Triple Negative Breast Cancer (TNBC)

is an aggressive form of cancer that disproportionately impacts women who are medically underserved.

Increase funding to raise awareness of TNBC and improve early detection and survival.

THE FACTS ABOUT TRIPLE NEGATIVE BREAST CANCER (TNBC)

Women diagnosed with TNBC often have a poor prognosis and lower rates of survival.



THE DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT OF TNBC

Anybody can be diagnosed with TNBC, but Black and Hispanic communities experience significantly worse outcomes.



TNBC is **more common** in young women

Those **under the age of 40** diagnosed with breast cancer are **nearly twice as likely**

to have TNBC than women aged 50-64⁵



Black women are three times as likely

to be diagnosed with TNBC than non-Hispanic white women and **TNBC tumors tend to be larger**^{6,7}

Black patients are diagnosed later when treatment is less likely to be effective ⁷

Black women have the lowest survival rate at each stage of diagnosis⁸



Hispanic women are also diagnosed with the TNBC subtype more often

than white women

Hispanic women have a higher risk of mortality

from TNBC compared to non-Hispanic white women⁵

Triple Negative Breast Cancer

care is failing our mothers, daughters, family, and friends.

Most current clinical guidelines and medical practice patterns for breast cancer screenings fail to include the recognized risk factors for TNBC and disproportionately jeopardize the health and survival of Black and Hispanic women.

Race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, and insurance type are indicators for worse TNBC outcomes in the U.S.

93%

increased risk of death for women who are uninsured or Medicaid-insured compared to women with private insurance⁹

38%

increased risk for Black women to be diagnosed with Stage IV TNBC than white women¹⁰

57%

decrease in Black-white breast cancer mortality disparity if screening for Black women started at age 40¹¹

Black women and Hispanic women are

to receive guidelines adherent care for TNBC care and are

> more likely to die related to TNBC^{12,4}

THIS SITUATION IS UNACCEPTABLE AND IMMEDIATE CHANGES ARE NEEDED.

Policy Actions to Improve the Care, Outcomes and Survival of Women at Risk for TNBC



INCREASE EDUCATION

More education is urgently needed to raise TNBC risk awareness among Black, Hispanic, and young women and the providers who care for them



PROMOTE EARLY DIAGNOSIS

Black, Hispanic and young women at increased risk of late stage TNBC diagnosis must be identified by providers and have earlier access to screening services



INCREASE PATIENT AFFORDABILITY

Barriers in the form of patient cost-sharing requirements for diagnostic services and treatments must be removed to promote timely delivery of care



PROVIDE PATIENT NAVIGATION

These essential services must be reimbursed and consistently available to help women receive the most clinically appropriate care

INVEST IN TNBC SPECIFIC RESEARCH

More data is needed on the impact of TNBC on Black, Hispanic, and young women to drive reforms in guidelines and clinical recommendations



ADVANCE EQUITY IN CLINICAL TRIALS

Support stakeholders to increase diversity and participation in clinical trials

UTILIZE EQUITY METRICS

Incentivize providers to improve patient care through health equity-focused quality metrics developed to mitigate breast cancer disparities



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