11/19/2025

PCC Men's Health Work Group meeting, called by Patrick Loftus
10:00 am – 10:30 am

Attendees: Patrick Loftus, Jennifer King, Joanne Boyd

Meeting Summary and Key Points

Program and Partnership Updates

• Patrick shared that the CDC has restored prostate cancer screening questions to the **core** BRFSS module beginning with the 2026 survey. This will re-establish a consistent statewide screening baseline and support ongoing evaluation efforts as guidelines evolve.

• Jennifer highlighted the NCCN Patient Summit (Dec. 9), noting that a registration code allows the group to attend at no cost. Content will focus on cancer care needs of veterans and first responders.

• The Environmental Health Work Group's previously postponed firefighter cancer-risk webinar will be rescheduled. Updated details will be shared once finalized.

• Final preparations were completed for today's 2–3 PM provider event,
"From Risk Assessment to Action: A Provider Panel on Improving Prostate Cancer Screening in PA."
Slide updates and speaker materials have been incorporated. The session will open with the ACS CAN/Pfizer video, followed by moderator-led discussion and Q&A.

Screening, Systems Coordination, & Legislative Context

• Joanne provided updates on UPMC's internal work to advance PSA screening pathways within clinic settings. Clinics are supportive of offering screening, but challenges persist around consistent follow-up—particularly referral routes for urology, ultrasound, and MRI. Engagement is ongoing and progress is expected.

• No new movement on Senate or House prostate cancer screening bills due to the continuing state budget hold. The group anticipates that **early 2026** will offer the next viable window for renewed legislative momentum, particularly on the Senate side.

Other Updates

• Men's Health Work Group continues to close out the year with strong collaborative activity, including completion of two major webinars in 2024-2025 (one more patient-focused, one more provider-focused).
• Discussion emphasized the ongoing need for coordinated communication with partners and

legislators to maintain visibility for screening and men's health priorities.

• No additional updates were raised.

Next Steps

• Track BRFSS updates and prepare for 2026 data integration.

• Share NCCN Summit information with partners.

• Provide updates on the rescheduled firefighter webinar.

• Continue internal and cross-system coordination efforts on screening pathways.

Closing

Meeting adjourned with appreciation for continued collaboration.

Next Meeting: 12/17/2025