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Concerned About You: What do African American Men Want To Know About Prostate Cancer? (G1309RS)

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Abstract

Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer and the second leading cause of cancer death among African American men annually. Guidelines for prostate cancer screening have changed causing confusion in the general public. Current guidelines recommend that African American men 45 years and older discuss screening options and personal risk with their primary care physician.

This community-based participatory research project is a partnership between the Patient Voices Network, UBMD Family Medicine at Jefferson, and the Primary Care Research Institute. The goal of this project is to develop a conversation guide that will facilitate a dialogue between men and their primary care providers. To accomplish this goal, we will conduct four focus groups of African American men to identify their educational needs around prostate cancer and key informant interviews among providers to identify priorities for discussion or challenging concepts to their patients that need discussion. We will create a conversation guide, based on results from the focus groups and key informant interviews that will serve as a guide for a patient-provider conversation about prostate health and prostate cancer. This guide will have a special emphasis on decision making about screening for prostate cancer. We will then conduct a feasibility study in one inner-city, predominately African American family medicine practice.

This project will provide pilot data for an R01 submission to NIMHD and/or NCI to implement a practice based intervention. Results of this pilot will be presented at NAPCRG and submitted for publication to the Annals of Family Medicine.