September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Prostate cancer is a leading cause of cancer-related death in American men. It is rarely found in men under age 50. Most men with prostate cancer will survive it. However, in men under age 55, prostate cancer may be more aggressive with a worse prognosis than prostate cancer in older men.

Men over age 65, those with a family history of the disease, and African-American men are at higher risk for prostate cancer.

Early prostate cancer often causes no symptoms. If you have concerns about prostate cancer, ask your doctor about available diagnostic tests and whether they’re right for you.

Treatment depends on the stage of the cancer, your age, and general health, and may include active monitoring, surgery, radiation therapy, or other methods. Talk to your doctor about which treatment is best for you.

For more information about prostate cancer, visit RadiologyInfo.org.

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