



Exciting Opportunities with ACS NNRT

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"Enhancing Colorectal Cancer Screening Through Effective Patient Navigation: Integrating CPSTF Recommendations for Economic Impact"

September 11, 2024 from 1:00 pm – 2:30pm ET

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ACS NNRT is pleased to facilitate a webinar with national thought leaders from the Professional Oncology Navigation Task Force and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Community Guide Program and Division of Cancer Prevention and Control.

Speakers will discuss [The Community Guide](#) –

- How to explore CPSTF findings
- Effectiveness in Increasing Screening Rates
- Cost-Effectiveness and Return on Investment
- Comprehensive Support and Culturally Appropriate Services
- Learning from others to apply in improve your program

We will also address ACS NNRT Sustainability for Patient Navigation as well as ways that [Comprehensive Cancer Control](#) coalitions might promote patient navigation centered screening strategies through their collaborative efforts across the country.

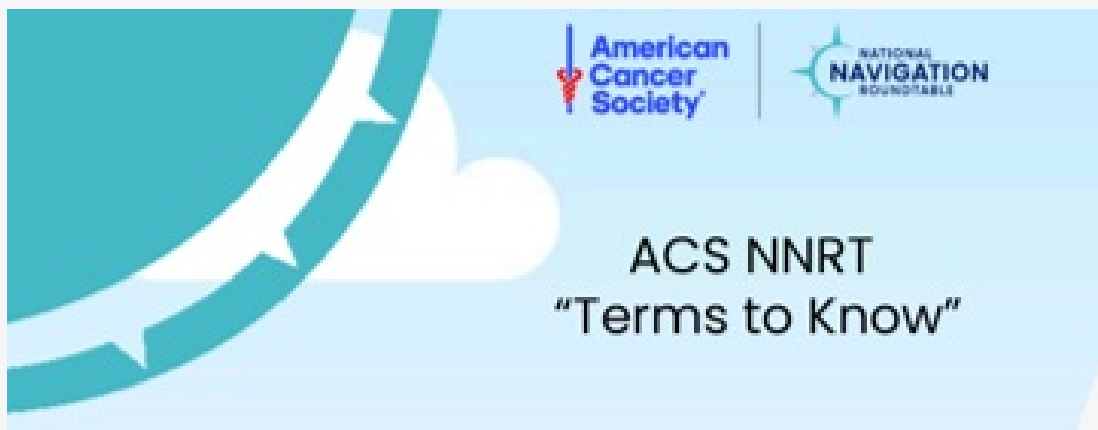
The American Cancer Society National Navigation Roundtable (ACS NNRT) was established in 2017. The ACS NNRT is a national coalition of 80 member organizations to advance navigation efforts that eliminate barriers to quality care, reduce disparities, and foster ongoing health equity across the cancer continuum. The American Cancer Society provides organizational leadership and expert staff support to the ACS NNRT.

Join us for an insightful webinar on ***"Enhancing Colorectal Cancer Screening Through***

Effective Patient Navigation: Integrating CPSTF Recommendations for Economic Impact. Learn how The Community Guide's evidence-based strategies can help improve cancer screening rates and reduce health disparities. Don't miss this opportunity to explore how patient navigation services can be a game-changer in public health.

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The ACS NNRT Public Awareness and Communications Task Group has introduced this section in the newsletter to clarify essential patient navigation terminology for professional use. Please review this section in each issue and start incorporating these terms into your patient navigation program.



Spotlight on The Community Guide: A Vital Resource for Public Health

The Community Preventive Services Task Force (CPSTF), established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in 1996, plays a crucial role in identifying effective community-based health interventions. The CPSTF's recommendations, compiled in The Community Guide, serve as the **"Gold Standard"** for promoting and improving public health. Updated every five years, these guidelines focus on key priority areas using rigorous, data-driven processes.

Why is this guidance so important? In 2023, the CPSTF highlighted patient navigation as an effective intervention to increase cancer screenings—specifically for breast, cervical, and colorectal cancers—among historically underserved racial and ethnic groups and individuals with lower incomes. This recommendation was supported by a systematic review of 34 studies, underscoring the critical impact of patient navigation services on reducing health disparities. The guide states that patient navigation services increase **breast**, **cervical**, and **colorectal** cancer screenings among historically disadvantaged racial and ethnic populations and people with lower incomes.

For more information on the recommendation: [The Community Guide](#)

ACS NNRT Annual Meeting - Register and Join US!



ACS NNRT Annual Meeting

September 18-20, 2024
Omni Hotel & Resort
Washington, DC

The American Cancer Society National Navigation Roundtable is honored to welcome **Ms. Anabella Aspiras, RN, MPA**, Assistant Director of Cancer Moonshot Engagement at the White House, as a keynote speaker at our Annual Meeting on September 19, 2024.

In this keynote presentation, Ms. Aspiras will discuss the current state of patient navigation in cancer care, providing insights into the Biden Cancer Moonshot's efforts to expand adoption and payment for navigation services. She will also cover:

- The importance of high-quality navigation, including screening support, preventive care, and pre-diagnosis care
- Patient navigation programs and policies, such as the 2024 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule codes
- The impact of these initiatives on reducing cancer disparities

Don't miss the opportunity to attend the in-person American Cancer Society National Navigation Roundtable's 2024 Annual Meeting. This two-and-a-half-day event will feature leading experts in patient navigation, offering valuable knowledge and strategies to enhance your programs.

See [Agenda and additional Annual Meeting Announcements](#)

2024 ACS NNRT Annual Meeting
*"Building on Momentum, Propelling Patient Navigation Forward
Through Innovative Persistence"*

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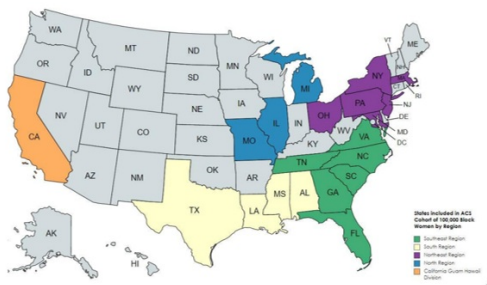
2025 CMS Consensus Letter- COMING SOON!

Keep an eye out for your opportunity to join the CMS Sign-On Letter with the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network and ACS NNRT in the next edition! You can review the 2023 consensus letter and find more details [HERE](#)

VOICES of Black Women

Addressing health equity for generations to come

VOICES of Black Women is a new population cohort study led by the American Cancer Society launching in May 2024. The study is designed to help better understand the multi-level drivers of incidence, mortality, and resilience of cancer and other health conditions among Black women in the United States, so we can better understand how to collectively address them. This study will be the largest cohort study of cancer risk and outcomes among Black women in the United States.



What is VOICES of Black Women?

VOICES of Black Women is a long-term study run by the American Cancer Society that aims to enroll at least 100,000 Black women in the US during the next few years. The goal of this study is to better understand health conditions like cancer and how to improve overall health among Black women.

At the American Cancer Society, equity in cancer care for all is at the heart of our mission. We prioritize work that helps ensure everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer. It's with this vision in mind we're excited to launch a new groundbreaking population cohort study – VOICES of Black Women – underscoring our commitment to better understand how this demographic is impacted by cancer disparities.

VOICES of Black Women

See archived ACS NNRT newsletters [HERE](#)

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The ACS NNRT is one of the American Cancer Society's six mission-critical national roundtables. Learn about the national roundtable model and how these six organizations are uniting organizations in collaborative partnerships to advance their shared visions to give all people a fair and just opportunity to prevent and survive cancer.

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