

8/20/2025

PCC Men's Health Work Group meeting, called by Patrick Loftus
10:00 am – 11:00 am

Attendees: Patrick Loftus, Jennifer King, Gregory Radick, Joanne Boyd

Meeting Summary and Key Points

Events, Discussion on Coordination & Outreach:

- Multiple upcoming events:
 - Blue Ribbon Cancer Coalition “eRacing” 5K/1-Mile Run/Walk (Sept. 14) — limited online visibility, unclear registration, searching on the website.
 - Black Men's Wellness Day (Aug. 23, Pittsburgh) — Johnson & Johnson and other partners involved.
 - Blackout PCa event (Sept. 21).
 - Prostate Cancer Screening Awareness Press Conference (Sept. 9, Harrisburg) — partners: Zero, ACS CAN, PCC; plans for arranging meetings with legislators.
- Flyers, save-the-dates, and email communications being finalized and circulated.

Prostate Cancer Screening Discussion:

- Programs require shared decision-making, consent, and follow-up logistics.
- Successful strategies: pre-registration, paired screenings (cholesterol, glucose), volunteer staffing, funding to cover hospital/physician costs.
- Challenges: turnout, scheduling conflicts, HIPAA compliance, funding limits.

Mobile Screening Vans:

- Can target rural and urban high-need areas using heat maps.
- Funding and volunteer coordination are key constraints.
- Collaboration with partners (UPMC, J&J) ongoing to identify opportunities.

Legislative Updates:

- Discussion on the companion bill on Senate side introduced for prostate cancer screening — it was noted this was the first in 20 years.
- High-risk focus to improve legislative feasibility.
- Awareness campaigns and advocacy efforts continue to support 2026 legislative session.

Next Meeting: 9/17/2025