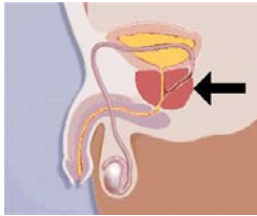


## Prostate Cancer



The prostate is the gland below a man's bladder that produces fluid for semen.

Prostate cancer is the third most common cause of death from cancer in men of all ages.

It is rare in men younger than 40.

Levels of a substance found in the blood called prostate specific antigen (PSA) is often high in men with prostate cancer. However, the PSA blood test can also be high with other prostate conditions, such as infection or enlarged prostate.

Scientists are learning more about prostate cancer screening all the time.

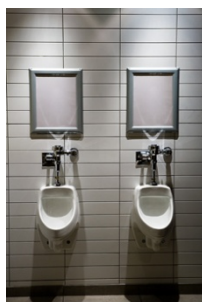
Talk with your doctor about when and what prostate cancer tests, including PSA testing, is best for you.



Since the PSA test became common, most prostate cancers are found before they cause symptoms.

There are a number of symptoms of prostate cancer. If you have the following symptoms, see your doctor.

- Problems passing urine, such as pain, difficulty starting or stopping the stream, or dribbling
- Low back pain
- Pain with ejaculation



Prostate cancer treatment often depends on the stage of the cancer. How fast the cancer grows and how different it is from surrounding tissue helps determine the stage.

- Treatment may include surgery, radiation therapy, chemotherapy or control of hormones that affect the cancer.



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