Cancer Disparities: Causes and Evidence-Based Solutions

Cancer is not randomly distributed in the United States. Its incidence varies by race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, and other geographic and demographic factors. This volume, co-published with the American Cancer Society, is the first to examine the biological, racial, and socioeconomic factors that influence cancer incidence and survival. In addition, it presents 15 previously unpublished, evidence-based interventions to reduce and eliminate cancer disparities.

The book explains the nature, scope, and causes of cancer disparities across different populations and then presents unique programs proven to reduce such inequalities in the areas of cancer prevention, screening and early detection, treatment, and survivorship. They represent a variety of cancers, populations, and communities across the U.S. Descriptions of each intervention include tests of effectiveness and are written in sufficient detail for readers to replicate them within their own communities.

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