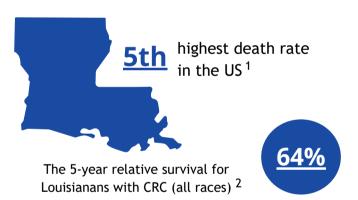


The Louisiana Colorectal Cancer Roundtable (LCCRT) is a coalition of health systems, providers, insurers, researchers, advocates, and community members dedicated to fighting the disease through awareness, screening promotion, comprehensive policy, and systems improvement.

## WHAT IS COLORECTAL CANCER?

Colorectal cancer (CRC) is a term used to classify cancer that starts in the colon or rectum. It typically begins as a noncancerous growth called a polyp and develops slowly between a period of 10-15 years.

# LOUISIANA COLORECTAL CANCER STATISTICS



2,419
CRC CASES FOUND IN LA EACH YEAR<sup>2</sup>
OF THESE CASES ARE LATE STAGE DIAGNOSES<sup>2</sup>

861
AVERAGE DEATHS IN LA EACH YEAR<sup>3</sup>

39%
LA MEDICAID

LA MEDICAID ENROLLEES UP TO DATE ON THEIR CRC SCREENING IN 2021

### **LCCRT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

Goal 1: Increase colorectal cancer screening rates in Louisiana to 80%

- By 2027, reduce late-stage diagnosis of colorectal cancer in Louisiana from 54.7% to 49.2%.
- By 2027, decrease incidence of colorectal cancer in Louisiana from 44.9 to 40.4 per 100,000
- By 2027, reduce colorectal cancer death rates in Louisiana from 16.4 to 8.9 per 100,000

Goal 2: Reduce and/or address health disparities associated with colorectal cancer

- By 2027, increase colorectal cancer screening rate among black males in Louisiana from 73.1% to 76.8%.
- By 2027, increase the colorectal cancer screening rates for [East Carroll Parish (54.2%), Tensas Parish (57.1%), Madison (57.7%), Evangeline Parish (58.2%), St. Mary parish (58.7%)] to 74.4%.

### **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

Through funding from the state legislature, LCCRT can better achieve these goals. Funding will help implement strategies such as public education, provider education and training, community health worker training, and targeting vulnerable populations.

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