Addressing Cancer Health Disparities: Understanding Drivers and Looking Toward Change

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• Addressing health disparities has been a national challenge for decades.1,2
• Moving beyond simple demographic differences, our understanding of health disparities has expanded to encompass a wide range of health determinants, such as social conditions and policy, individual risk behavior, and biologic/genetic pathways.3
• Health equity can only be achieved when we consider and address these multifactorial causes of disparities at multiple time points along the cancer care continuum and throughout the patient journey.3,4
• In oncology, the overarching goal of eliminating disparities is to reduce the incidence, morbidity, and mortality caused by cancer within vulnerable populations in the United States.5,6
• Patient navigation offers potential comprehensive strategies for the cancer care team to alleviate health disparities among their patients.7,8

HEALTH DISPARITIES

Addressing Cancer Health Disparities: Understanding Drivers and Looking Toward Change is a program for healthcare professionals that illustrates the disparate health outcomes that exist across the cancer care continuum. The program provides an understanding of the factors contributing to healthcare disparities, the effect on health outcomes, and potential approaches to overcoming barriers that may negate optimal cancer care in vulnerable populations.

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KEY TOPICS

• Determinants of Health and Health Disparities
• Vulnerable Populations and Contributing Factors
• Barriers and Consequences of Health Disparities
• Overcoming Health Disparities