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Prevention Intervention Comprehension:
Understanding cancer preventative pharmacologic agents

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Off-Label Uses of Medications
Vitamin E, Beta carotene, N-acetylcysteine, Exemestane, Anastrozole, Letrozole, Aspirin, Vitamin D




“An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.”

-Benjamin Franklin


Pharmacist Objectives

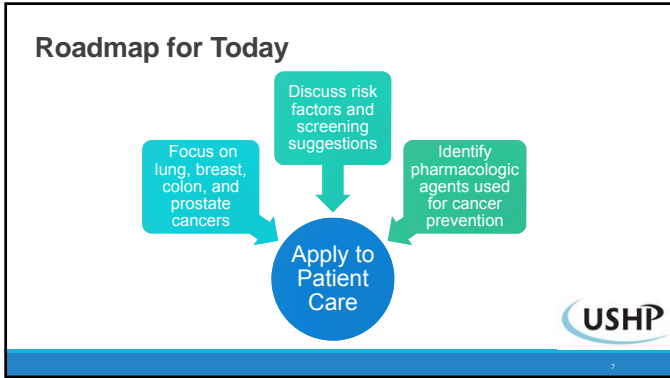
- Identify medications and supplements that may be utilized as cancer-preventative pharmacologic agents (CPPAs)
- Review lung, breast, colon, and prostate cancer risk factors and screening suggestions based on current guidelines
- Distinguish between evidence based and non-evidence based CPPAs
- Formulate a recommendation for CPPAs based on a patient's characteristics



Technician Objectives

- Recall medications that have evidence of cancer-preventative pharmacologic agents (CPPAs)
- Distinguish CPPAs that can be obtained over the counter versus through a prescription
- Identify patients that may be candidates for pharmacist counseling regarding the use of CPPAs
- Recognize resources used to determine risk factors and screening suggestions for lung, breast, colon, and prostate cancers





Lung Cancer

- ### Risk Factors
- Smoking history
 - Smoking exposure (second hand smoke)
 - Radon exposure
 - Occupational exposure (radioactive ores, inhaled chemicals, diesel exhaust)
 - Cancer history
 - Family history of lung cancer (1st degree relatives)
 - Disease history (COPD or pulmonary fibrosis)
 - Lung cancer survivors
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- Age ≥50 **AND** ≥20 pack-year history of smoking or second hand smoke exposure with no additional risk factors
- Low risk
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- NCCN Guidelines recommend screening for high risk Groups 1 & 2
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Risk Status

USPSTF Clinical Summary recommends screening for high risk Groups 1

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National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Lung Cancer Screening Version 2.2015, available from www.nccn.org. Final Update Summary Lung Cancer Screening, U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, July 2015. <https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/Document/UpdateSummaryFinalLungCancerScreening>

Lung Cancer Screening

Benefits	Risks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decreased lung cancer mortality Quality of life Reduction on disease-related mortality Reduction in treatment-related morbidity Improvement in healthy lifestyles Reduction in anxiety/psychosocial burden Discovery of other significant occult health risks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Futile detection of small aggressive tumors or indolent disease Quality of life Physical complications from workup False-positive/negative results Unnecessary testing and procedures Radiation exposure Cost Incidental lesions

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National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Lung Cancer Screening Version 2.2015, available from www.nccn.org.

Lung Cancer Screening Suggestions

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      A[High Risk Status Patients] --> B[Shared patient/physician decision-making]
      B --> C[Low-dose CT annually]
  
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Lung Cancer Chemopreventive Studies

Vit E and beta carotene on incidence of lung cancer, 1994	Vit E and antioxidants lung cancer progression in mice, 2014
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The Effect of Vitamin E and Beta Carotene on the Incidence of Lung Cancer and Other Cancers in Male Smokers

Heinonen et al	Alpha-Tocopherol, Beta Carotene Cancer Prevention Study Group
Design	Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled primary-prevention trial in 29133 male smokers age 50 to 69 years old from southwest Finland over 5-8 years
Outcomes	Incidence of lung cancer development in male smokers given vitamin E, beta carotene, or placebo
Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reduction in incidence of lung cancer among men who received Vit E (-2% change; 95% CI, -14 to 12%, P = 0.8) Observed a higher incidence of lung cancer among the men who received beta carotene than among those who did not (18% change in incidence; 95% CI, 3-36%, P = 0.01) starting at 18 months and increasing progressively after; Mortality was also increased in this group (P = 0.08) Incidence of other cancers: Fewer cases of prostate cancer diagnosed in vitamin E group than those who did not receive vitamin E
Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was no reduction in lung cancer incidence with vitamin E or beta carotene These supplements may actually have harmful as well as beneficial effects, determined by chance

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N Engl J Med. 1994; 330(15): 1029-1035.



Antioxidants Accelerate Lung Cancer Progression in Mice

Sayin et al	
Design Summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Induced multifocal tumors via inhalation of Cre adenovirus to activate K-RAS^{G12D} or B-RAF^{V600E} expression in lung epithelial cells Administered N-acetylcysteine in the drinking water or vitamin E in the diet of mice Outcome: antioxidant effects on lung epithelial tumors
Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Histological examination revealed more advanced tumors in mice treated with NAC or vitamin E than control mice N-acetyl cysteine and vitamin E increase tumor cell proliferation by reducing ROS, DNA damage, and p53 expression in mouse and human lung tumor cells

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Sci Transl Med. 2014; 6(221): 221ra15.

Evidence Based Preventative Medications Recommendations

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Other Evidence Based Preventative Recommendations


Smoking Cessation

- Medications
 - Varenicline (Rx), bupropion (Rx), nicotine replacement therapy (OTC)*
- Support groups
- Behavior therapy

Radon mitigation


- Home testing
- Radon reduction for high levels ≥ 4 pCi/L

*all FDA approved for smoking cessation



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Breast Cancer



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Risk Factors


- Female gender
- Increasing patient age
- Family history of breast cancer at a young age
- Early menarche
- Late menopause
- Older age at first live childbirth (breast cancer type specific)
- Prolonged hormone replacement therapy
- Previous exposure to therapeutic chest wall irradiation
- Benign proliferative breast density
- Increased mammographic breast density
- Genetic mutations such as *BRCA 1/2* genes
- Drinking alcohol
- Obesity or overweight
- Sedentary lifestyle
- Birth Control (?)
- Certain types of breast implants



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Breast Cancer Screening Considerations

Lifetime risk $\geq 20\%$ <small>NCCN Guidelines for Breast Cancer Risk Reduction which is based on family history</small>	NCCN Guidelines for Breast Cancer Screening and Diagnosis
Patient <i>desires</i> risk-reducing therapy	Life expectancy ≥ 10 y
Premenopausal or Postmenopausal	




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Screening and Diagnosis- Risk Assessment

Familial/genetic factors

- Known genetic predisposition (BRCA 1/2, p53, PTEN, other gene mutation)



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Screening and Diagnosis - Risk Assessment

Other factors
(one or more)

- A known mutation in a cancer susceptibility within the family
- ≥2 breast cancer primaries in a single family
- ≥2 individuals with breast cancer primaries on the same side of the family with at least one diagnosed ≤50y
- Ovarian/fallopian tube or primary peritoneal cancer
- Male breast cancer
- First or second degree relative with breast cancer ≤45 years
- Family history of three or more: breast, pancreatic, prostate cancer ≥7), melanoma, sarcoma, adrenocortical carcinoma, brain tumors, leukemia, diffuse gastric cancer, colon cancer, endometrial cancer, thyroid cancer, kidney cancer, dermatologic manifestations, and/or macrocephaly, hamartomatous polyps of GI tract, or can include multiple primary cancers in same individual

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National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Breast Cancer Risk Reduction Guidelines Version 2.2018, available from www.nccn.org

Breast Cancer Screening Considerations

Lifetime risk ≥20%

NCCN Guidelines for Breast Cancer Risk Reduction
Risk model dependent on family history

NCCN Guidelines for Breast Cancer Screening and Diagnosis

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Breast Cancer Preventative Pharmacologic Therapies

Selective Estrogen Receptor Modulators

Aromatase Inhibitors

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Breast Cancer Preventative Pharmacologic Therapies

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Study of Tamoxifen and Raloxifene

MORE

Multiple Outcomes of Raloxifene Evaluation

BCPT

NSABP Breast Cancer Prevention Trial

CORE

Continuing Outcomes Relevant to Evista

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Breast Cancer SERM Study Conclusions

STAR

Tamoxifen and raloxifene effective at reducing risk of invasive BC in postmenopausal women

MORE

Raloxifene shown to reduce risk of both *in situ* and invasive BC by 65%

BCPT

Tamoxifen reduced BC incidence in healthy *BRCA2* carriers, but not *BRCA1* carriers (at 35y +)

CORE

Raloxifene effective at reducing invasive BC in postmenopausal women with osteoporosis

Expert Rev Anticancer Ther. 2009;9(1):53-60. Ann N Y Acad Sci 2001; 949: 134-42. Ann N Y Acad Sci. 2001. Dec; 949:99-108. J Natl Cancer Inst 2004; 96(7): 1751- 1761.

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The Role of Tamoxifen in Breast Cancer Prevention (BCPT)

Wolmark et al	
Design	Randomized, double-blind, prospective trial; 13,388 women aged 35 years and older at increased risk of development of breast cancer (BC) (5-year predicted incidence ≥1.66% (Gail model)) received 5 years tamoxifen or placebo
Outcomes	Invasive breast cancer incidence
Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 69 months: 175 events of invasive breast cancer in the placebo group and 89 in the tamoxifen-treated group (49% reduction, P<0.00001) • Adverse events included increased risk of endometrial cancer and vascular events in the tamoxifen group

Ann N Y Acad Sci. 2001. Dec; 949:99-108.

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Conclusions

- Tamoxifen does reduce BC development in healthy BRCA1-carriers but not in BCRA2-carriers
- Tamoxifen was most effective at reducing estrogen receptor (ER)-positive breast cancers
- Tamoxifen may induce more virulent breast cancers (ER negative) and more virulent endometrial cancers

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Ann N Y Acad Sci. 2001 Dec; 949:99-108.

Breast Cancer AI* Study Conclusions

<p>ATAC</p> <p>Anastrozole in postmenopausal women w/ invasive BC non-significantly reduced risk of contralateral BCs vs tamoxifen</p> <p>Also produced significant reduction in contralateral BCs in women w/ HR+ first cancers</p>	<p>BIG 1-98</p> <p>BC recurrence lower in postmenopausal women on letrozole (L) for 5 years over women randomized to take tamoxifen (T), sequential T followed by L, and sequential L followed by T</p>	<p>MAP .3</p> <p>Exemestane reduced relative incidence of invasive BC by 65% vs placebo</p>	<p>IBIS-II</p> <p>Anastrozole more effective at preventing high-grade tumors vs intermediate or low grade tumors</p>
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*Aromatase Inhibitors listed are used off-label for breast cancer risk-reduction; Letrozole is not labeled or off-label for this indication

Lancet 2002; 359:2131-39. N Engl J Med 2005; 353(26): 2747-57. N Engl J Med 2011; 365(25): 2381-2319. Lancet 2014; 383: 1741-48.

Breast Cancer Risk-Reducing Summary

Premenopausal	Postmenopausal	Everyone
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Trial • Tamoxifen for 5 years (Rx, category 1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Trial • Tamoxifen for 5 years (Rx, category 1) • Raloxifene (Rx, category 1) • Aromatase inhibitors (Rx, category 1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-pharmacologic strategies

*All medications are FDA approved for breast cancer reduction in the specific populations listed

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National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Breast Cancer Risk Reduction Guidelines Version 2.2018, available from www.nccn.org.
National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Breast Cancer Guidelines Version 2.2015, available from www.nccn.org.

Breast Cancer Risk-Reducing Non-pharmacologic Therapy

National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Breast Cancer Risk Reduction Guidelines Version 2.2018, available from www.nccn.org.

Colon Cancer

National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Colon Cancer Guidelines Version 3.2016, available from www.nccn.org.
Wolf AM et al. Colorectal cancer screening for average-risk adults: 2018 guideline update from the American Cancer Society. CA Cancer J Clin 2018; 68: 350-261.

Risk Factors

- Lynch Syndrome
- Inflammatory bowel disease (ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease)
- Smoking
- Consumption of red and processed meats
- Dietary habits
- Alcohol consumption
- Diabetes mellitus
- Low levels of physical activity
- Metabolic syndrome
- Obesity/high body mass index (BMI)

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Risk Screening

Average Risk

- Age ≥ 45 years old (American Cancer Society) or ≥ 50 y (NCCN)
- No history of adenoma or sessile serrated polyp or colorectal cancer (CRC)
- No history of inflammatory bowel disease
- Negative family history for CRC or confirmed advanced adenoma



Risk Screening

Increased Risk

- Personal history of adenoma or sessile serrated polyp or CRC
- Inflammatory bowel disease or positive family history

High-risk Syndromes

- Lynch syndrome
- Polyposis syndromes
- Cowden syndrome/PTEN hamartoma tumor syndrome
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Colonoscopy every 3-10 years, depending on risk factor

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Increased Risk Screening

Increased Risk

- Repeat colonoscopy every 3-10 years, depending on clinical findings
- IBD: begin surveillance via colonoscopy 8 years after onset
- Family history
 - At least one first-degree relative with colorectal adenocarcinoma at any age: Colonoscopy at 40 years or 10 years before earliest diagnosis of CRC
 - At least one second degree relative with colorectal adenocarcinoma aged < 50 y: Colonoscopy at age 50 years
 - First degree relative with confirmed advanced adenoma: Colonoscopy beginning at age 40 years or at age of onset of adenoma in relative, whichever is first



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Colonoscopy OR stool based testing OR flexible sigmoidoscopy OR CT colonography (every 1-10 years)

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Colon Cancer Preventative Pharmacologic Therapies*

Aspirin

Vitamin D (?)

*Aspirin and vitamin D are not labeled for colon cancer risk-reduction and are not suggested for all patients for risk reduction in colon cancer

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Colon Cancer Preventative Pharmacologic Therapies

Aspirin

CAPP2 Trial: HD ASA use in patients with Lynch syndrome decreased relative risk of developing CRC compared to placebo

Cao et al (2016): Regular ASA use was associated with lower risk of overall cancer

Rothwell et al (2010): ASA reduced the 20-year risk of colon cancer (benefit increased with duration of treatment; no increased benefit seen in doses >75 mg/day)

*Aspirin is not labeled for colon cancer risk-reduction and is not suggested for all patients for risk reduction in colon cancer

Lancet 2011; 378: 2081-87. JAMA Oncol 2016; 2(6):762-769. Lancet 2010; 376:1741-50. 44

Colon Cancer Preventative Pharmacologic Therapies

Vitamin D

Autier et al, 2014

Chung et al, 2011

Gorham et al, 2007

Lappe et al, 2007

Ma et al, 2011

Others

Ou et al, 2015: Vitamin D supplementation had no effect on recurrence of CRC (within 3-5 years of primary CRC)

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Colon Cancer Preventative Pharmacologic Therapies

Vitamin D*

Vitamin D is NOT recommended by NCCN guidelines, US Preventive Services Task Force, or the American Cancer Society at this time

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Circulating Vitamin D and Colorectal Cancer Risk: An International Pooling Project of 17 Cohorts

McCullough et al Hot off the press	
Design	Analysis of colorectal cancer cases and controls from prospective studies participating in the international Circulating Biomarkers and Breast and Colorectal Cancer Consortium
Outcomes	First primary colorectal cancers
Results	Deficient vitamin D levels (<30 nmol/L) associated with a 31% higher colorectal cancer risk (RR+1.31, 95% CI= 1.05-1.62)

J Natl Cancer Inst. 2019. Vol 111(2): dly087. USHP

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Circulating Vitamin D and Colorectal Cancer Risk: An International Pooling Project of 17 Cohorts

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Conclusions	Higher circulating vitamin D related to statistically significant, substantially lower colorectal cancer risk in women and non-statistically significant lower risk in men

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Colon Cancer Risk-Reducing Summary*

Secondary prevention of colorectal cancer


- Consider low dose aspirin (OTC, balance risk vs benefits)

*Aspirin is used off-label for colon cancer reduction in the specific population listed



National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Colon Cancer Guidelines Version 3.2018, available from www.nccn.org

Prostate Cancer




National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Prostate Cancer Early Detection Guidelines Version 2.2018, available from www.nccn.org

Risk Factors

- Family History
- History of prostate disease
- Inherited mutations
- Race (AA men more at risk)
- Family or personal history of high-risk germline mutations

Keep in mind...

Medications may affect PSA levels (finasteride, dutasteride, ketoconazole, saw palmetto)



National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Prostate Cancer Early Detection Guidelines Version 2.2018, available from www.nccn.org


Prostate Cancer Screening

Age 45-75 years

- Prostate-specific antigen (PSA) and consider digital rectal examination (DRE)

Age >75 years in select patients

- PSA and consider DRE, for select patients



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Testing after 75 years old should only be done in healthy men to detect aggressive cancers; over screening this population can lead to over diagnosis and is not recommended



National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Prostate Cancer Early Detection Guidelines Version 2.2018, available from www.nccn.org

Prostate Cancer Screening

US Preventive Services Task Force

- Men age 55-69 discuss benefits and risks with their doctor before deciding on screening
- Men 70 years and older should not receive PSA screening

American Cancer Society

- Age 50 with average risk
- Age 45 with high risk
- AA men, men with 1st degree relative diagnosed with prostate cancer <65 years old
- Age 40 with even higher risk
- >1 first degree relative with prostate cancer at an early age

US Preventive Services Task Force. Screening for Prostate Cancer. JAMA 2008; 299(12):1392-1393.
 American Cancer Society. American Cancer Society Recommendations for Prostate Cancer Early Detection. Revised April 14, 2018. Available at: <https://www.cancer.org/cancer/prostate-cancer/early-detection/early-detection.aspx>

Prostate Cancer Chemopreventive Studies

5-Alpha Reductase Inhibitors

Vitamins/Supplements

*These medications are not labeled for prostate cancer risk-reduction and are not suggested for patients for risk reduction in prostate cancer

Long-Term Survival of Participants in the Prostate Cancer Prevention Trial

Thompson et al	
Design	Follow-up on Prostate Cancer Prevention Trial participants (18880 men)
Outcomes	Incidence of prostate cancer for an additional year after study published Assess survival status through October 21, 2011
Results	The finasteride group has prostate cancer diagnosed in 989 of 9423 men versus 1412 of 9457 in the placebo group (RR0.70; 95% CI, 0.65 to 0.76; P<0.001)

N Engl J Med 2013; 369(7): 603-10.

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Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finasteride reduced risk of prostate cancer by ~one third but high-grade prostate cancer more common in finasteride group than in placebo group After 18 years of follow up, no significant between-group differences in overall survival or survival found between groups

N Engl J Med 2013; 369(7): 603-10.

Vitamins E and C in the Prevention of Prostate and Total Cancer In Men

Gaziano et al	
Design	Randomized, double-blind, placebo controlled factorial trial with 14641 male physicians aged 50 and older were assigned vitamin E or placebo, vitamin C or placebo, and a multivitamin or placebo over 8 years
Outcomes	Occurrence of prostate and total cancer
Results	1008 incident cases of prostate cancer and 1943 total cancers Vitamin E had no significant effect versus placebo (HR 0.97, 95% CI, 0.85-1.09; P=0.58) or total cancer (HR 1.04; 95% CI, 0.95-1.13, P= .41) Vitamin C had no significant effect versus placebo

JAMA 2009; 301(1): 52-62.

Vitamins E and C in the Prevention of Prostate and Total Cancer In Men

Gaziano et al	
Conclusions	This study did not support the use of Vitamin E nor C supplementation in the reducing the risk of prostate or total cancer in men over 50 years old

JAMA 2009; 301(1): 52-62.

Prostate Cancer CPPA Recommendation Summary

No current recommendations from NCCN, USPSTF, or ACS

More studies are needed to determine if 5-alpha reductase inhibitors are effective and safe for chemoprevention in prostate cancer



National Comprehensive Cancer Network, Prostate Cancer Guidelines Version 4.2018, available from www.nccn.org.

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Let's review which CPPAs have evidence and are recommended for each disease state...



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Lung Cancer

- Smoking cessation aids

Breast Cancer

- Tamoxifen, raloxifene, aromatase inhibitors (patient specific)

Colon Cancer

- Aspirin for secondary prevention

Prostate Cancer

- No current recommendations

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Question 1

Mr. Hacker is a 60 yo male who is a frequent patient to your pharmacy. He tells you that he stopped smoking last week because he figured it was time since he has a 32 pack-year history. He is ready to take control of his health and is wondering if maybe he should go see his doctor for a check up. What should you suggest to him based on his smoking history?

- A visit to the doctor is a good idea for general health but not for lung cancer screening. Mr. Hacker is in the moderate risk category for lung cancer.
- A visit to the doctor is a good idea for lung cancer screening. Mr. Hacker is in the high risk category.
- A visit to the doctor is not necessary right now. Mr. Hacker is in the high risk category for lung cancer but it is probably really hard for him to drive to the doctor's office so he should stay home.
- A visit to the doctor is a waste of time. Mr. Hacker is probably fine.
- None of the above



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- A visit to the doctor is a waste of time. Mr. Hacker is probably fine.
- None of the above



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Question 2

Mrs. Chatte is a 43 yo F patient at your pharmacy that likes to stay up to date on the current "trends" in cancer-preventing vitamins and supplements she hears about on TV. She comes into the pharmacy and tells you about how everyone is taking vitamin D to prevent colon cancer after a recent ground breaking study and support from Dr. PrimeTime, Mrs. Chatte's favorite physician/talk-show host. She wants to know what you think. You tell her:

- Vitamin D is recommended by some, but not all organizations, but as long as you're healthy it won't hurt you.
- Our pharmacy has the best priced vitamin D, you should buy it here.
- The suggestions may or may not change in the future due to this new study, but vitamin D is not currently recommended for colon cancer prevention.
- You will need a prescription since the recommended dose is not available over the counter.
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- D. You will need a prescription since the recommended dose is not available over the counter.
- E. None of the above



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Question 3

Which resources can you use for trustworthy cancer chemoprevention information?

- A. National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN)
- B. American Chemopreventive Society (ACS)
- C. U.S. Preventative Services Task Force (USPSTF)
- D. American Cancer Society (ACS)
- E. National Cancer Institute (NCI)
- F. All of the above except B



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Question 3

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- A. National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN)
- B. American Chemopreventive Society (ACS)
- C. U.S. Preventative Services Task Force (USPSTF)
- D. American Cancer Society (ACS)
- E. National Cancer Institute (NCI)
- F. All of the above except B



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Question 4

Which medications have evidence and a recommendation to be utilized as CPPAs?

- A. Vitamin D
- B. Vitamin E
- C. Beta carotene
- D. Vitamin C
- E. None of the above



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Question 4

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