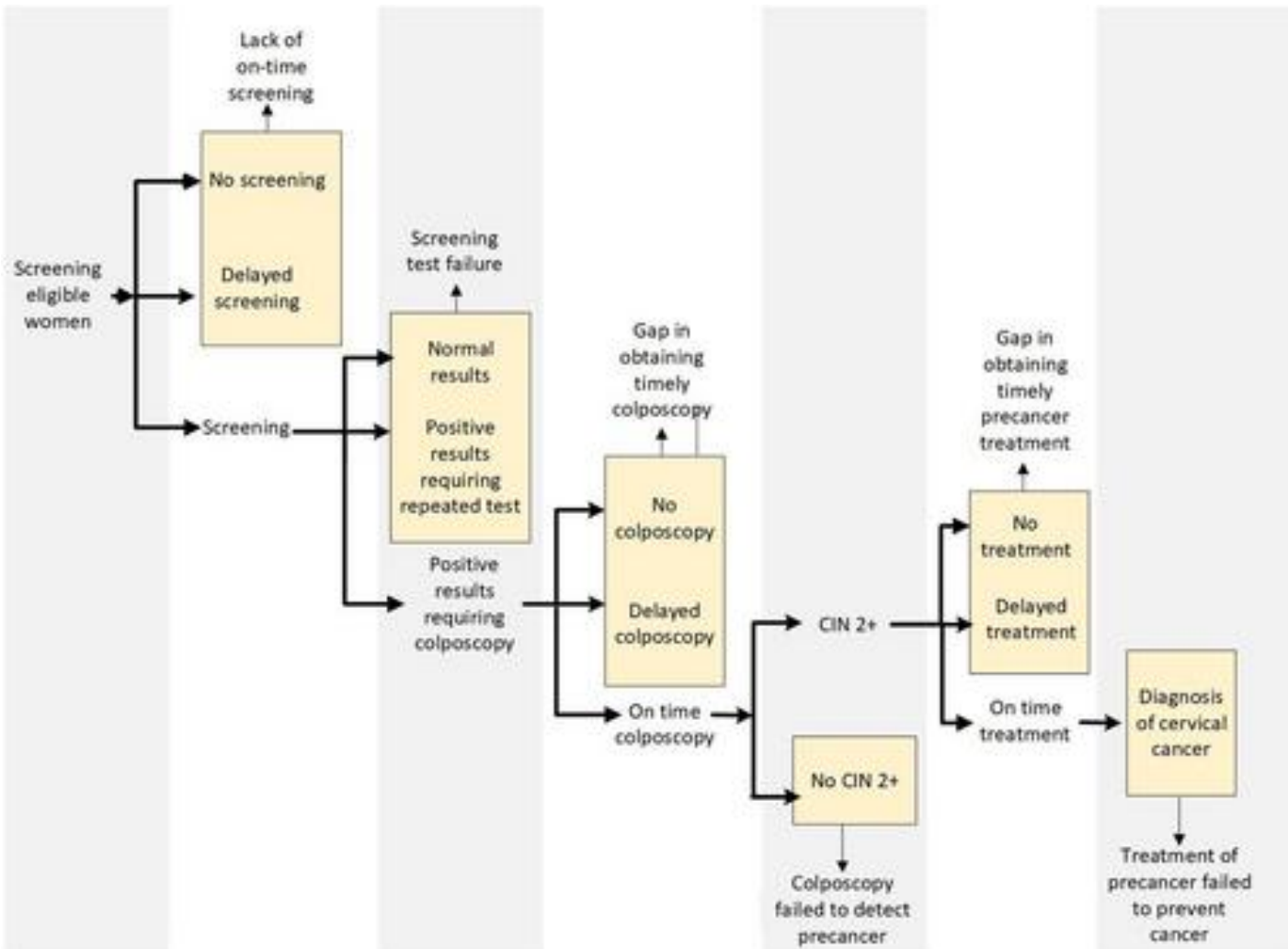
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*Average annual rate per 100,000, age adjusted to the 2000 US standard population

— Rate of New Cases
— Death Rate



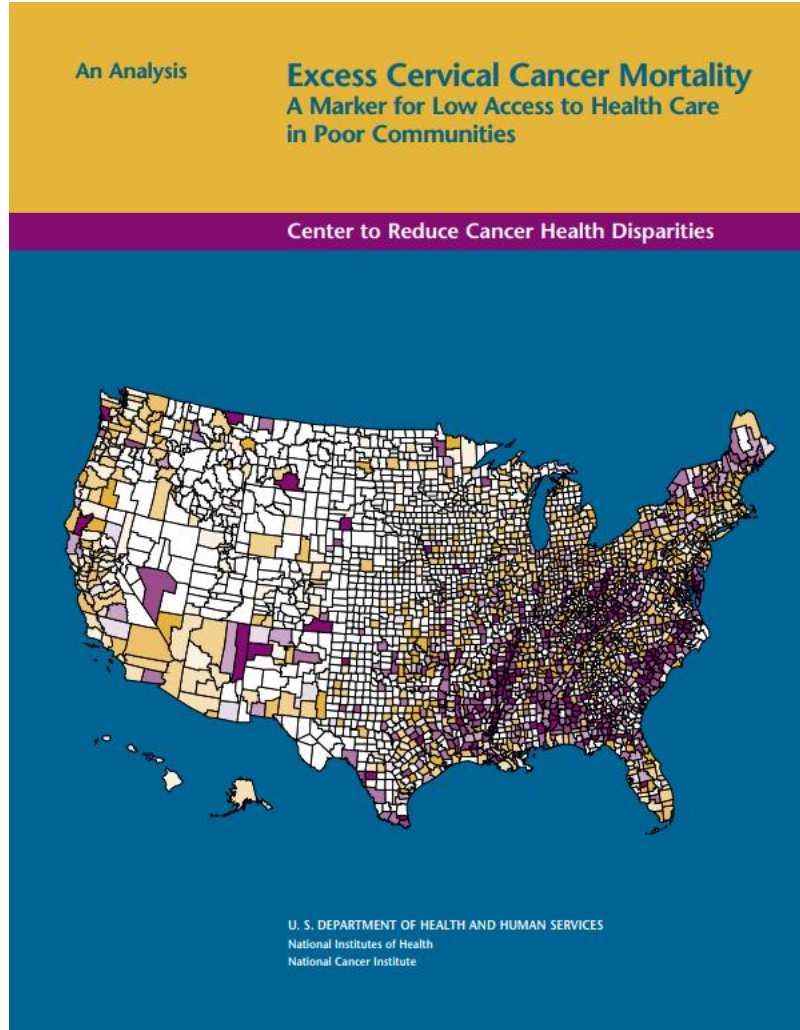
Cervical Cancer Results from Care Gaps



Care gap types in the screening history among women diagnosed with cervical cancer

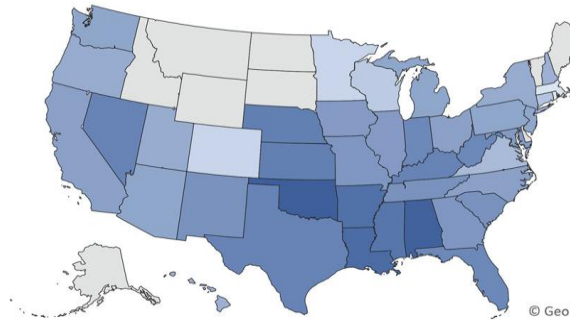
Lack a screening test	46.3%
Screening test failure	31.2%
Diagnostic/treatment care gap	22.2%
No clear care gap	0.2%

Care Gaps Persist After Diagnosis



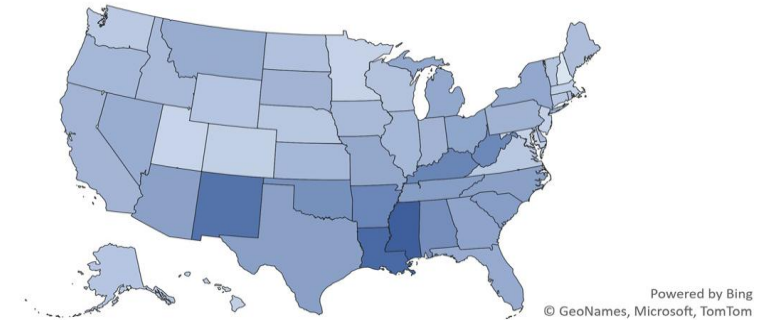
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Age-Adjusted Rate 0.8 3.5



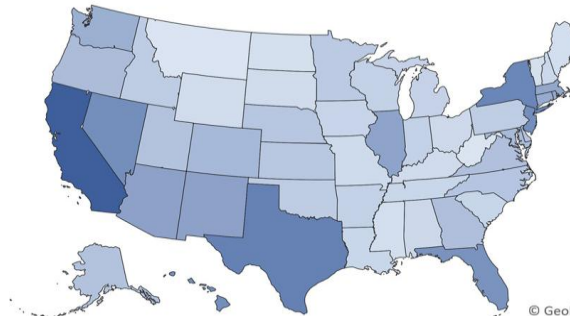
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Rate 7% 20%



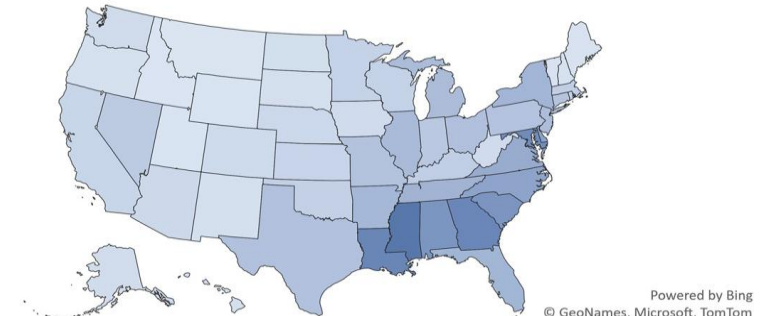
(C) Low English Proficiency

Percent 1% 19%



(D) Black Race

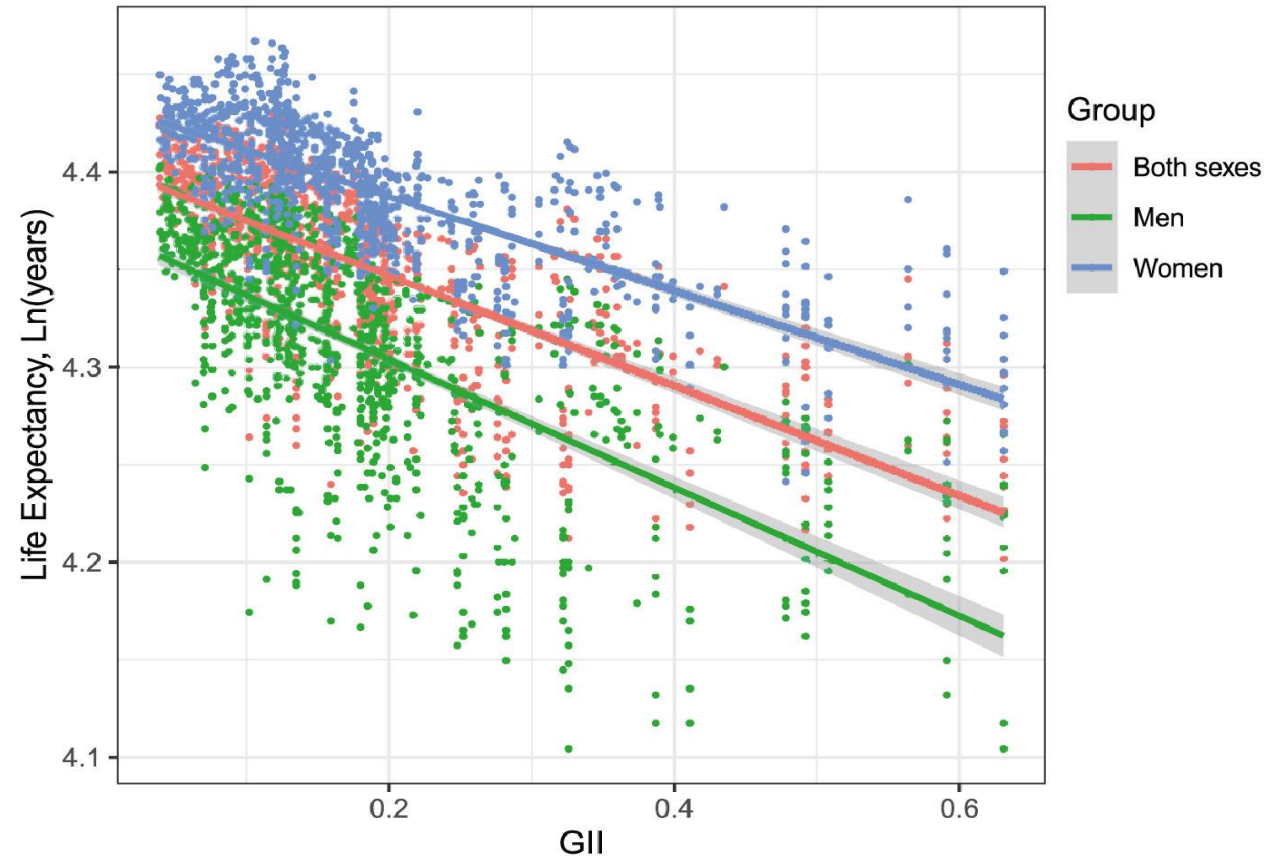
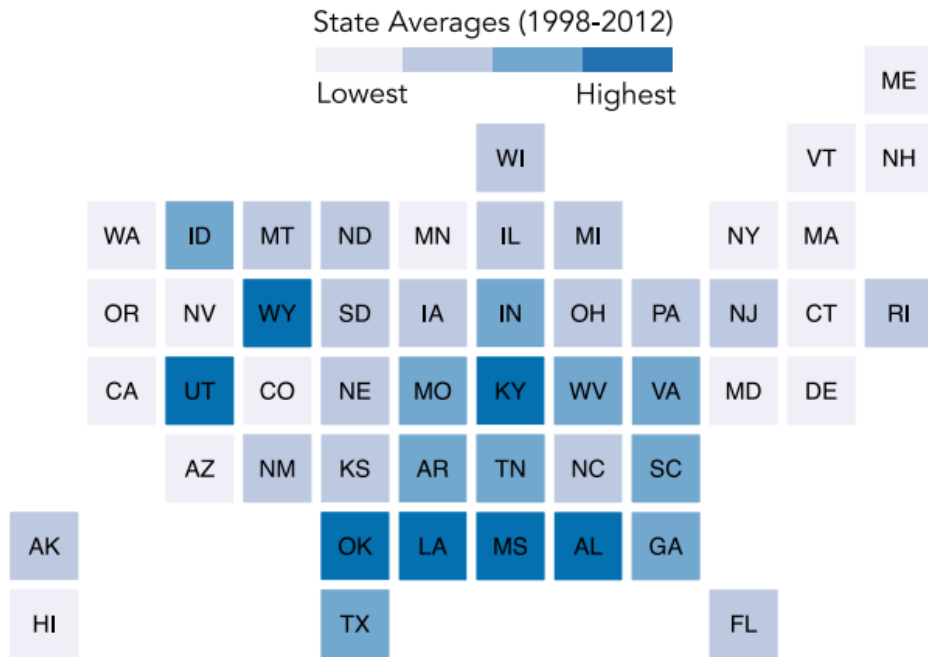
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Social Factors Influence the Health of Women



Social Factors That Influence Health Outcomes For Women

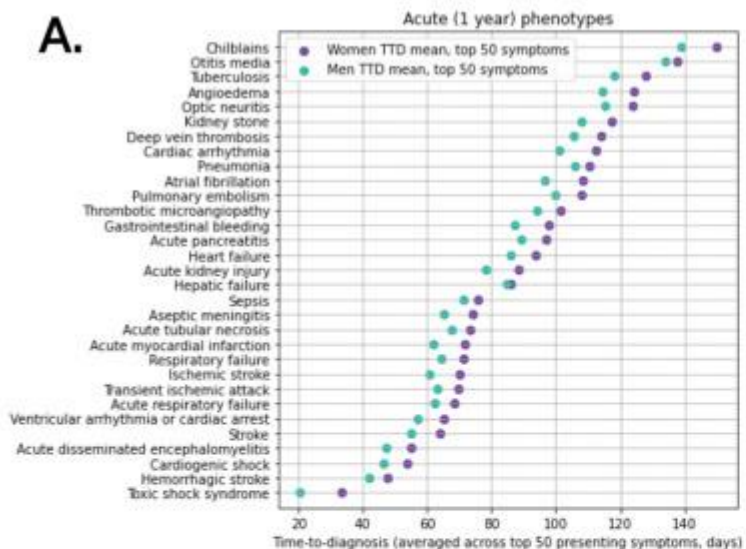


Structural sexism – “systematic gender inequality in power and resources in a given gender system”

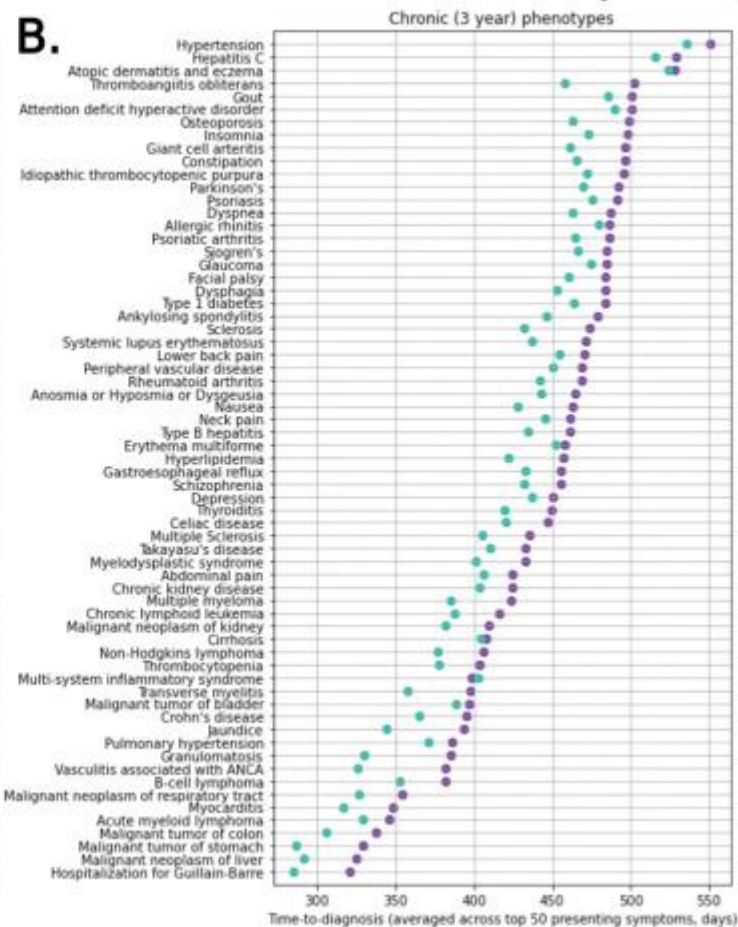
Delays in Diagnosis Are More Common Amongst Women

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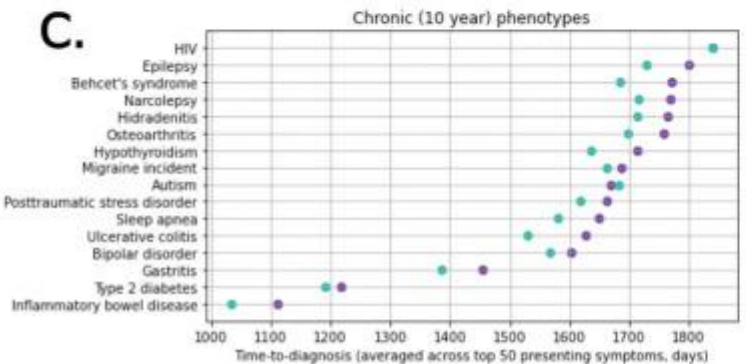
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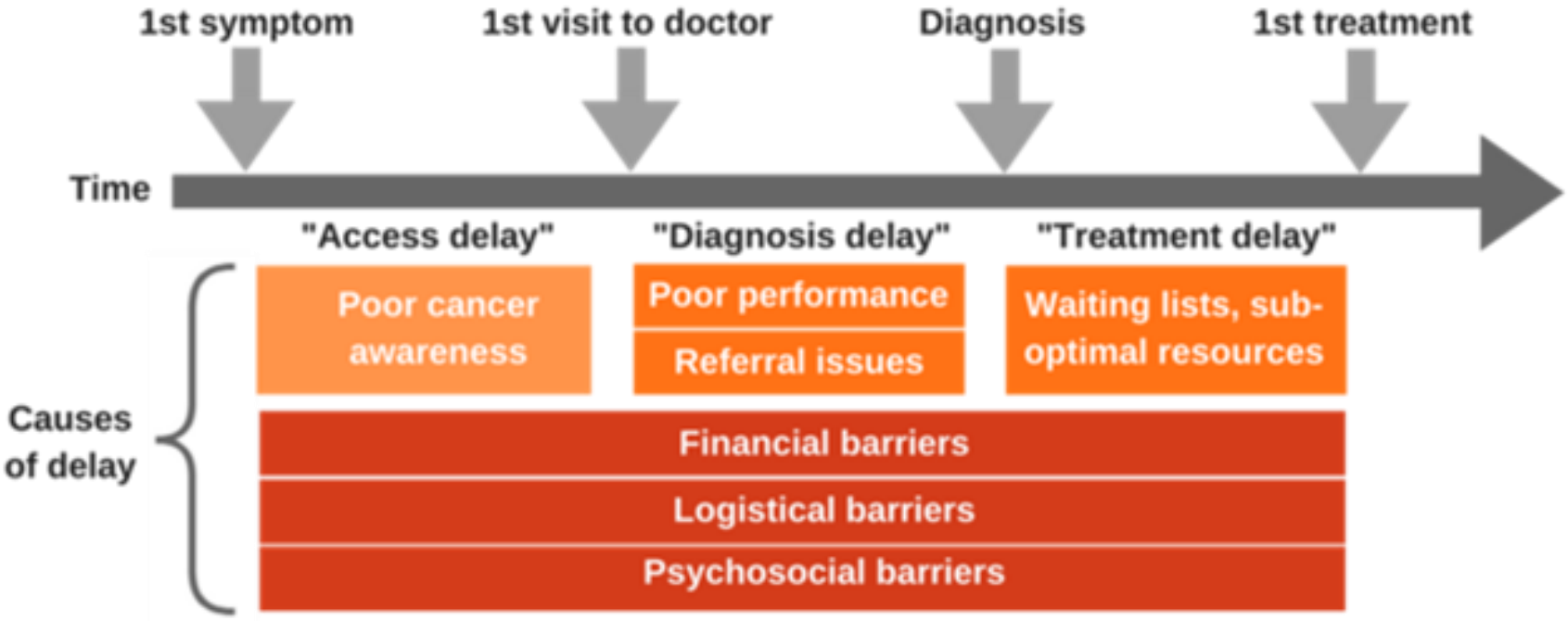


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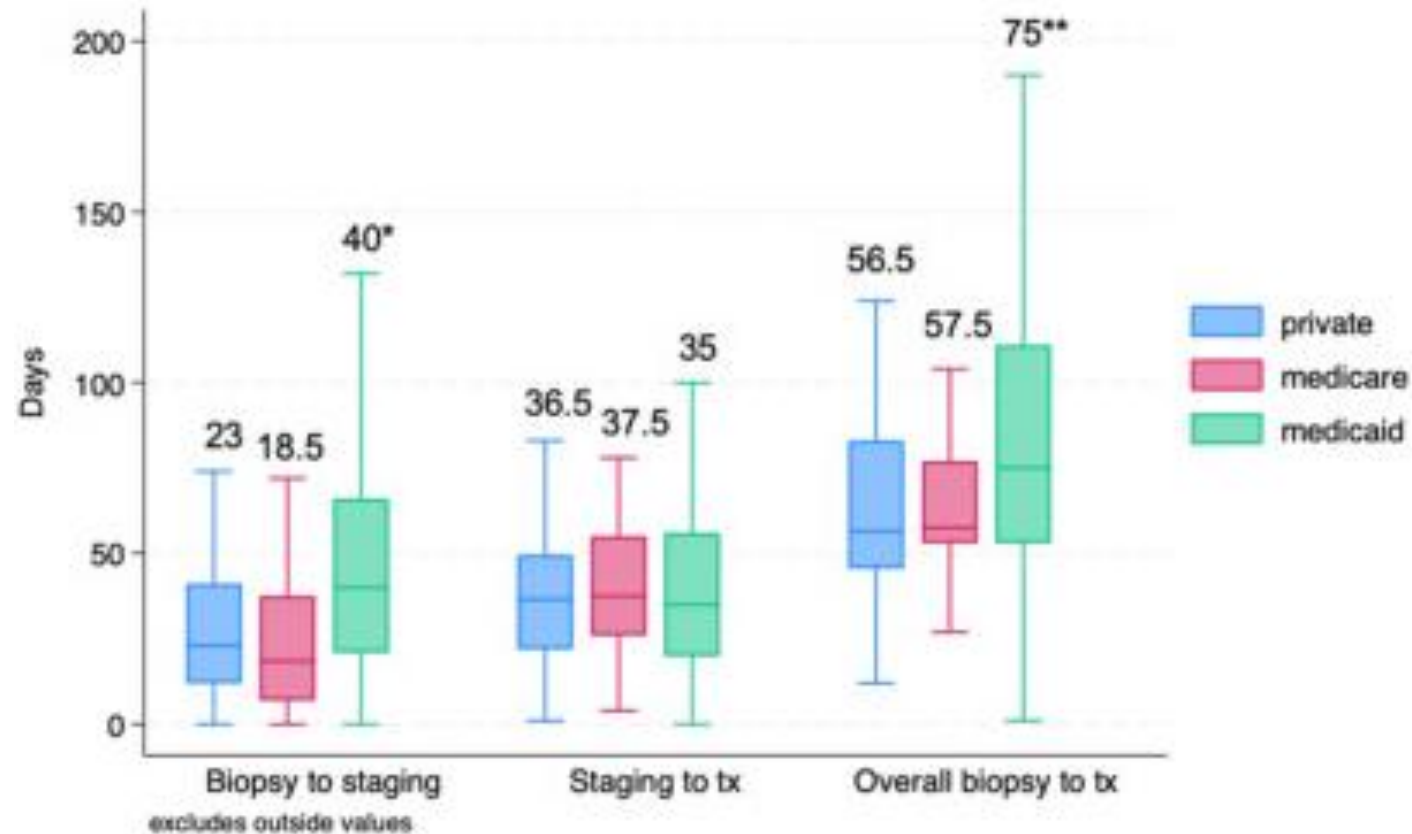


Women wait 21, 63, and 134 days longer than men after their first presentation with any relevant symptom for the acute, mid-length chronic, and long-term chronic phenotypes respectively

Delays to Treatment Negatively Influence Cancer Outcomes

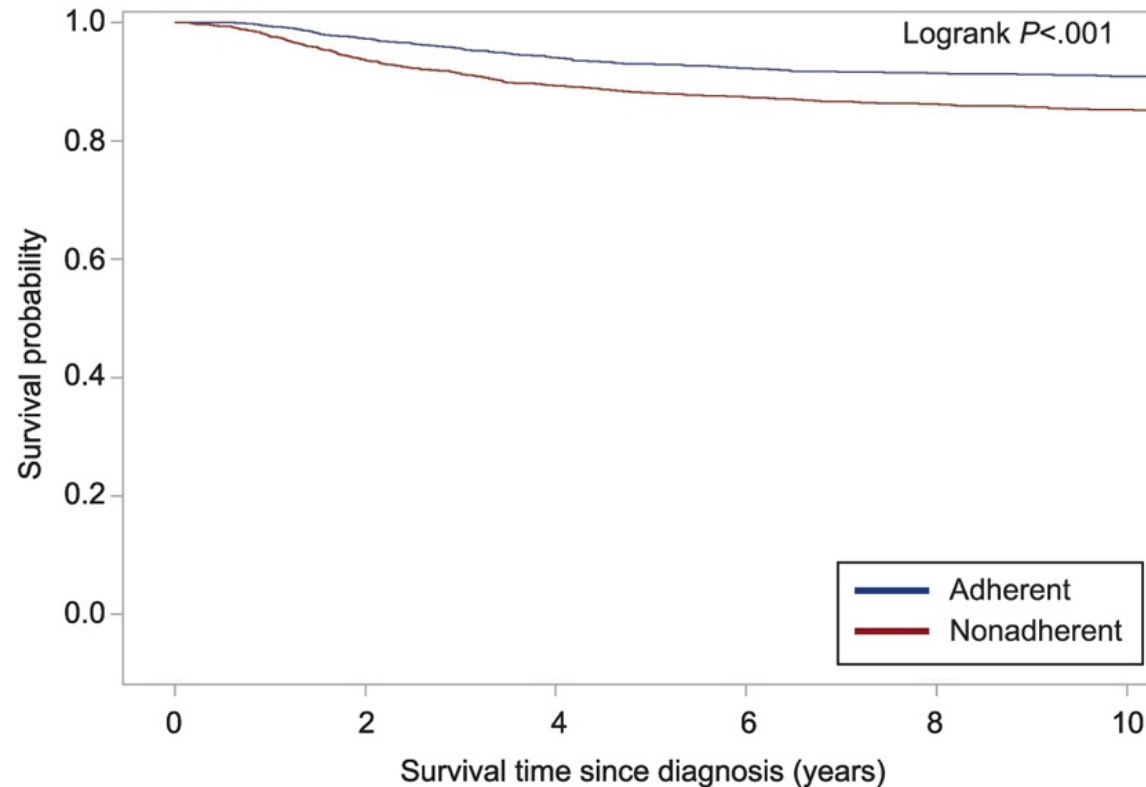


Most Cervical Cancer Patients Experience Delays To Treatment



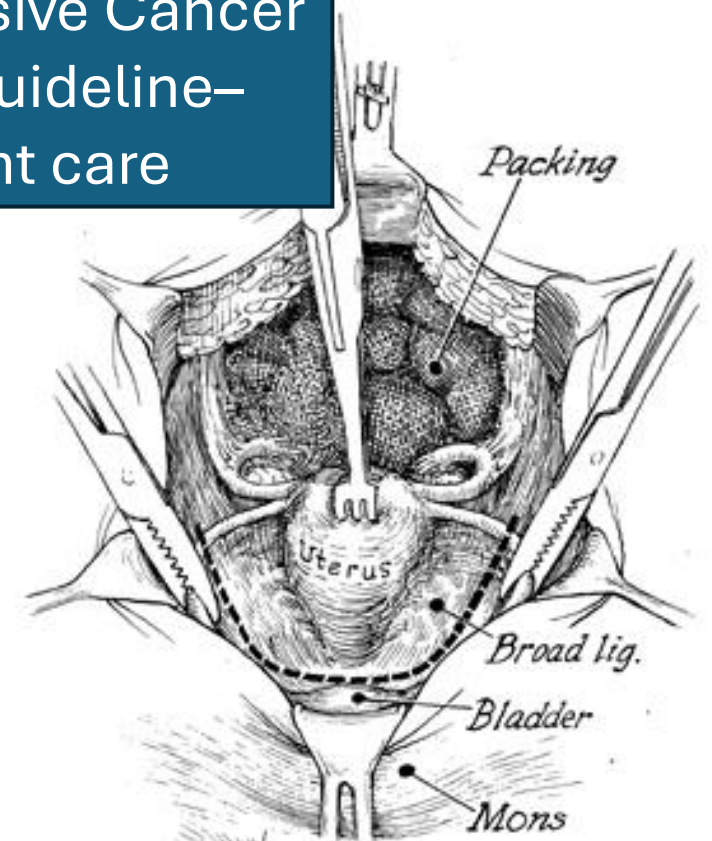
37% of patients received timely treatment initiation

Less Than Half Of Patients with Early Staged Disease Receive Guideline Concordant Care

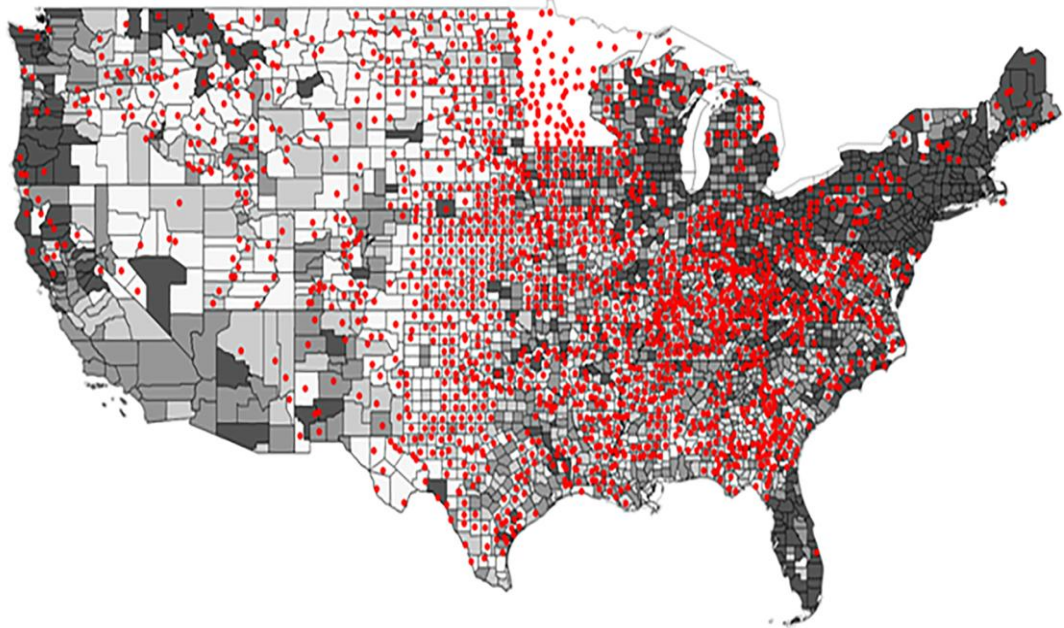
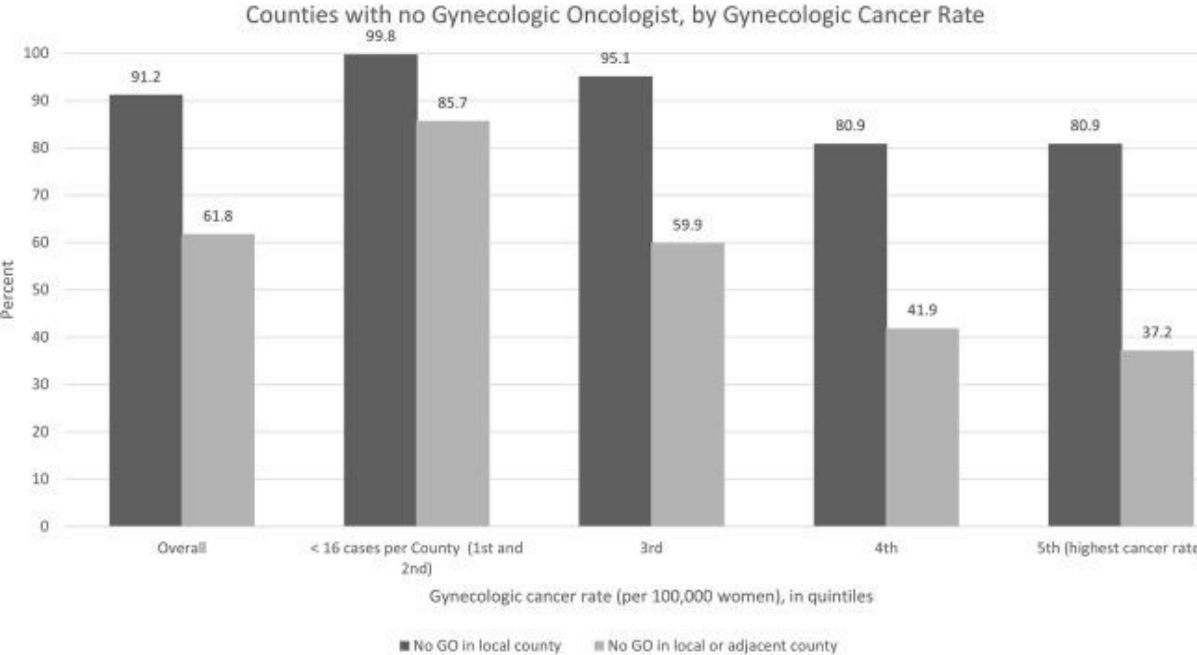


Adherent	2,818	2,610	2,390	2,051	1,683	1,348
Nonadherent	3,219	2,822	2,508	2,065	1,598	1,242

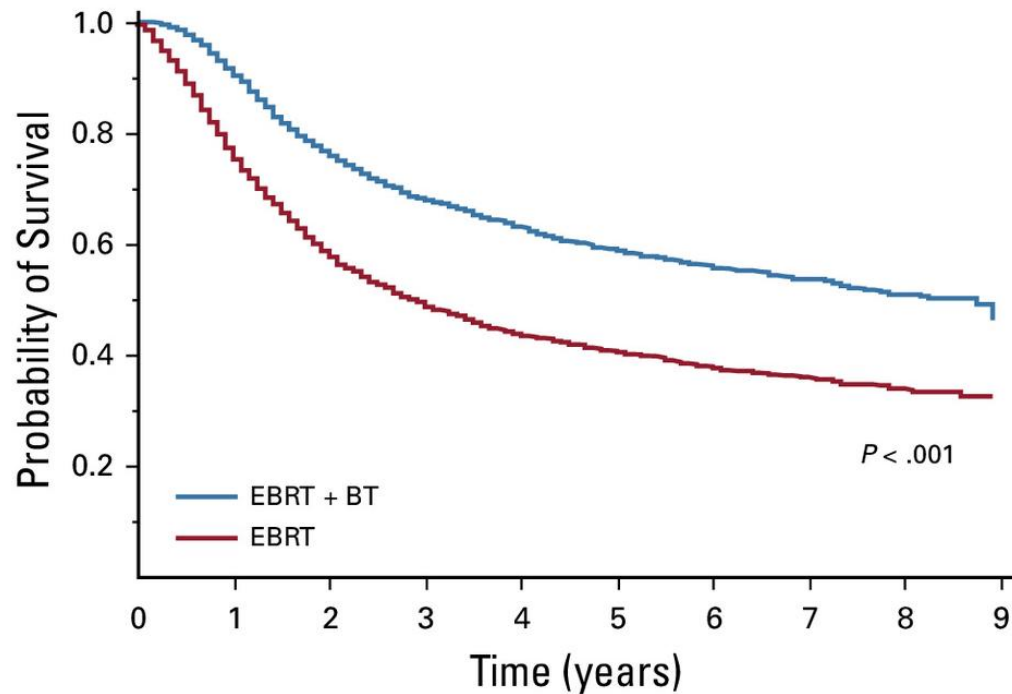
46.7% of patients received National Comprehensive Cancer Network guideline-adherent care



Most Counties Have No Gynecologic Oncologist



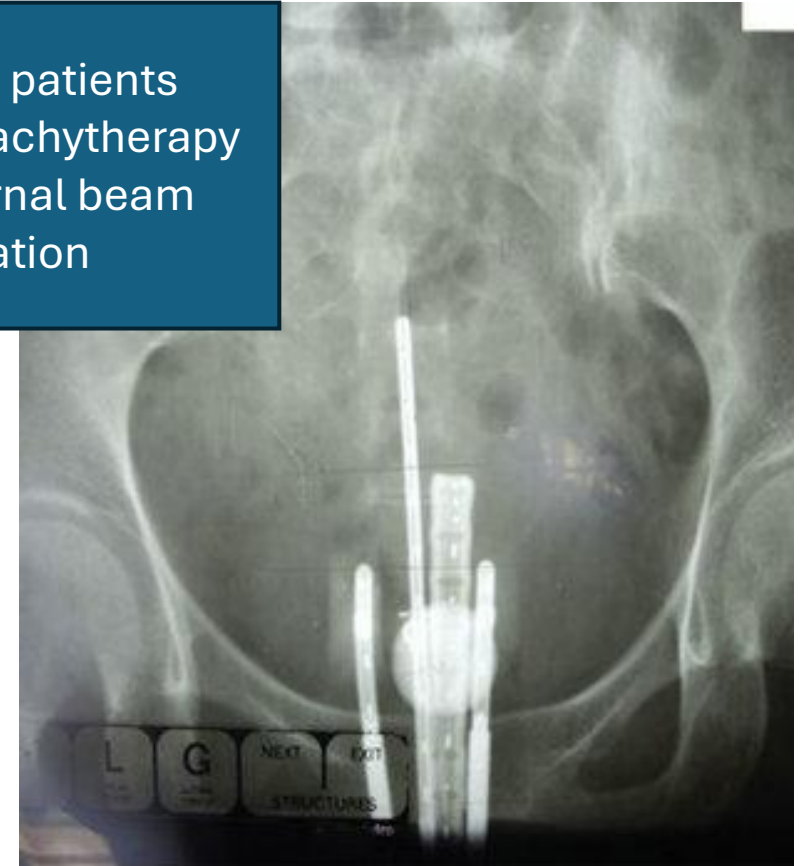
Less Than Half Of Patients with Locally Advanced Disease Receive Brachytherapy



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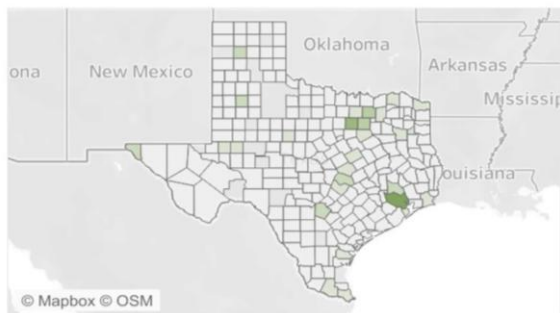
EBRT	3,434	1,452	732	383	114
BT + EBRT	3,432	2,171	1,269	658	185

47.3% of patients received brachytherapy with external beam radiation

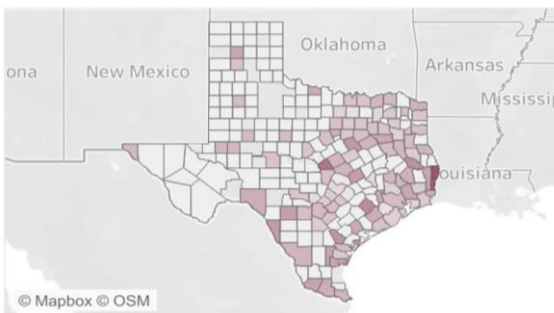


Availability of Radiation Does not Map to Areas of High Need

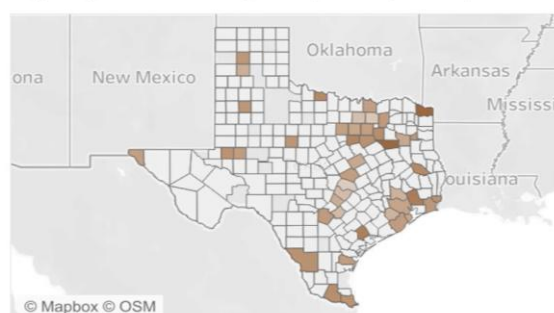
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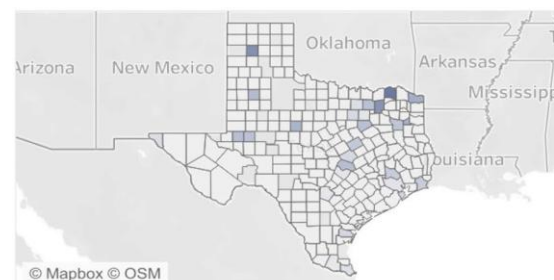
Age-Adjusted Incidence Rate per 100,000 Population



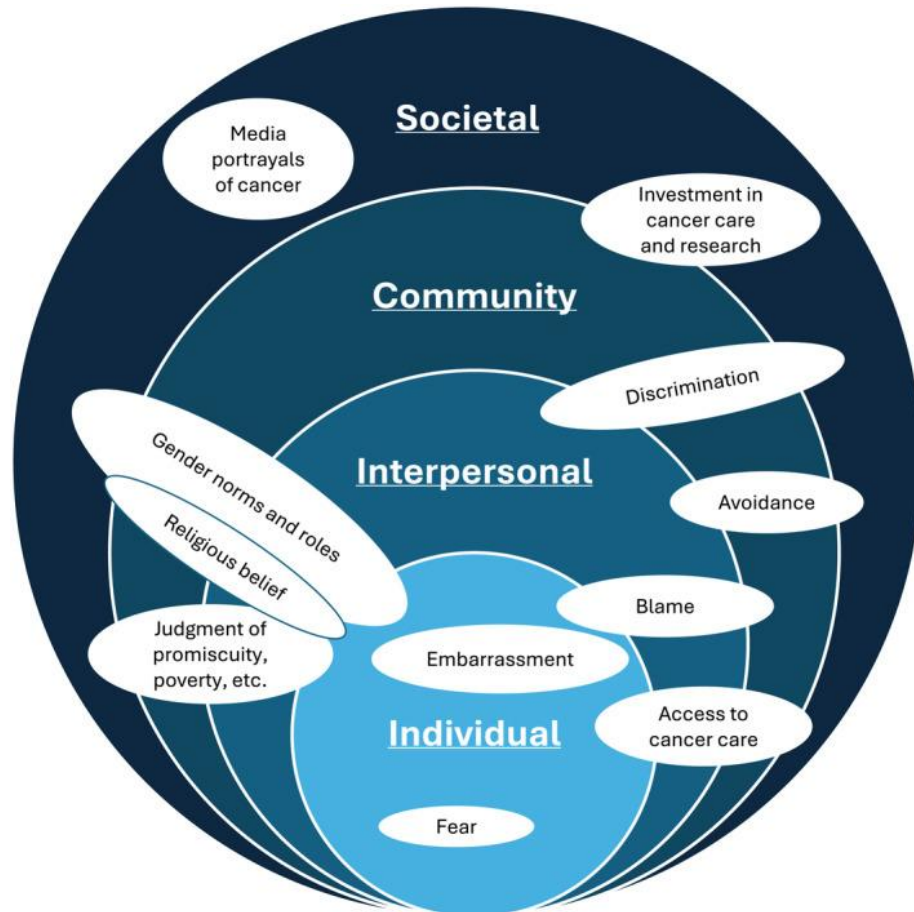
Age-Adjusted Mortality Rate per 100,000 Population



Availability of Brachytherapy Centers (per 1000 cases)

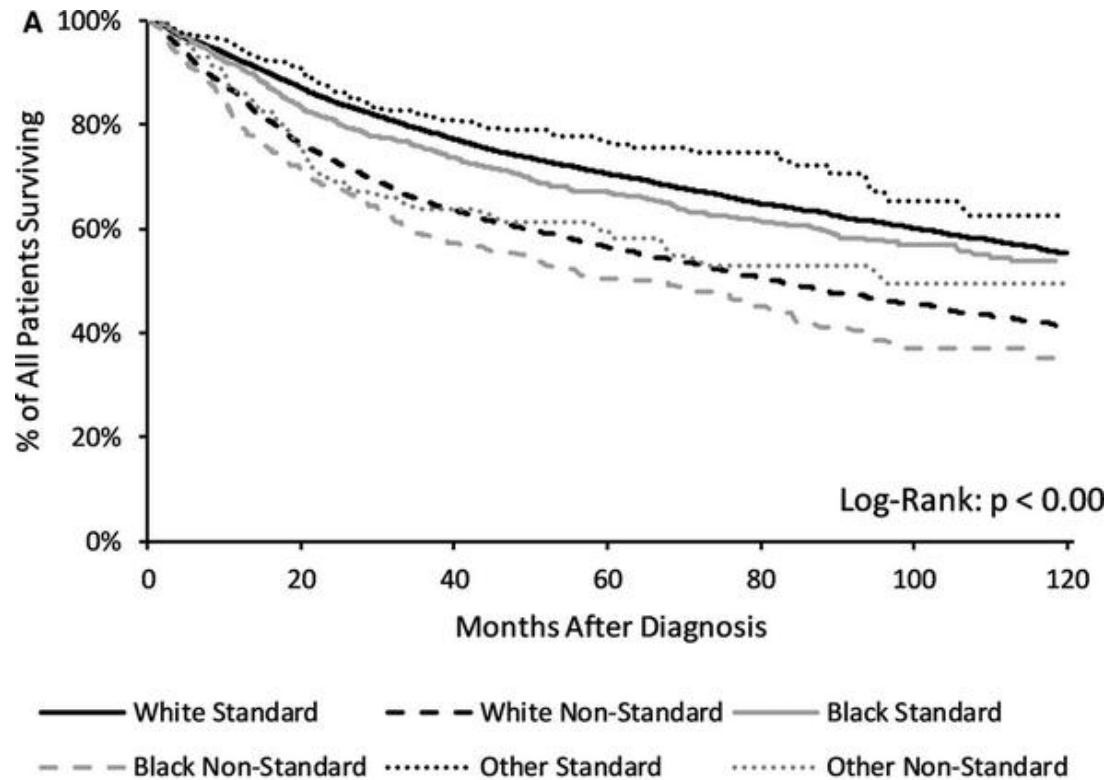


Stigma Influences the Cancer Journey



STIGMA: a powerful social process involving negative labeling and stereotyping of certain human characteristics as socially undesirable, remains a significant but often overlooked barrier to cervical cancer prevention efforts

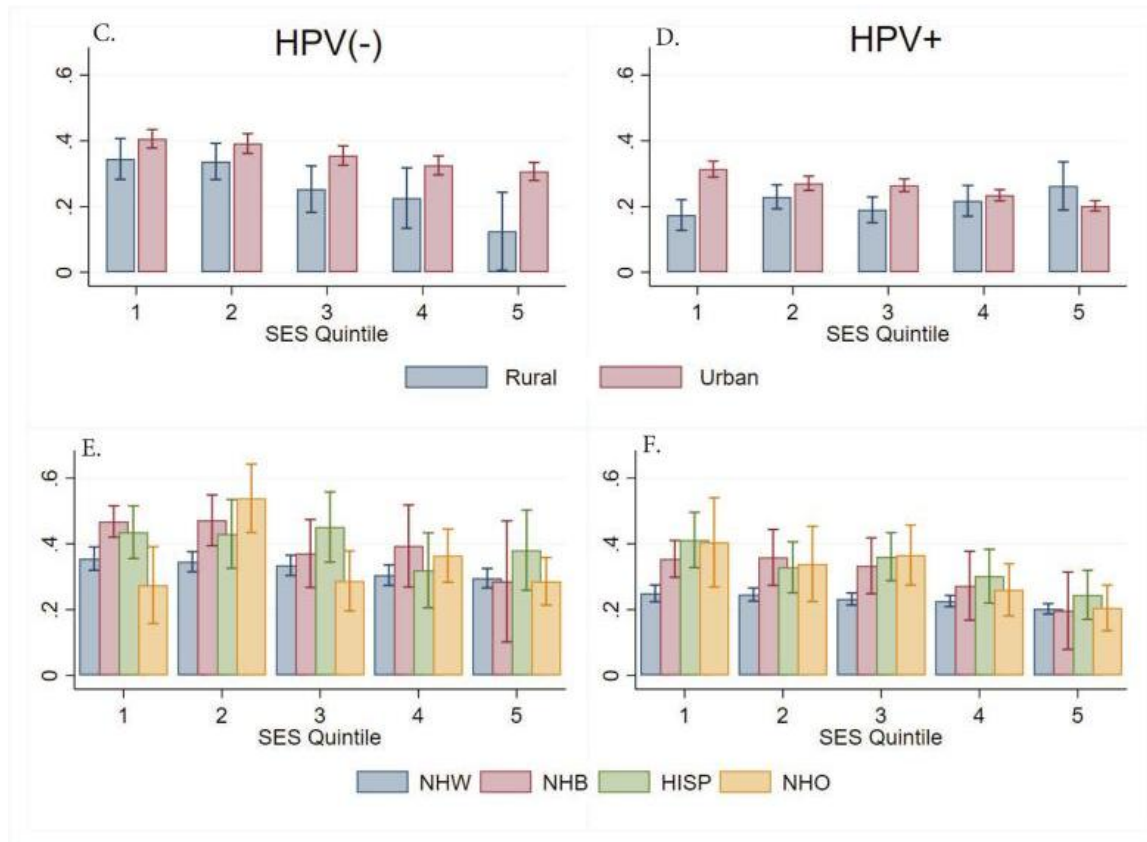
Disparities in Other HPV-Associated Cancers: Anal Cancer



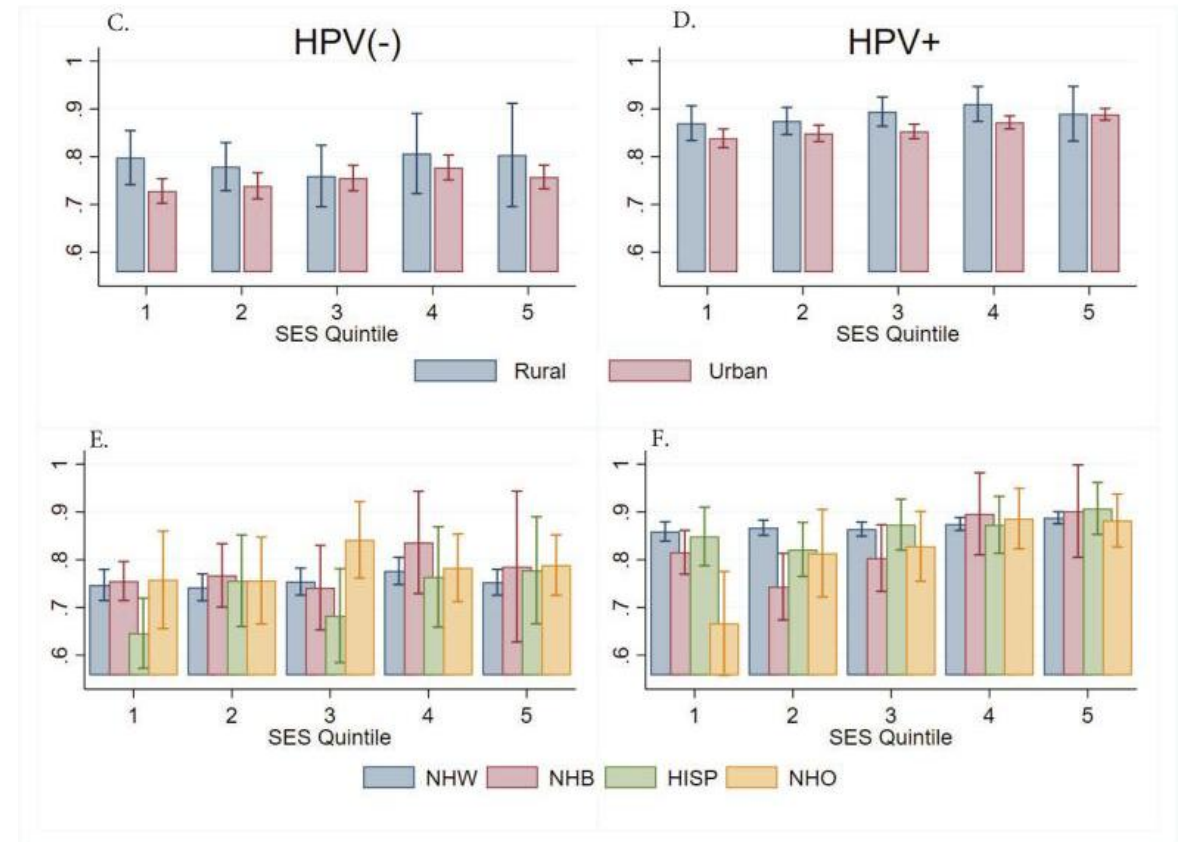
White and Privately Insured Patients are More Likely to Receive Standard of Care Treatment

Disparities in Oropharyngeal Cancer Care

Treatment delays of two or more months after diagnosis



Receipt of radiation



Strategies to eliminate cancer health disparities

- Emphasize studying the causes of disparities in the number of cancer cases and deaths.
- Tackle factors that prevent successful outcomes in underserved populations at each step of cancer care, from prevention through survivorship.
- Engage communities in cancer education and promote structural changes that increase prevention and early detection.
- Improve health literacy by developing culturally relevant education programs that encourage community wellness.
- Ensure that every person benefits from cancer research and clinical advancements.
- Support strategic efforts to increase representation of all populations in cancer research.



Thank You



Questions?