COORECTA CANCER FACTS & FIGURES

Colorectal cancer is the **second leading cause** of cancer deaths among men and women in the U.S. Approximately **5%** of men and women will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer in their lifetime.

BILLION colorectal cancer treatment costs the U.S. each year.

Mortality

In January of 2013, the American Cancer Society reported a **30% decrease** in the mortality rate for colorectal cancer.



0%

Over **60% of deaths** from colorectal cancer could be avoided with screening.



The CDC created the Colorectal Cancer Control Program (CRCCP) and provided the necessary funds to establish colorectal cancer programs in **25 states** and 4 tribes across the United States.

Early Detection & Screening



- The Screen for Life: National Colorectal Cancer Action Campaign launched in 1999 to encourage men and women aged 50 years or older to be screened regularly for colorectal cancer.
- 20% of colon cancers are only detected after the disease has spread to distant organs.





The median age at diagnosis is 69 years old.

1 in 3 adults age 50-75 are **NOT** up-to-date with recommended colorectal cancer screening.



Incident rates for colon cancer in adults **aged 50 and older** have been **declining**, but rates in those **younger than 50 years** have been **increasing**.

Survival

The colon cancer death rate has been dropping since the mid-1980s, due in part to increased awareness and screening, and improved treatment options.



SOURCES: Colon Cancer Alliance (http://www.ccalliance.org) and Fight Colorectal Cancer (http://fightcolorectalcancer.org/ learn-about-colorectal-cancer/colorectal-cancer-statistics).