

29 Organizations Applaud Continued Access to Colorectal Cancer Screenings

29 leading patient advocacy groups and healthcare organizations joined together to applaud the United States Supreme Court's decision in *Kennedy v. Braidwood Management* to uphold the constitutionality of the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) and in turn the provision of the Affordable Care Act that requires most private insurers cover recommended services without cost sharing, including colorectal cancer screening.

Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related death in the United States, with rates currently rising in younger adults. Many Americans have been provided with no-cost screening for colorectal cancer for more than 15 years, and it has proven to be a lifesaving tool to reduce mortality, and for some, prevent cancer altogether.

Between 2010 and 2016, eliminating cost sharing was associated with a 17% drop in colorectal cancer incidence, meaning this coverage prevented approximately 65,000+ of the 290,000 deaths that would have otherwise occurred. This is tremendous progress, but more work remains. Still far too many Americans die each year of colorectal cancer.

The Court's decision is a win for Americans and for public health, but continued access to timely colorectal cancer screening is critical. We urge the Administration to continue to uphold and build on the rigorous, data-driven work of the Task Force and ensure that it keeps up with scientific innovation to protect patient access to the full continuum of effective colorectal cancer screening.

Signed by the Colorectal Cancer Screening Policy Workgroup, including:

AliveandKick'n

Alliance for Women's Health and Prevention

American Cancer Society

American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

American College of Gastroenterology

American Gastroenterological Association

American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy

American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons

Big Mike's Bottom Line

Braintree Laboratories

California Colorectal Cancer Coalition

Cheeky Charity

Collaborative Group of the Americas on Inherited Gastrointestinal Cancer

Colon Cancer Coalition | Get Your Rear in Gear

Colon Cancer Prevention Project
Colon Cancer Stars
Colorectal Cancer Alliance
Exact Sciences
Fight Colorectal Cancer
FORCE: Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered
Freenome
Geneoscopy
Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education
GH Foundation
Guardant Health
Nevada Cancer Coalition
PALTOWN Development Foundation/COLONTOWN
Prevent Cancer Foundation
The Gloria Borges WunderGlo Foundation